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"Labor of Love"

Renovation Project Nearing Completion

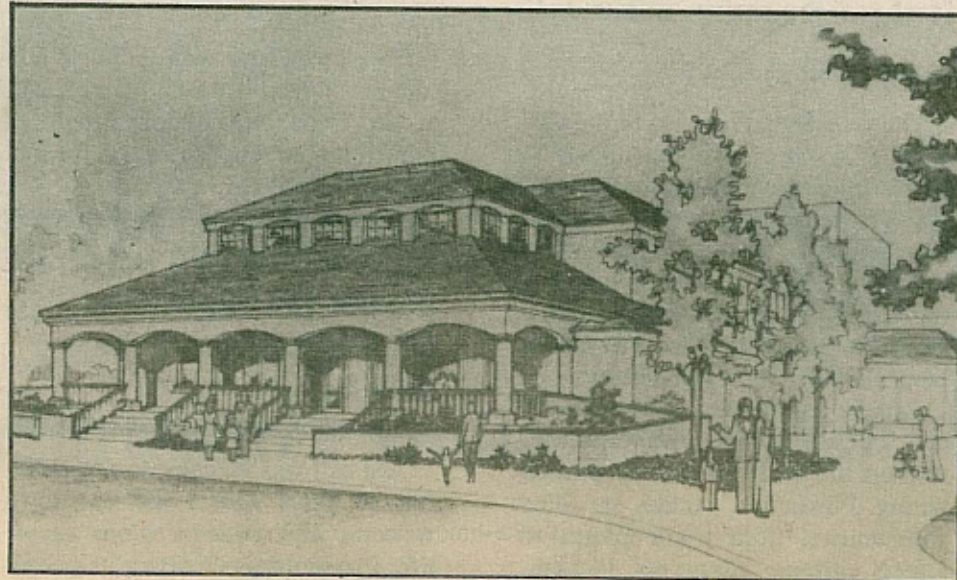
The renovation effort for the Amador High School Theatre has been underway for nearly two and a half years now. Finally, the project is nearing its final stages. If all goes according to plan and schedule, the Theatre will serve as a center for the performing arts for the entire Tri-Valley by September, 1985.

Over two years ago, the theatre was in danger of being closed. "It had a leaky roof and was in need of so many repairs. It was heading for condemnation, but the School District just didn't have the funds to do anything about it," according to Estelle Newcomb of the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council.

"At that time, we knew something had to be done," states PCAC President, Phyllis Wentworth. "There really isn't any other performing arts center in the Valley, and we definitely need one!" Building a new one would have cost several million dollars, while renovation was estimated at \$730,000.

Hence, it followed that the City of Pleasanton and the PCAC joined in a cooperative effort with the Pleasanton School District to renovate the existing building. Once renovated, the theatre will sport a new interior with 700 seats, an attractive frontal facade which will house the box office, lobby and restrooms.

Thanks to a recent \$1,000 grant, the



An artist's rendering of the Amador High School Theatre after renovation.

facade is well endowed. The chairs, however, on "sale" for \$100 each are only 50% covered. The chairs may be purchased by private individuals or businesses who will then be recognized on a bronze plaque of donors. The plaque will be permanently on display in the lobby of the new Amador Theatre.

The project has been helped along with grants, private and corporate assistance, and pledges of in-kind materials and services. "Although we are certainly well on our way, there is still so much yet to be done," says

Wentworth. "It still needs a new roof, heating and air conditioning, electrical work, and much, much more."

In an effort to meet some of those needs, "Labor of Love", a romantic Valentine's Day gala, will be held on February 9th at Hacienda Business Park. The evening will feature cocktails and a silent auction followed by a sit-down dinner and voice auction at Saratoga Center.

Guests will then skip down the road to dance under a roomful of twinkling lights and big red hearts on the huge dance floor complete with mirrored

ball overhead, at the newly completed Viacom Cablevision Building.

The evening will be semi-formal, with tickets priced at \$25.00 per person. "The Renovation Committee is hoping to raise anywhere from \$10,000 to \$15,000 with the dance," explains "Labor of Love" Co-Chairman Kathy Kallis. "The money is needed for a variety of expenses and will be used as a general fund for the project."

In order to have all of the furnishings and materials by the time construction begins on the theatre, everything, particularly the seats, must be ordered by May.

Thirty-three tables have already been reserved for "Labor of Love" by companies and individuals. Says Kallis, "I think we have a really good start on bringing in the people we need and reaching our goal by the May deadline!"

