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### Searching For An Aunt

Kris McCarthy has a list of leads from here to Detroit but so far, nothing is adding up.

Apparently, no one remembers an infant named Bernice June, who was reportedly given away to a neighbor when McCarthy's grandparents, Jasper and Rose Foster, parted in 1927.

McCarthy's mother, Ann Hughes, last saw her sister at that time. Today, Hughes' daughter is helping her mother to search for an aunt that McCarthy has never seen.

In 1927, McCarthy's natural grandparents, the Fosters, separated in Detroit. Jasper Foster, who assumed an alias and started a second family, took the oldest daughter, three-year-old Marguerite, to live with relatives in Kentucky.

According to stories the Hughes' have heard, Rose Foster ran away with a Japanese vaudeville troupe, and gave the youngest daughter, Bernice June, away.

Ann Hughes - born Bonnie Jean Foster 16 months earlier - was abandoned in the family's apartment, until neighbors found her two days later.

In 1982, she was reunited with her sister - now Marguerite Axtel.

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Kris McCarthy

The story on the Hacienda Business Park Owners' Association, in the Oct. 28 issue, stated that the association provides a fund-raising service for the business park. While the HBPOA is involved in many community events, the association is funded by the land owners within the business park, and does not take part in fundraising for either the business park or any community organization.



Della Seymour holds the lottery ticket that won her \$5,000.

# A Green Christmas For Lottery Winner

Della Seymour's Christmas tree will be unusually crowded this year, thanks to the California Lottery.

Over the weekend of Oct. 26, she bought five lottery tickets. The first three yielded \$2 each. The fourth ticket was a loser. But the fifth came up singing to the tune of \$5000.

The 26-year-old Pleasanton secretary said she's never won anything until now.

"It really was exciting," she said. "After I scraped off the last number, I asked my mother if I saw it right. Then I screamed, my mom screamed and my husband joined in?"

Since lottery tickets went on sale in late October, Della estimates that she has purchased about 15 of the scratch off instant winner tickets. She bought three \$2 winners at the Rincon Avenue AM-PM Mini Market in Livermore. On Sunday, she bought two more at the Brentwood Lucky's store near her home.

"If I think of it while I'm running errands, I'll buy a few tickets," she said. "After I bought those two at Lucky's, I went home and fiddled around and I forgot about the tickets. It was sitting there in my purse all that time."

She appears to have her excitement under control on the job but she can't help asking (a little breathlessly) via telephone to her husband, "Did you get the check?"

According to Al Frazier at the San Francisco lottery district office, winners of \$100 or more will probably have to wait about two to three weeks for the money to arrive in the mail from Sacramento.

He said Seymour is not eligible for the spin off game that could yeild up to \$2 million in cash prizes. Only winners of \$100 are eligible for a chance to play, he said.

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Award Of Merit

# Park Building Receives Prestigious Award

Hacienda Center, a 280,000-squarefoot office building situated on a 16.4-acre site at Hacienda Business Park, has received the prestigious "Award of Merit" for superior professional accomplishment from the Northern California Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Archi-

The landscape design is the work of the San Francisco office of POD, Inc., a nationally known firm specializing in planning, design and landscape architecture.

Hacienda Center is a development of The Prudential Insurance Company of America and was designed by Fee + Munson Architects.

The landscape area of Hacienda Center comprises 28 percent of the 16.4-acre site and includes six plazas, three fountains, informal redwood groves, multiple seating areas and 12 landscaped roof terraces.

In addition to providing an environment for people at the ground level, the landscaping is intended to be seen from open terraces on the third and fifth floors.

Hacienda Center sits on a triangular site surrounded by three major roads.

The landscape design for the project focuses on contrast and variety. There is a soft, shady side of the building composed of curving walls, walks and berms amid grooves of redwoods and flowering trees.

The sunny side is more geometric,

featuring angles, skewed forms, formal tree plantings, and a distinct fountain at each of three entry plazas.

The landscape design solution for Hacienda Center is treated as a landscape painting, to be viewed with contemplation, interest and variety from the many vantage points of the fivestory towers.

Access for the handicapped is convenient with plazas sloped gradually to meet flush with the drive aisles.

A special system of tree planting also extends into the parking lot to mark visitor parking stalls, in addition to at least one tree per six car spaces in the outlying parking areas.

On the ground level it provides an environment for people to enjoy. It offers choices - intimate and public spaces; sunny and shady spaces; grass for lying, benches and steps for sitting; quiet environments and active fountains - all intended to enrich the working environment.



Hacienda Center received an award for superior professional accomplishment.





In My Opinion is a bi-monthly column featuring the opinions of guest editors. This column is by Penee L. Field, a licensed Marriage, Family therapist in private practice in Pleasanton. She works frequently with corporations consulting in the areas of job stress, productivity, and team

Why is it at this time of the year of expressing good will, we often feel pressured, uptight, lonely and de-

Many of us normally live our lives in the fast lane, dividing time between work, family and personal responsibilities. Added pressures of Christmas shopping, traffic congestion and parties stretch our energies and spirits to the limit.

"Sometimes, in the rush, we do not take the time to assess our priorities, needs and the quality of our lives."

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Sometimes, in the rush, we do not take the time to assess our priorities, needs and the quality of our lives. It is all the more important to slow down and take care of yourself.

Office Parties: Drink very lightly and nibble sparingly on rich foods. Watch how many nights you are out late and how many obligations you take

At parties, be sure to have "home bases" (people you can relax and easily talk with). After meeting new people or whenever needing a moment's breather, find one of your home bases!

Pay attention to how tired you're getting. Interacting takes energy, and noise produces stress.

#### "Delegate responsibilities and do not take on any more than you can handle."

Before driving, be sure you are alert. Take a few moments to relax. Grasp a couple of deep breaths (inhaling to the count of seven and exhaling to the count of seven) before starting the car.

Time Management: Plan Christmas shopping ahead of time. Make lists. Visualize what items the person might enjoy getting from you or if you are shopping for party items visualize the party-food, drinks, accessories and decorations.

Work: Pay extra attention to work effectiveness. Manage your time. Delegate responsibilities and do not take on any more than you can handle.

While at work, give full attention to what needs to be done to accomplish the job fully. Worrying about gift shopping or fantasizing about a party takes time away from the job at hand, making you more rushed and ineffective.

Use lunch, or breaks, to take an invigorating, short walk alone or with a friend.

