

Community Rallies to Help Family of Girl Fighting Brain Cancer

Team Delaney has taken a quote from Shakespeare to describe how two and a half year old Delaney Newton is fighting cancer: "And though she be but Little, she is Fierce!"

Delaney was diagnosed with a brain tumor on Sept. 10 of this year. Just two days later, she underwent a 12-hour brain surgery by a team of twelve doctors and

nurses at Oakland's Kaiser Hospital. The doctors were able to remove the entire tumor mass in the lower back part of her brain. The subsequent pathology report revealed that tumor was indeed cancerous.

She is currently undergoing chemotherapy.

Her uncle, Travis Newton, is coordinating efforts to help the family. He said her

recovery will be a slow process. "The doctors are happy with the progress," he said. He added that along with the chemotherapy, she is undergoing physical therapy to deal with muscle loss after being in bed for a month.

Fund-raising is underway to help Delaney and her parents manage the unexpected expenses that they will incur while she is undergoing che-

in the city. Delaney has a younger brother, Merlin, who turned one the day she was admitted to the hospital. Her father is a firefighter with the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department, which has been offering support to the family. Fellow firefighters shaved their heads in support of Delaney.

Her mother, Janice, will be taking a leave of absence from work to help with the ongoing care and treatment for Delaney.

Both Merlin and Janice continue to be by her side 24 hours a day.

The following events have been scheduled to assist the family:

- Oct. 23rd Swirl and Tap 25 event/fundraiser
- Nov. 2-3 Holiday Photo Session fundraiser with "In Between the Glass"
- Nov. 13 Sauced event and fundraiser
- Nov. 17 Classic Images Cut for a Cure fundraiser
- Nov. 18 Strings fundraiser
- Nov. 23 Delaney Fitness Challenge

Details can be found online for shirts, events and how to make donations: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Team-Delaney-Home-Page/219289764902599> or <http://www.youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/team-delaney/92222>



Delaney Newton underwent brain surgery to remove a cancerous tumor.



mother, physical therapy and rehabilitation as she goes between Kaiser Oakland Hospital and UCSF.

Travis said his brother, Merlin, Delaney's father, would like to tell the community. "We are really thankful for the community and its outpouring of support. The community we live in is amazing with the support and prayers we've

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Lab Receives Awards

The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) has awarded 18 Sustainability Awards for innovation and excellence to its national laboratories and sites.

The awards recognize exemplary individual and team performance in advancing sustainability objectives through innovative and effective programs and projects that increase energy, water and fleet efficiency and reduce greenhouse gases, pollution and waste. NNSA has conducted an internal environmental stewardship awards program for more than a decade.

The Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory received the following recognitions:

Best in Class Awards:

Waste Reduction and Pollution Prevention: Active Risk Management at LLNL's National Ignition Facility (NIF) Results in Lower Consumption and Less Waste. Recognizes innovative and effective waste-reduction programs. LLNL's NIF exceeded targets in the SSPP.

Innovation and Holistic Approach: Getting Connected to Build a Holistic Waste Reduction Program. Recognizes innovative methods and cross-disciplinary research at the site level to support sustainability goal attainment.

Environmental Stewardship Awards:

Water: LLNL's Sustainable Landscape. Recognizes an integrated approach to water resource management and addresses all water types as potential resources (waste, storm, grey, etc.) and identifies opportunities for reuse.

ACE Extends Comment Period

The scoping comment period for the ACEforward project, which was set to end on Friday, October 18, has been extended

Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Public comments on the scope of the environmental review will now be accepted through November 4, 2013. Comments may be submitted in writing to Dan Leavitt, Manager of Regional Initiatives, ATTN: ACEforward Program EIR/EIS, SJRRC/ACE Headquarters 949 East Channel Street, Stockton, CA 95202, or via email with the Subject line "ACEforward EIR/EIS" to: aceforward@acerail.com. Or to Ms. Stephanie Perez, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Railroad Policy and Development, Federal Railroad Administration, 200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, Telephone: (202) 493-0388.

Hacienda Brings in Businesses

Hacienda Business Park in Pleasanton is reporting absorption of over 300,000 square feet of space in the first three quarters of 2013, continuing the steady trend seen over the last two years.

"Continued reductions in vacancy have been the hallmark of park activity since 2011," said James Paxson, Hacienda's general manager. "Even with some occasional slowing of activity earlier this year, Hacienda is poised to end the year with significant gains in tenancy."

Major leases in 2013 have been initiated by companies in a variety of business segments, including Bio-Rad (biomedical), Iron Planet's relocation (online equipment sales), Spigit (social innovation software), and Zoho (online business services).

Foothill Interchange Changes

Road construction to modify the I-580 interchange at Foothill Road has begun. The freeway on and off ramps at Foothill



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