However, there is still much that is needed for the fund-raising effort. At this time, there is no sponsor for the liquor, which will cost about \$1500. Wine is also needed for the dinner and bar. There has been no provision yet for a spotlight (\$500 value), outdoor kerosene heaters, a grand or baby grand piano (transportation has been provided), or the huge (approximately 6000 square foot) rug which is needed for the dinner and auction.

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Part 1 of a 3 Part Series

The Making Of A Building In Hacienda Business Park

In September 1982, construction began at Hacienda Business Park, on the Chabot Center. This three-story, award-winning, multi-tenant office building is situated just beyond the shadow of the arch spanning the main entrance into the Park. Since the official groundbreaking for Chabot Center, the developers of Hacienda have maintained the standards of excellence established with their first building.

This article is part one of a three part series about the work that goes into each building at Hacienda Business Park. We asked George Deeter, Owner's Representative for the Prudential Insurance Company of America, to explain the building standards and how the scheduling and planning systems really work.

"When a building is proposed at Hacienda there are hundreds of details to consider," says Deeter. "City approvals and permits must be obtained. P.U.D. (Planned Unit Development) issues must be addressed, such as traffic, how the building will fit into the overall scheme of The Park, etc.

"We are very concerned with the

quality of a building and the timing to make it cost effective," Deeter says.

"The name of the game is to schedule things properly. You must stay on top of everyone and everything to make sure operations run smoothly — from the architect to the consultants involved, to the contractor," he says.

All of the buildings within Hacienda Business Park are either built to suit a specific tenant's requirements or constructed as a speculative (often called "spec") project. "When we build for a tenant, the designs and quality of the building will meet the special requirements of our customer.

"On a speculative structure, we have to decide what the most likely tenant might want. We have to rely on marketing studies and other industry trends to formulate our plans," Deeter explains.

The studies take into consideration the future health of the Bay Area economy. After the research has been done, representatives from Prudential and CPS (the primary brokerage firm for The Park) then meet to analyze the information.

"We meet to discuss every aspect of

the prospective project," says Deeter. "It is strictly an internal matter at that point." Negotiations continue until both parties are satisfied with building specifications.

Once the internal planning is complete, the Planning Commission and City Council must approve each building — whether it is "build to suit" or "spec" — before the developers can break ground.

Once a project has been approved, a flow chart of the project's progress is set up for all buildings in Hacienda.

The chart consists of an explicit diagram listing the necessary preparations from the first concept drawings to the day the anticipated tenant will occupy a particular unit of the building.

"It's all in the organization," Deeter explains. "We have a superior planning system which provides for optimum productivity and quality control. Basically, we always try to stay on top of things. It's the only way — there's always some activity in motion on every project!"



George Deeter, Mark Biagini, Warren Sattler and Bob Shallenberger look over plans for a building in Hacienda Business Park.



In My Opinion is a bi-monthly column featuring opinions by guest editors. This month's column is by Ed Kinney, real estate associate and former Pleasanton Mayor.

The holidays are now past and the opportunities of the new year are before us. These times have a way of jogging our memories and encouraging the development of future plans. Among our personal reflections should be consideration of where we've been, what we're doing, and where we're going. This process puts our lives in perspective and helps us to focus on the areas of our lives that are most important to us.

To me, this yearly evaluation leads to an appreciation of what Pleasanton has meant to my life, and to the tens of thousands of people blessed with the opportunity to live in this beautiful community.

Having moved here in 1967, I am a relative newcomer to many Pleasantonites. Yet, from the warmth extended to me by the old-timers, and now with

18 years residency, I feel a kinship with that "old-timer" category. The community offered the chance to be a part of it through many avenues. The church welcomed my services as an usher and elder, youth sports programs offered opportunities as a coach, referee, and team parent, public service was possible through both city commissions and city council. Thanks to these numerous activities, there were always things to keep a person busy in our town. There were a lot of chances to meet many wonderful people who had the same luck of living in Pleasanton.

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The experiences enjoyed in the past have led to current opportunities to meet with newer residents of Pleasanton. Through strange twists of fate, I have been given the opportunity to help in carrying out an old Pleasanton tradition — the parade — which I first associated with my first Pleasanton hero, the late Chan Henderson.