Before leaving home for shopping, or parties, give yourself a couple of quiet moments, repeating the breathing process described under "Office Par-

Family and Friends: As the pace quickens, quality time and connection becomes more crucial personally.

Often, under pressure and stress, friendship is the first "extra" we drop. It does not require a lot of time to maintain friendships.

Keep in touch with people whom you can express your intimate feelings with, and who are willing listeners. Someone to share laughs with is crucial.

"Keep in touch with people you can express your intimate feelings with, and are willing listeners."

Often, we don't want to "bother" others, so we do not call on them for

a couple of moments of shared friendship. Take a break in a busy routine to treat yourself; it will revive you immeasurably and the holidays will seem more joyous.

#### "Much of people's feeling lonely and depressed during the holidays . . . keeping a feverish pace."

Much of people's feeling lonely and depressed during the holidays has to do with keeping a feverish pace. We expect others to recognize our needs rather than asking for assistance.

Make this a truly joyous holiday season for yourself. Be aware of the pressures and expectations being placed upon you by others and yourself.

#### "Take a break in a busy routine to treat yourself . . ."

Gently, but firmly, set realistic limits on how much you undertake. Stop to acknowledge each item completed. Slow down, especially when you think vou "can't."

Smile and look at the people to whom you wish Happy Holidays.

Remember the meaning of the season and give joy, friendship and good tidings to yourself as well as to others.

- Penee L. Field



Anita Brownson, Heidi Porter, Denise Gerard and Wendy Harris are the friendly faces waiting to serve you at Amador Valley Savings and Loan at Hacienda Plaza in the park.

Designer Showcase

# 'Home For The Holidays'

Evergreen Branch of Children's Hospital is presenting a designer showcase entitled "Home for the Holidays" from Nov. 16 to the 24, at Century House, 2401 Santa Rita Road.

The designer showcase will feature: dining room by a. christian design; fireplace room by Design Works, Ltd.; bedroom by Dried and Tied and By Chance or By Appointment; bedroom by Feifer's Color Center; main room by Interiors Two.

Jan Wilson will decorate the kitchen and Nita Thomas will adorn the upstairs landing.

The Photo Plant will supply greenery to the entire house and Mother Nature's will trim the porch

On Saturday, November 16, from 7-9:30 p.m., a by-invitation only champagne preview will be held.

Doors open to the public on Sunday, November 17 from 1 to 5 p.m.

The public is also invited to view "Home for the Holidays" during the week from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and on Nov. 19, 20 and 21 from 7-9 p.m.

On Nov. 23 and 24, Century House will be open from 1-5 p.m.

Tickets at \$2.50 per person may be purchased at the door or by calling Mrs. Frank Brandes at 846-9275 or Mrs. Ray Larson at 846-0813.

For further information on the event call Mrs. Dean Wagermant at 462-1330 or Mrs. Henry Jensen at 846-0182.



Judy Mayhew, owner of The Plant Place, shows off a few of the decorations she will be displaying at Century House.

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Carolyn Sandberg puts the finishing touches on a sandwich.

Personality Profile

# Worked Her Way To The Top

Dressed in jeans and running shoes, Carolyn Sandberg doesn't look that much different from the eighteen-yearold students who work under her.

In fact, the 29-year-old general manager for Togo's Eatery in Pleasanton could be mistaken for one of the under-21 crowd.

"I have a real hard time explaining that I'm the manager, said Sandberg, who feels that she shouldn't have to wear a different outfit to set herself apart from the staff. Coupled with her youthful appearance, the image has raised more than few eyebrows.

"If I can't come in and make sandwiches, wipe the counters and clean the toilets like everyone else, then why will they want to?" she said.

Her part-time staff of 25 is made up of a majority of high school students. Sandberg remembers when she was struggling to make grades and work part time.

"I try to be sensitive to their needs," she said. "If it's a weeknight, I try not to schedule a student on a late shift."

At 19, Sandberg had studied journalism at California State University in Hayward. When her parents decided to move back to her native Fort Wayne, Ind., she was determined to remain in the Bay area.

She dropped out of school and took up waitressing full time at the Hungry Hunter in Pleasanton. Today, less than three miles away, she is general manager for a Togo's franchise. "The restaurant industry is a little like journalism," she said. "You never see the same people or know what to expect once the doors open."

Over an eight-year period, the energetic Sandberg worked her way up from waitress to bookkeeper to assistant manager, and finally, manager of the Hungry Hunter.

"I just kept asking for more responsibility," she said. "Until I was doing everything."

Through a friend, Sandberg met Dan Pearson, owner and operator of three Togo's franchises in San Leandro, San Jose and most recently, Pleasanton.

In September, she was hired to run the Pleasanton store. The 2700-square foot sandwich shop at 3120 Santa Rita Road features 30 different sandwich combinations in three sizes, plus a beer and wine bar.

"In a small town like Pleasanton, you have to work with the community," Pearson said. "I wanted a local person to run the place. She's doing a great job."

To find out about any unsatisfactory areas in the food or the service, Sandberg leaves no stone unturned. She asks her friends to drop in for lunch and later drills them on everything from toilet paper in the restrooms to dust on the shelves.

"This is no fly-by-night operation," she said. "If it isn't satisfactory, I want to know about it."



#### The 'Big Cheese' Wins Mayor's Award

Local businessman George Spiliotopoulos, a Greek immigrant who runs a landmark Pleasanton business, has won the 1985 Mayor's Award.

Mayor Ken Mercer presented the award to Spiliotopoulos on Nov. 4 for 20 years of community service.

Best known as the owner of the Cheese Factory on Main Street, Spiliotopoulos served on the City Council from 1968 to 1972, the Alameda County Planning Commission from 1981 to 1985 and the city Industrial General Plan Review Committee. In addition, he founded a benefit golf tournament, and is active on the

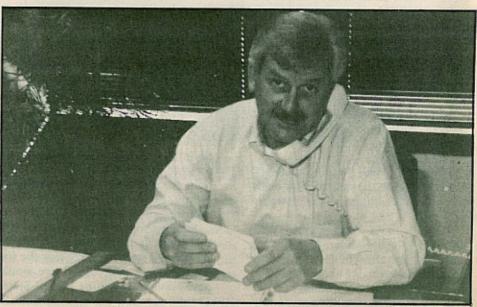
Pleasanton/Tulancingo Sister City Committee.

The mayor's award was established in 1971 to recognize outstanding service to Pleasanton.