Parades are a way of enjoying nearly every phase of community involvement through the variety of entrants participating. Pleasanton parades are filled with entries from youth groups to senior citizens. Countless Pleasantonites parade their activities down Main Street to tell of their pride in

belonging to youth sports teams, 4-H clubs, service groups, and social clubs. Musicians display their talents, whether by themselves, in a school band, or as entertainers from local restaurants and watering holes. Entries can also be found from many adult service organizations, ranging from the younger Jaycees to those enjoying the fullness of life in the V.I.P. Club. While the entries in a parade have only a few fleeting minutes before the crowd of watchers, they represent the meaningful work of the entrants throughout the years. Parades in Pleasanton remind me of the countless ways our citizens may apply their creative talents and express their inner selves. I have experienced that expression in many parades as a member of a bumbling, comic marching group, "The Balloon Platoon".

The places I have been and the place I am now directly impacts where I will go and I couldn't be more delighted than I am now about prospects for the future.

"Pleasanton still offers its people the chance to experience life to the fullest."

Just as I was welcomed to Pleasanton 18 years ago, I see our town welcome new residents to our way of life. Pleasanton still offers its people the chance to experience life to the fullest. I am heartened by the level of

involvement and leadership shown by more recent arrivals to our community. I see the continuing efforts to maintain what has been passed down to us and to improve our quality of life. I can't help but appreciate what I see in the

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future for those of us fortunate enough to remain in Pleasanton in the coming years.

As a high school student, I was greatly impressed by the concept of "community" I found in a required reading of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town". That stage play depicted the various phases of life from birth to death while living an entire lifetime in a single community. It described the relationships of the various members of the town and how each life touched the lives of most of the others in "our town". Thanks to countless caring people in Pleasanton, I have experienced that fullness to a degree I would never have thought possible while still a youngster.

As the new year progresses, it is my hope that every man, woman and child in "our town" of Pleasanton realizes the opportunity to enjoy a full and meaningful life in this beautiful community.

— Ed Kinney

Transportation Poster Contest

Amateur artists are invited to participate in a poster contest being sponsored by Hacienda Business Park. Artists will design posters that promote carpooling, bicycling, riding transit and other ways of traveling to work other than driving alone in one's car.

A grand prize of \$100 will be awarded to the participant who enters the poster and slogan which best encourages methods of commuting other than driving alone. The grand prize winning artwork will be published as a poster.

In addition to the grand prize, awards will be given in two age categories, 18 and under, and 19 and over. In each of the two age divisions, a first prize of \$75, a second prize of \$50, and a third prize of \$25 will be awarded. The winning posters will be displayed at the Hacienda Business Park Community Room.

The deadline for submitting artwork is January 31, 1985. All entries must be submitted, with a registration form, to the Hacienda Business Park Owners' Association, located at 4637 Chabot Drive, Suite 118, Pleasanton, CA 94566. Registration forms are available at the Owners' Association's office or by calling 463-9040, and may be filled out upon submittal of the entry. Winners will be announced February 28, 1985.

The poster should be 22x17 inches in size and done in three colors. Entrants can use watercolor, pen and ink, poster paint, acrylic wash or felt tip pens to design the poster. A slogan that promotes ways of commuting other than driving alone should also be incorporated.

The City of Pleasanton's Transportation Systems Management (TSM) Ordinance requires that employers develop "a TSM Information Program incorporating posting and dissemination of informational materials pertaining to transit, ridesharing and non-vehicular commute modes." Hacienda Business Park will use the posters in its information program to educate employees about commute alternatives.

According to Karen Fraser-Middleton, Transportation Manager for Hacienda Business Park, "The poster contest provides an opportunity for the community to get involved in the City's and Hacienda's efforts to keep traffic at a minimum in Pleasanton. Aspiring artists will get publicity for their work and Hacienda will collect a variety of poster ideas. As a result of the contest, I hope the community and Hacienda employees will have an increased awareness of ways of getting to work other than driving their cars."



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CPS' Janice Conlin is a personality profile with a lot of personality!

Personality Profile

The Pains and Joys of Janice

Janice Conlin's life would make a great movie. Up on the silver screen, some famous actress would experience her adventures and portray the pain and joy Janice has felt through the years as she searched for herself.

If she had her way, however, the famous actress on the screen would be none other than Janice herself. And yet, part of searching and finally finding herself came from the very realization that that would never happen. "I just had to accept that I would never be a star. It's just not me — I'm not star material!" she says with just a hint of disappointment.

It all started with dance and singing lessons — "The whole bit!", she laughs. As Janice got older, her interest in the theatre, especially musical theatre grew and developed until she was appearing in numerous plays and musicals in her native Allentown, Pennsylvania.