"George has done a lot to make Pleasanton what it is today," Mercer said.

Born in Greece, Spiliotopoulous, 45, moved to Pleasanton at age 12. Working for his Uncle Dimitrios "Jimmy" Voultsides, he later took over the Cheese Factory, which his uncle started in 1920.

Spiliotopoulos is a graduate of Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. He and his wife, Renee, have a son and daughter.



George Spiliotopoulos, Mayor Ken Mercer's choice for the 1985 Mayor's Award.



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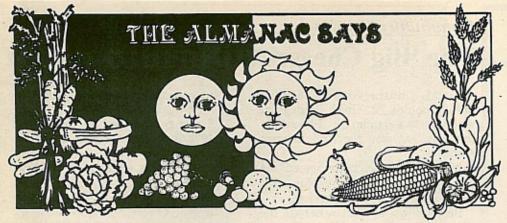
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Since the sun is 93 million miles away, a cruise to our nearby star at 55 mph would take several lifetimes, actually 193 years.

In the Milky Way there are about 100 billion stars like the sun, but how many is a billion? A billion is one thousand million

Is your brain boggled yet? Well, that's just the beginning. Astronomers know of literally "billions" of other galaxies, all averaging about 100 billion stars equivalent to the sun.

Each day about 4 trillion megawatt-

hours of solar energy reaches the outer atmosphere of our planet. Less than half of that reaches the surface, but even that amounts to about 28,000 times the level of energy consumed on our planet for all commercial purposes. The sunlight that falls each day on the U.S. roads alone contain twice as much energy as the burning of fossil fuels throughout the world in the same period.

And what about those mysterious black holes? A black hole is actually a star that has collapsed in on itself, shrunk to a tiny miniature of its former self. The black hole shrinks, but doesn't lose any mass so that the smaller it shrinks, the "heavier" it feels. Soon the star doesn't have the power to resist any longer and not even the light from the star has the energy to escape. So, the light doesn't radiate, and we can't see it.

Stars give out a phenomenal amount of energy. If there were some way to collect and store all the energy the sun emits in just one second, we would have enough to last the United States 13 million years. How astronomical!



Pat Knickerbocker, claims processing supervisor at SAFECO, listens to Paula Spitzer, senior citizen activist, explain her volunteer duties as phone correspondent. SAFECO donated \$2,000 to the Senior Support Program.

#### Safeco \$2,000 Donation Helps Support Senior Program

Many seniors need help in locating and coordinating resources or negotiating the entry requirements and "red tape" of certain agencies. Because of the generous contributions received from these donors, the Senior Support Program can now provide this service. The benefit to frail elderly Valley residents is an improved quality lifestyle.

Persons wishing further information regarding services of the Senior Support Program or those wishing to make donations may call 462-7643.

Officials at the Valley Community Health Center are pleased to announce the receipt of donations from two Valley corporations and The Tri-Valley Community Fund. Funds received will be used to provide case management services to frail, elderly homebound valley residents who are clients of the Center's Senior Support Program.

The Tri-Valley Community Fund and SAFECO Insurance Company each contributed \$2,000.

Additionally, Pacific Bell contributed \$750.



Charlie Stuller listens to former astronaut John O'Donnell explain a planet's rotation.

# Former Astronaut Urges Careers In Science

Frequent trips between Earth and other planets in the solar system will be as practical as driving a truck someday, former astronaut John O'Donnell told a group of Amador Valley High School students recently.

"The space shuttle is nothing more than a truck," said O'Donnell, who presently sits on the East Bay Regional Park District board. "It's big. It's really kind of ugly but it does the job."

About 50 Amador Valley junior and senior physics students gathered in the library for O'Donnell's speech. The 58-year-old former astronaut spoke on his participation in early 1950s NASA space program experiments. He urged the students to consider careers in engineering and other science-related fields.

"Space is not for everybody," he said.
"But supplying (space colonies) is where the money is going to be.

"You don't have to be a superperson to get involved," he continued. "Driv-, .....ing on the Nimitz freeway is much

harder than anything I've ever done in space."

O'Donnell's address was part of the high school's effort to promote interest in scientific careers, according to instructor Tricia Ermak.

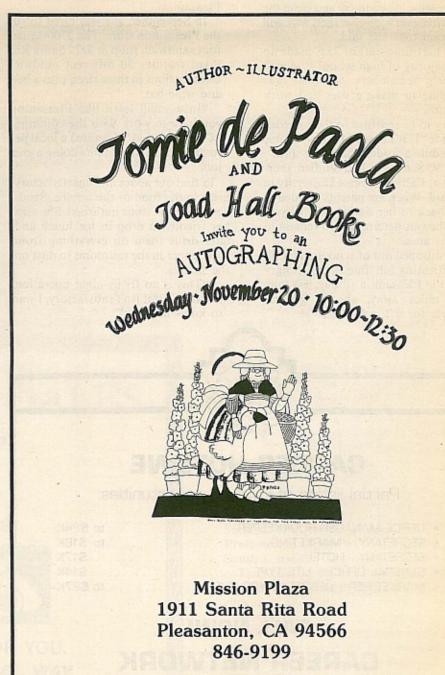
"We have guest speakers come in frequently to speak on a variety of subjects," she said. "It's more interesting for the students to hear a lecture by a professional in his particular field."

During his 55-minute speech, O'Donnell outlined how various occupations would fit easily into a spaceoriented society.

"If punishment was through a hatch with no space suit," he told the group, "We could deter an awful lot of crime."

Alternately, the students expressed interest, amusement and skepticism at O'Donnell's comments.

Afterward, he said, "We could have had colonies in space years ago, but governments think it's more fun to be in control. Unfortunately, the average person also believes that military strength is more important."



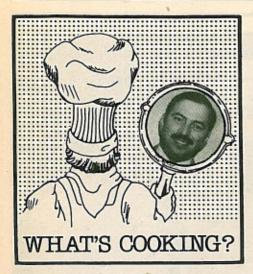
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How does braised lion meat grab you? Too strong? Then how about something a little lighter — stewed hippo, perhaps?

These are some of the more exotic dishes that Dan Catanio has been asked to prepare during his career as a hotel restaurant chef.

The more outrageous the dish, the better for Catanio. The executive chef for Pleasanton's new Hilton Hotel prefers to do things in a very big way.

His creations — a five-foot-high solid chocolate egg and a 23-pound steamed lobster — have been wheeled out of kitchen doors at the Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock, Ark. to delight hundreds of hotel guests.

"Seeing other people's mouths hanging open is a good feeling," he said. "I'm into displaying culinary art."

Whether he is making a cup of soup or carving one of his massive ice sculptures for a banquet, he said creativity is always his rule of thumb.

"Presentation is a special thing," he said. "But you have to be careful not to overdo creative displays."

Recently arrived from Arkansas, Catanio will supervise the Hilton's kitchen staff of 22. The hotel and restaurant on Johnson Drive is scheduled to open in late November. He said the dining room is equipped to handle banquets of up to 360 people.

A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America in New York, 32-year-old Catanio trained at Manhattan's Waldorf Astoria. His forte is a finelyhoned skill with an ice pick.

He once created a two-ton ice sculpture that graced the table at an inaugural celebration for Arkansas' Gov. Bill Clinton. Fashioned out of 48-100-pound blocks of ice, the 12-foot

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long sculpture of the Arkansas Capitol stood seven feet high and required three-and-a-half weeks to produce.

A native of Stockton, Catanio said he became interested in a food-service career while working at his father's butcher shop, and later, he worked in a nearby Italian delicatessan.

In Pleasanton, Catanio has tentative plans to work his culinary wizardry on a massive chocolate Easter egg. He said the display will most likely involve the community.

The following recipe was developed by the staff at the Waldorf Astoria during Catanio's tenure.

"This is one of my favorites," he says. "It's as much fun to cook as it is to eat."

#### **BOUILLABAISSE MORSEILLAISE**

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1 lb mussels 3 leeks, chopped

2 large onions, chopped

3 large tomatoes (peeled and chopped)

2 sprigs of parsley, chopped

1 bay leaf

1 pinch of saffron

1 pinch of thyme

1 tsp. salt

1/2 T freshly ground pepper

1/2 cup olive oil

1 pint dry white wine

Water

Toasted French bread brushed with garlic butter

Have your fish dealer split and clean the lobsters. Cut fish into 1 to 1 1/2-inch slices. Cut lobster and eel into pieces of about the same size. Have your fish dealer clean the crabs, remove their backs, crack the claws, and cut each in half. Wash the mussels and remove the beard (the gathering of vegetation on the shell).

Place the leeks, onions, tomatoes, and parsley in the bottom of a large heavy kettle. Sprinkle seasoning over surface. Arrange the lobster, fish and crab over the vegetables. Pour oil and wine over them and add enough mild fish stock to cover. Bring to boil over high heat and allow to boil 12 to 15 minutes. Add the mussels and cook until they open. Serve in soup bowls with garlic toast.

Clutching a shaggy bear, seven-year-old Jenny Carr found a shady spot to enjoy lunch during "Good Bear Day" at Walnut Grove Elementary School. The stuffed bears were invited to accompany Walnut Grove second grade students to school in celebration of President Teddy Roosevelt's birthday on Oct. 27, 1858. Roosevelt was the 26th President of the United States.

#### Widowed Men And Women

The monthly business and planning meeting of the Widowed Men and Women of Northern California will be held November 18 in the Hacienda Business Park Community Center, 4637 Chabot Drive, Suite 107, Pleasanton, at 7:30 p.m.

Planning meetings are held on the third Monday of each month, birthday dinners on the first Saturday evening, game night on the second Saturday evening.

A trip to the DeYoung Museum in

Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, will be held on Sunday, Nov. 24. For additional information, call

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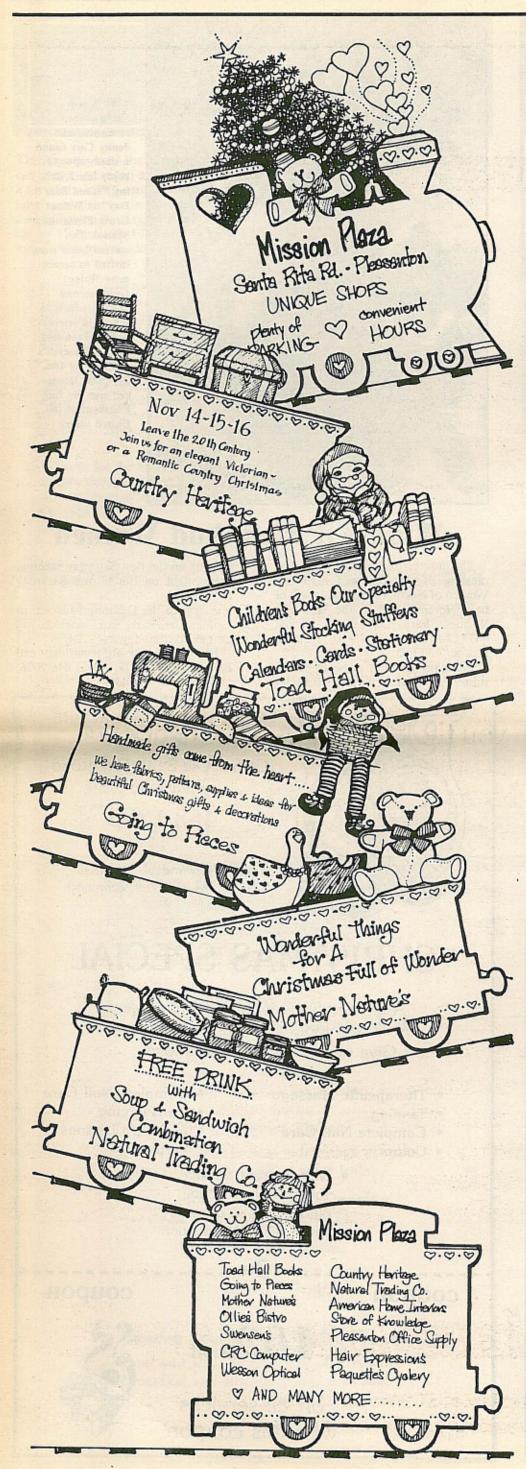
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Jim Krause, President of the Tri-Valley Community Fund and Myrt Jones, General Manager of Viacom Cablevision, East Bay System, examine a contribution chart for the local group. They add a \$2,500 donation from Viacom Cablevision to their projected goal.

## **Trips For Teens**

The recreation agencies of Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore and San Ramon, in conjunction with Rainbow Travel Service are offering an excursion to Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm, for teens 13 to 17 years old on Nov. 29, 30, and Dec. 1, 1985.