"But then when I came to the realization that I would have to work for a living, I had to decide between college and business/secretarial school," she remembers. Although it was a tough decision, and a hard realization, Janice soon found herself working as a secretary, and at 31, has spent the last 13 years working at secretarial related jobs.

Far from being the last of the story, however, that's where the adventure began — with that decision. About seven years ago, Janice decided it was time for a change. "I'd been living back East all my life. I wasn't sure what I wanted, but I knew it wasn't there for me."

Janice responded by selling everything she owned, hopping in her Volkswagen with two suitcases to her name, and setting out across the country. "I had no idea where I'd end up!" she laughs now. "I figured California — I'd been here before to visit my sister years ago — but I didn't know where!"

The Volkswagen came to a halt in Santa Cruz where she stayed for several years. She was married, briefly,

but still felt unsatisfied with her place in the scheme of things. It wasn't until Janice started working for CPS in Sunnyvale that she started to uncover just what it was she had been looking for all those years.

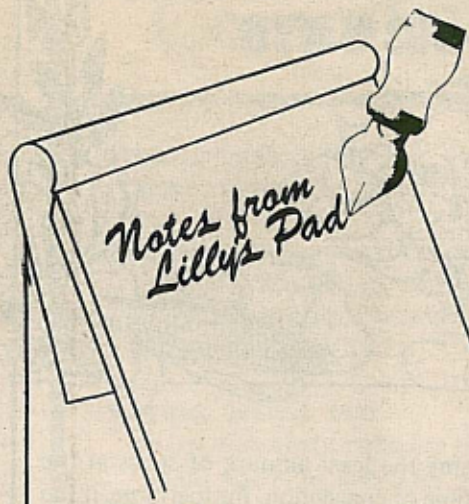
"It was me! I realized that I had been relying on other people my whole life — first my father, then boyfriends and a husband. I was always looking to others to make me happy, to give me the answers," she says. "I decided that I needed time for myself, all by myself. I knew I had to learn to accept myself and feel better about myself."

Self-discovery is a long road of bumps and jolts. "I'm still learning more about myself everyday, but I had to take a long hard look first. People are always trying to mold you into what they think you should be — for so long I went along with that. No more. I don't have time for that. I am what I am and what is within me can't be changed. I wouldn't want to if I could!"

Part of self-acceptance, for Janice came with greater responsibility, with new challenges and striving to learn more. "My other jobs had been so mechanical and unchallenging," she complains. "But with my job at CPS, I have more responsibility than I've ever had in my life. I think I really thrive on that."

As the Sales Support Secretary for CPS in Pleasanton, Janice has spent the last year "Trying to please all fourteen brokers at one time," as she describes it. "I'm like a spring at work. All day it's wound tighter and tighter until I hit that parking lot at night and go — BOING!"

Janice really enjoys working in Pleasanton and has finally found happiness and satisfaction. "I love problem solving, which is a big part of what I do now. And I really enjoy working for Mark Sweeney. I learn from him everyday." Janice hopes to advance in the company and grow with CPS. "But for now," she grins, "I'm just really happy doing what I'm doing!"



The Christmas tree is finally down and out of the house. The decorations have all been neatly packed in their storage boxes, and the vacuum cleaner has made countless trips over the pine needles in an effort to pick up the last one.

However, I feel that last pine needle won't disappear until it's about time to put up next year's tree. If anyone has the secret of a quick, sure, clean-up of pine needles, let me know.

Our Holiday Season was great this year and we hope yours was too.

Getting back to a normal routine at work is a good feeling. As I tear off the pages of the old calendar, it never ceases to amaze me how much has been accomplished during the year. It's

like reliving a year of your life in a very short span of time.

I can remember when I worked in San Francisco on the 16th floor of the 111 Sutter Street Building and what fun it was to toss the pages of my calendar through the window and watch a year flutter in the air until it hit the streets with hundreds of other calendar pages and became intertwined with others lives. The air and street took on the appearance of a snow storm hitting the City.

A fresh, invigorating feeling always goes through me as I place the clean pages of a new calendar before me. It's like a new beginning — another chance to perhaps reach some of those goals and objectives that were not quite met the previous year.

I guess if we had a dollar for every resolution we or others have made, we could probably retire and live in luxury.

But life might become dull without new challenges, horizons, worry, fear, sorrow, happiness and great expectations in our future.

This year, I'm looking forward to a more exciting year than last year, with new goals and objectives to be met.

I hope you feel the same way and that this year will be one of your best. Happy New Year!!

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A friend of mine was joking the other day, "If my next baby isn't a girl, I'm giving it right back!" For her benefit, and yours, here are some tips for influencing and determining a baby's sex.