The fee is \$125 per youth, and will include: staffing from local recreation departments, round trip commercial bus transportation, two nights lodging and entrance with unlimited rides at both amusement parks. Cost

Features Salad Bar

does not include meals or souvenirs.

For more information, call the Pleasanton Recreation Department, 847-8160.

A mandatory parent, youth and chaperone meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Teens and parents registered in this excursion must attend. This will be a time for everyone to become acquainted, and questions and concerns may be addressed. Location of meeting will be announced.

# Family Owned Restaurant

Wienerschnitzel, the well-known fast-food franchise, celebrated the Grand Opening of its new restaurant at 5681 Gibraltar Drive in Hacienda Business Park, Saturday, Nov. 2.

Owners Barbara and Lavor Neuenswander, long-time Tri-Valley residents, scheduled a fun-filled day including 25-cent hot dogs, the antics of "Wienerdog," the official mascot of the restaurant chain, and the raffling off of prizes, including tickets for dinner at Pedro's Restaurant & Cantina and tickets for the local stage production of "The King And I." KKIQ disc jockey Scott Lewis was on hand broadcasting from the premises.

The warmly furnished eatery

features plush carpeting, accent plants, woodwork and brass, and tile table tops. The salad bar is a first for the Wienerschnitzel chain.

The Neuenswanders have owned the Wienerschnitzel in Livermore for 15 years, and own another Wienerschnitzel in Milpitas.

"This is a family owned and operated business," said Lavor, whose three restaurants are all managed by family members. The Hacienda Wienerschnitzel will be managed by his daughter and son-in-law, Sherri and Troy Witt, both Pleasanton residents.

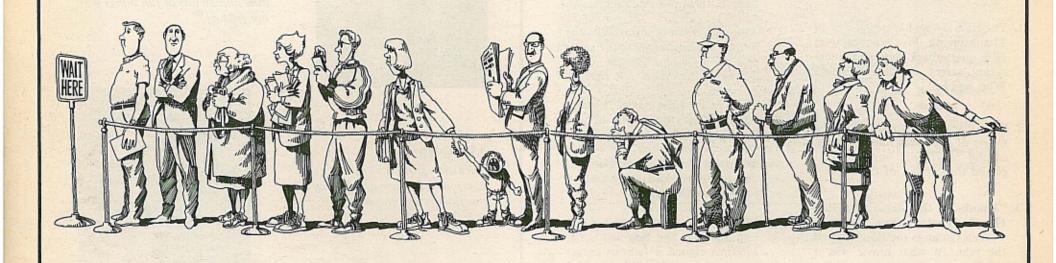
Business hours are daily from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Breakfast is also served daily.



Troy Witt, manager, Lavor Neuenswander, owner, and Mark Smith, assistant manager of Wienerschnitzel in Hacienda Plaza in Hacienda Business Park celebrate their recent opening.



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# By Ben Fernandez

Thanksgiving is on the horizon and we can expect to eat too much and spend a lot of time with people we may not have wanted to see in the first place. Just to lighten the day, let's have a little bit of fun with Pilgrims, Indians and turkeys, of all kinds.

- 1. The NFL always has two games on Thanksgiving. Five years ago, an NFL quarterback threw five touchdown passes on Thanksgiving. Who was he?
- 2. "The Plymouth Adventure" was a movie of 1952 that told the story of the Mayflower voyage. Who played the captain of the ship?
- 3. "Thanks for the Memory" is Bob Hope's signature song. The song won an Oscar as the Best Song of the year. In what movie was it

- 4. Who sang the song with Bob Hope?
- 5. Who were the two stars of the movie "Cold Turkey?"
- 6. What was the name of the first baby born in the new colonies?
- 7. Although it is not a tradition any longer, for several years the same two NFL teams played every Thanksgiving. Who were they?
- 8. What dance craze of the 20's and 30's utilized the name of the Thanksgiving bird?
- 9. What famous story of Colonial days told of the love of John Alden for Priscilla Mullens?
- 10. While sitting offshore before setting foot on the new land, the Pilgrims signed a famous agreement on board ship. What was it?

#### ON THE STREET "What Is Your Favorite Time Of Year?"



Dan Leja - "Summer. Because there's no school! Vacation is fun because I can stay out later and do lots of fun things with my friends."

Marietta Geis — "Spring. Because summer is coming. Everything is green and I enjoy all the flowers in bloom."





Carol Starr — "Christmas. I love the way it smells! Christmas is a cozy concept. It is a time to reaffirm strong bonds and show loved ones just how much they're loved."



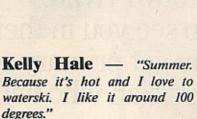
Dr. John Rhodenbaugh

"All year long! Moving to California in 1958 changed my mind about seasons. I like them all. I'm from Ohio, and In Ohio there's only two seasons - July and the rest of the year!"





Fred Wood — "Summer. Because it's vacation time and I can go camping. I'm a teacher so I have the whole summer off."





# **Chapters Sponsor Silent Auction**

Golden Acorn and Charlie Brown, two chapters of Children's Home Societies, will sponsor a silent auction on Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Veterans' Memorial Building, Pleasanton.

Admission tickets at \$2.50 per donation, will be available at the door.

For further information on the event call 829-2450 (days) or 846-2521 after 5:30 p.m.



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- 8. Turkey Trot
- 9. "The Courtship of Miles Standish"
- 10. The Mayflower Compact

Years Of Service

# Fair People Receive Blue Ribbon Awards

James "Jimmy" Georgis and Hugh "Charley" Miller, who have a combined 70 years as fair-time firemen, and Oakland sports writer Jack Menges are the 1985 Alameda County Fair recipients of the Western Fairs Association Blue Ribbon award.

The recipients were honored at a recent banquet hosted by the Alameda County Fair Association Board of Directors. The Western Fairs Blue Ribbon awards recognize individuals or organizations for their dedicated support to local fairs.

Directors also presented the annual Bill Ralph Award for an outstanding agriculture exhibit to Mary Ann Gregg, advisor for the Pleasanton Regional Occupational Program (ROP) at Amador Valley High School.

### **Group Study Exchange Team**

The Pleasanton Rotary Club is seeking young men between the ages of 25 and 35 to apply for positions on its Rotary District 517 Group Study Exchange Team.

The five-member team will travel to Sicily and Malta in March or early April for a six week, all-expense-paid trip sponsored by the Rotary Foundation.

The purpose of the tour is to promote world peace and understanding through international exchanges, according to Pleasanton Rotary President Bill Lenson.

The men selected by the Pleasanton Rotary Club will be judged against other applicants from Rotary clubs in district 517, which is made up of Alameda, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties.

Applicants are required to: live or work in the district he will represent, be between 25 to 35 years old, work in the same occupation for two consecutive years and not be a Rotarian's

Before departing, members will undergo a training program, including Berlitz language studies.

While there, the team will be hosted by the Sicily/Malta Rotary District 233. History, politics, commerce and various other aspects of the two Mediterranean island cultures will be studied by the exchange team.

In the past, Pleasanton Rotarians and District 517 have hosted exchange groups from Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Pakistan, India, Japan, Sweden, Australia, Switzerland, Brazil and a women's team from the Netherlands.

This year, more than 170 teams will be exchanged worldwide, including several women's teams.

For more application information, call John Stevens at 462-2333, or Jarrett Johnson at 462-2265.

A Flower Arranging series "Fun To Be Creative," will be offering a harvest workshop through the Pleasanton Department of Parks and Community Services, on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Amador Recreation Center, 4455 Black Avenue.

A "Horn of Plenty" holiday centerpiece will be created.

Students are to bring wire cutters and scissors to class.

The instructor is T. W. Walder. For more information contact the Pleasanton Recreation Department at 847-8160.

The award, presented in the name of the former long-time Fair Association director, goes to an entry which best typifies the department's theme, "Agriculture: The Challenges of 1985."

The Amador Valley High exhibit was a display of 50 kinds of nuts, herbs and dry flowers depicting pure country simplicity. Ralph was present when Director Rom Kitayama presented a plaque to Gregg.

Menges, who has covered racing at the Alameda County Fair for 32 years, was presented a plaque by Director Dick McCarthy.

Georgis and Miller are familiar faces at the Alameda County Fair. Last summer was Georgis' 40th anniversary as chief of the Fair Fire Department, and Miller's 30th anniversary.

The two men also worked together on the Pleasanton Volunteer Fire Department until it phased out in 1975; Georgis served 42 years, and Miller, 25.

Georgis is a retired Pleasanton postal employee. Miller works for General Electric at the Vallecitos Nuclear Plant in Pleasanton.

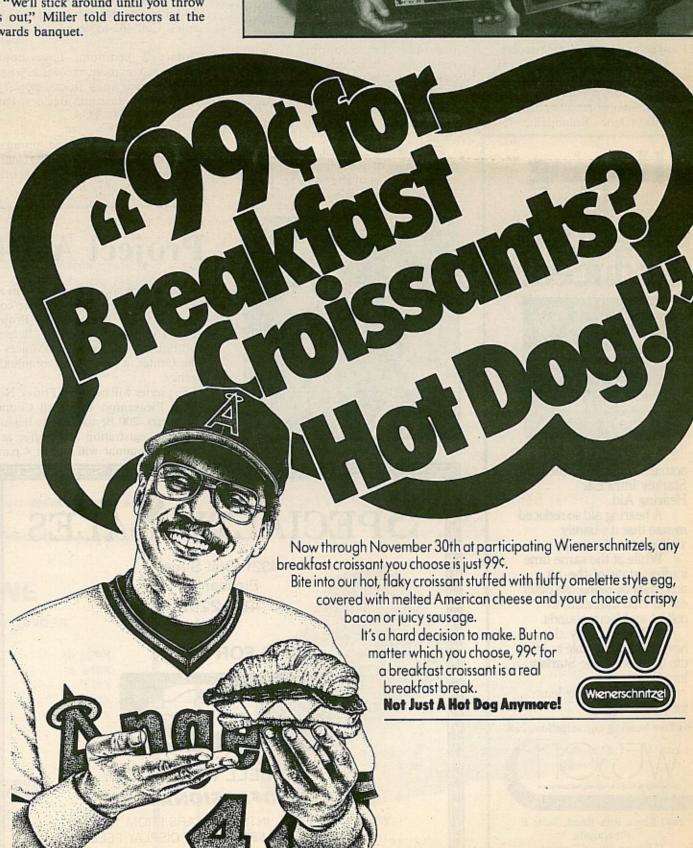
Director Bill Gale lauded Georgis and Miller for their steadfast contributions to the Alameda County Fair.

"We'll stick around until you throw us out," Miller told directors at the awards banquet.

Mary Ann Gregg (right) holds the Bill Ralph Award she received for an outstanding agriculture exhibit. Below Jack Menges and James "Jimmy" Georgis are recipients of the Western Fairs Association Ribbon Award.









Drs. John Close, Patrick Walter and Selwyn Lee celebrate the grand opening of Close Chiropractic Center at 5674 Stoneridge Drive. The three chiropractors will work as a team.

### Christmas Gala At Stoneridge

Holiday Reflections VI, a semiformal dance which benefits the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council, Pleasanton Library League, Valley Memorial Hospital Foundation, Livermore-Amador Symphony Guild, and Pleasanton Girls' Soccer Association, will be hosted by and at Stoneridge Shopping Center on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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# Community Calendar

#### Saturday, November 16

Foothill High Marching Band Little Drummer Boy Boutique and Bake Sale, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Foothill High School, 4375 Foothill Road, Pleasanton. For information call Elena, 462-4736 or Nancy, 462-7436.

#### Sunday, November 17

Silent Auction, Golden Acorn and Charlie Brown Chapters. Children's Home Societies, 2-5 p.m., Veterans' Hall, 301 Main St. Donation \$2.50. Call 829-2450 days or 846-2521 evenings, ask for Dodie.

#### Saturday, November 23

Del Valle Fine Arts Concert, Philharmonic Chamber Soloists, 8 p.m.
Livermore Presbyterian Church, Fourth and South L Streets. For tickets and information call Roberta, 447-2752.

Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29 Schools closed. Thanksgiving Holiday.

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# **Project AIRE Presents Series**

Alcoholism and related problems are the subjects of a series of four conferences to be presented by Project AIRE (Alcohol, Information, Referral and Education) under the auspices of The Center, a non-profit community agency.

The series will begin on Friday, Nov. 15, at Pleasanton City Hall Council Chambers, 200 Bernal Street. Beginning with registration and coffee at 9 a.m., the seminar will end at 4 p.m.

A registration fee of \$7 per person includes a box lunch.

The first conference entitled "Alcoholism, the disease ... A Modern Perspective," will feature professional and para-professionals in the field of alcohol-related problems.

Highlighting the first conference will be a keynote address by Sue Blacksher, M.S.W., with the state Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs.

Her presentation will be followed by a panel of experts who will discuss alcoholism.

Further information on the one-day seminar can be obtained by calling the Center at 462-5544.

# **Chamber Soloists**

Del Valle Fine Arts presents the Philharmonic Chamber Soloists on Sunday, Nov. 23, at 8 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church, Fourth and South L streets, Livermore.

The Chamber Soloists are members of the Philharmonic Baroque Orchestra of the West.

Mostly residents of the Bay Area, these musicians are the chamber music component of the larger orchestra and perform on authentic string and wind instruments or replicas in the historic performance style of the period.

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# GOOD SPORTS



Amador Dons

# Down, But Not Out

Trying to locate the head football coach at Amador Valley High School is easy. All you have to do is ask the students.

"Have any idea where Mr. Dufour is?"

"Don't know, but you can't miss him," said a male student.

"Just look for the big guy wearing purple shorts," another one said, indicating "big" in a deep voice and with a spreading of his arms.

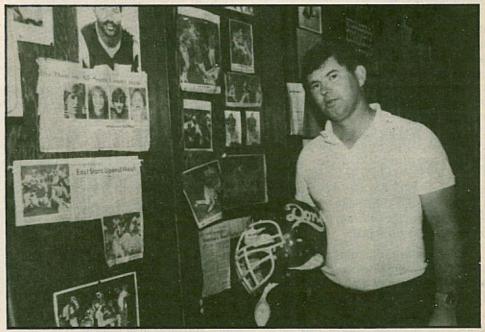
Inside an office no larger than an attic sits Glenn "Duffy" Dufour, Amador Valley's head football coach. The air smells of cigar smoke, and Dufour, a heavyset man wearing a Tshirt and shorts, looks as if he could rip a shower head off the wall.

He's not adverse to conversation, though. In fact, he seems quite willing to talk about this years' Amador Valley Dons. "If we had stayed healthy," Dufour said, "we would have had a chance at winning the (NCS) title. We're going to try and end this season on a positive note."

The victim of multiple injuries this year, the Dons have suffered seven losses and only a single victory. With two games remaining, Dufour figures the team might hope for a poossible win against San Ramon or Granada, but even that may be too much to expect.

Several key players were injured this year, including outstanding sophomore linebacker Gregg Gould, who broke his leg during a practice game; Carl King, outside linebacker and tight end, tore the ligaments in his ankle last week; and kicker Chris Booth fractured a leg three weeks ago.

Early in the season, tight end Dan Kelly suffered a broken wrist; Dave Maddox, offensive tackle and outside



Coach Duffy Dufour blames losing streak on athletic injuries.

linebacker, tore the cartilage in his knee; and highly touted junior quarterback Mike Malone suffered a broken shoulder.

Last year's team members also suffered multiple injuries. The Dons lost three quarterbacks during the first three weeks of the season. As a result, Dufour said the team played poorly for the rest of the season, ending with a record of three wins and seven losses.

The overall picture doesn't look bright, but Dufour said he'll cut his losses and hang in there.

"I'm my own worst critic," he said.
"I hold myself responsible for not getting my team to play up to our level of
capability."

During nine years coaching the Dons, Dufour has led the team to NCS championship playoffs once. In 1979, the Dons lost to Pinole Valley during the title game.

He has also coached several outstanding athletes, including Gregg Kragen, who now plays for the Denver Broncos; Scott Kinney, a kicker for the University of Pacific in Stockton; and Scott Smith, a running back for Cal Berkeley.

With past successes in mind, Dufour said, "It's got to come from within. You're ultimate success is in attitude. If you get kids that are motivated — bound and determined to succeed — then you've got an edge."

While he isn't complaining about the attitude of this year's team members, he said the injury rate has undercut the team's morale.

On the other hand, the junior varsity team's success has pleased him enormously. Last year, the team was undefeated, and this year, the team has only a single loss.

Undaunted by the varsity losses this year, Dufour said, "Any coach who has a losing season is going to catch some flak. I've got my own standards to worry about. I can't let adverse criticism get in the way of how well my team performs."

# More Hits Than Misses



Gary Cole (left) looks on while Scott Kenny (center) receives congratulations from Gary Sterling (right) as the winner of an eight-day stay at the Hawaiian Monarch Hotel. Scott won the grand prize playing in the eighth annual Cole's Market Golf Tournament held recently.

# Chopping His Way To The Top

Along with his recent jump from brown to black belt, 12-year-old Joe Cruz, of Pleasanton, took second place in his age division during the AAU National Karate Championship held in New Orleans, La. over the summer.

The second place win makes him eligible to compete as a member of the U.S. Junior Karate team in the Father of Christmas Cup tournament to be held in Budapest, Hungary, on Dec. 7-8.

But Joe has a problem that no karate move can solve.

In order to attend the tournament, the eighth grade student at Harvest Park Middle School must raise \$2,000 for airfare and accommodations by Dec. 1.

According to his karate instructor, Carl Hultin, Joe will be competing against advanced karate students in his age group



Joe Cruz

from five European countries including Austria, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Poland and West Germany.

"This year is the first time ever that the U.S. Junior Karate team will compete overseas," said Hultin. "It's quite an honor for Joe to be part of it."

Donations may be sent to Joe's mother, Maria Cruz, at 3491 Beecham Ct., Pleasanton, 94566.

# Cold his your

## Volunteer Job Leads To Full-Time Position

While serving as a social worker in Madison, Wisconsin public schools, Betty Stallings was assigned to act as a liaison between the schools and the local volunteer bureau.

She had no idea that the experience would be a training ground for a much larger undertaking.

"I didn't realize the importance of that little assignment," said Mrs. Stallings, who left Wisconsin soon afterward and moved to Pleasanton. In her zealous search for employment here, she became founder and executive director for the Valley's first volunteer clearinghouse.

In October, the Valley Volunteer Center marked its ten-year anniversary. In celebration of the VVC's "Ten Years of Caring," the agency is organizing events which will recognize volunteers, such as special luncheons and a membership drive during National Volunteer Week in April.

"I never pictured anything quite like this," said Mrs. Stallings during an interview at the agency on 333 Division St.

"I went looking for human services agencies in the area, and it was extrememly frustrating. I needed an agency that could tell me what was available," she said.

With five part-time volunteers assisting her, Mrs Stallings rented a one-room office in the Pleasanton YMCA on Rose Avenue and launched her idea for an organization that would match volunteers with various service organizations.

Her background in social work and her experience with the Madison volunteer bureau provided the framework for the new volunteer service, which began initially as a local chapter of the Alameda County Volunteer Bureau.

"I think the time was ripe for a coordinating agency for community volunteers. Nobody had ever pulled this kind of thing together and the reception was tremendous," she said.

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Soon afterward, Mrs. Stallings secured a \$2000 grant and the agency was able to move to larger offices in the Police Auxiliary Building near Kottinger Drive. In a move toward greater independence, the VVC incorporated as a non-profit organization with Mrs. Stallings as executive director.

Today, the VVC serves about 150 non-profit agencies in the tri-valley area. The organization has an annual budget of \$200,000, a paid staff of five full-time and seven part-time employees and a 19-member board of directors.

In addition to the original volunteer match service, the VVC has developed four programs — a skills bank of more than 2000 professionals who volunteer their services to speak in elementary and high schools; Project MANAGE, which provides management training to individuals in non-profit organizations; the Women's Internship Program; and Career-Links, which provides internships for high school and special needs students.

Since 1983, the VVC has been located at the Division Street facility. According to Mrs. Stallings, the city covers rent and utilities for the former police station annex, saving the VVC thousands of dollars annually.

The agency is funded by a variety of sources, including community donations, local businesses, large corpora-



Valley Volunteer Center staff members include (l-r) Jane Vincent, Kris Miller, Executive Director Betty Stallings, Helen Robinson, Mary Lou Stuller, Virginia Lyon and Margaret McClelland. Not pictured: Barbara Tuck, Marilynne Moyers, Kay Abernathy, Gail Dennler and Gloria Bragg.

tions, private foundations and United Way.

Last year, 1386 volunteers were placed by the VVC in service organizations in Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton. Roughly 200 women and an equal number of high school students were placed in job internships through Career-Links and the Women's Internship porgams. Mrs. Stallings said her figures do not include an unrecorded number of individuals who use the agency's referral services.

With the growth of Valley commerce, Mrs. Stallings anticipates a greater need in the future for more job workshops and expansion of the women's internship program to include men and college students.

Ironically, the women's internship program was turned down by 18 foundations before it was granted funding from the Gerbode Foundation in 1978.

Although the VVC has come a long

way, its original purpose will remain the same.

"Our philosophy is to generate programs to meet needs in the community but not necessarily run them," Mrs. Stallings said. "We're constantly encouraging people to work together to manage their own programs."

In the last five years or so, the VVC has been instrumental in developing many volunteer-operated services, such as the Hope Education Center for brain-damaged children in Livermore. The Senior Support Program also received help from the VVC in its early development. It is now run by the Community Health Center in Pleasanton.

For more information on VVC services and programs, call the office at 462-3570 on Mondays between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. or Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Hacienda Business Park recently implemented a 24-hour security system which will become the eyes and ears for police and fire service to the business park. The maroon-coated security guards will patrol construction sites and parking lots within the business park in vehicles such as the one shown here. Pictured are (l-r) California Plant Protection, Inc. Area Manager Ron Schuman; CPP Vice President Lou O'Neil; Hacienda Business Park Owners' Association (HBPOA) General Manager Jim Self; security guards Kirk Godwin, Rich Miller, Ed Bundy, Suzanne Hanko, Veronica Videll, Nerita Steinke, Jimmy Johnson, Dan Casey and Kevin Falls; HBPOA Assistant Manager Gail Halloran; Sabrina Tallon, personnel officer for Callahan Pentz; and Stan Kephart, chief administrative officer, Callahan Pentz.

#### **New Time For Talk Show**

In response to numerous requests from viewers, Bay Talk, the cable television talk show, will now be seen at 7 a.m. each weekday morning, including Saturday and Sunday.

The earlier airing will allow commuters and early risers to view Bay Talk while having their morning coffee.

Bay Talk features exciting people and interesting topics on cable throughout the greater East Bay, and can be seen on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. (in addition to the daily 7 a.m. airtimes) on community television (CTV) Viacom channel 30.

#### Lottery

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But it doesn't matter one bit to Della.

"I'm happy with what I have," she said. "I'm not going to buy any tickets for awhile. I don't want to push my luck."

After the state takes its 20-percent share of the Seymour's winnings, Della and Jeff will split the money evenly.

Della plans to pay off a charge account and put the remainder into a savings account for Christmas presents. Her husband, a Livermore police officer, will spend his share on a new gun.

Whatever is left over will be used to buy "something extra special" for their two children, seven-year-old Heather and three-year-old Bryan at Christmastime.

Not only will Santa be extra generous this year, Della plans to take two of her neighbors out to dinner.

"They buy lottery tickets all the time and they've only won \$2," she said. "They'd do the same for me."

## Missing

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McCarthy said her mother spent \$1000 and wrote thousands of letters during a four-month period to find the eldest sister. They finally located her living 120 miles away in Pasadena.

Although the sisters call each other and visit frequently, McCarthy said her parents were "burned out" from the search.

"It was hard on them," she said. "It was really my idea to search for Bernice June. But I know my mother would be happy if we found her."

Little is known about Bernice June except that she was born on Sept. 27, 1926 and that she may have been given to a neighbor when she was an infant.

The family was living in apartment No. 18, 2427 John R St. in Detroit when Jasper and Rose Foster separated. Rose reportedly gave Bernice June to a woman who used to babysit for the family. The woman's name may have been "Shana" or "Shauna" and

might have a long, "German sounding" last name.

McCarthy has written hundreds of letters since she began the search for Bernice June four months ago. She obtained a list of people who lived in the apartment in 1927 and a woman named Fawn Cassidy appeared closest fitting that description. She has written to all the Cassidys in Detroit, and in Madison and Milwaukee, Wis., places where Fawn Cassidy is thought to have lived at the time.

McCarthy said she spends many hours in the library searching through Detroit phone books and writing to former occupants of the John R Street apartments.

So far, she has had a few meager leads and a lot of dead ends.

"I get so impatient," said McCarthy.

"My mind is always turning — I'm thinking of who I can write to next."

Persons with any information that might help with the search should call Kris McCarthy at (415) 846-5227.