There are many legends which claim dietary influence on the unborn's sex. For example, it is said that eating boiled, unsalted oysters will bring you a girl, as will red vegetables. If you prefer a boy, opt for salt and green vegetables.

Moreover, commercial ice cream and alcoholic beverages are no-nos if you're hankering for a baby girl. If so, you should eat foods which are high in calcium and magnesium and low in sodium. Conversely, male-baby candidates should consume heavy doses of potassium, salt and protein, and keep calcium levels very low.

More scientifically speaking, studies have shown that a child's sex is often the same as that of the parent experien-

cing the least amount of stress at the time of conception. Furthermore, if the mother is in a high phase of either a sensitivity cycle or physical cycle on her biorhythm chart at conception, then she is more likely to give birth to a girl.

If it's too late to plan ahead, and the baby is due anytime, you might be able to determine its sex by throwing a cat in the air by its tail. According to a Persian legend, if the cat lands on its back, the baby is a girl — on its feet and it will be a baby boy.

Of course amniocentesis and ultrasound are the most reliable methods of determining an unborn child's sex. But a Princeton survey revealed that 59% of American women would not be interested in knowing whether they will have a boy or a girl before birth. It seems that the traditional anticipation, speculation and surprise are still preferred over even the most modern medical procedures!

Occupational Outlook Is Good

Thanks to the business development in North Pleasanton which has occurred in the last few years, and that which is predicted for the future, the occupational outlook for Pleasanton residents is brighter than ever.

There will be an especially huge demand for skilled clerical workers in the years to come, and several Pleasanton educational programs have been designed to help Pleasanton residents prepare for and obtain those positions.

The Amador Valley Joint Union High School District, for example, is offering an intensified clerical training program for unemployed valley residents at no cost. Eligible residents should attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 15, 22, or 29 at 3:30 p.m.

All of the meetings will be held at Amador Valley High School, 1155 Santa Rita Road in Room B-4. Free childcare will be available. Further information can be obtained by calling

the Valley Employment and Training Program at 462-1353.

If you are already employed, but you hope to move into the clerical field and snatch one of those jobs, the Amador Valley Adult Education program might be the answer for you.

Winter quarter runs from January 14th to March 22nd. Although pre-registration has been completed, you may sign up for class on your first day of attendance.

Various courses, such as shorthand, typing, and intensified clerical practices will be offered during the winter quarter. Courses in Word Processing, an invaluable tool for the clerical worker of the 80's, will also be offered. Fees vary from course to course, from \$11 to \$35, which includes lab fee.

So don't sit and wait! Don't let the right job pass you by. Sign-up and take an important step for your future and Pleasanton's.

Communication In Relationships

Chabot College Valley Campus will host a symposium on "Communication in Relationships" on Saturday, February 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Valley Campus.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Joy Browne, a radio talk show psychologist. Dr. Browne recently served as the host for Radio KCBS News Magazine and is the author of a book on communications entitled "Trust Your Neighbor and Tie Up Your Camel at Night?"

She is a well-known Bay Area psychologist who has had talk shows on radio station KGO in San Francisco and WITS in Boston. Joy received her B.A. from Rice University, her M.A. and Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Northeastern University in Boston and attended Tufts University Medical School.

Workshops expanding on Dr. Browne's presentation will explore such issues as love and trust, dependence, jealousy, power and money, burnout, negotiation, risk-taking and making changes.

Ticket orders at \$12.50 per person must be postmarked no later than January 21 and mailed to: Trust Symposium, Chabot College-Valley Campus, 3033 Collier Canyon Road, Livermore, CA 94550.

This symposium is being planned by Dr. Dee Roshong, Assistant Director-Student Services; Mrs. Margaret Emery, Health Instructor and Dr. Judy Porta, Sociology Instructor.

Further questions on the event may be directed to Dr. Dee Roshong at 455-5300.

Pet of the Month



These little cuties have had such a hard life, and they're only seven weeks old! The puppies, Shepard-mix, are part of a litter found abandoned at a Hayward rest stop. Thanks to some quick work by Pleasanton's Janice Holms, the puppies and their mother were saved from termination at the County Shelter.

Janice bailed these two puppies out and brought them to Lynda Hendrix of Pets, Etc. in the Amador Shopping Center. One of the puppies has already been sold, but the other is still waiting for a home. Unfortunately, their mother's fate doesn't look so bright.

In a last minute attempt to save her, Janice bailed out the mother, in cooperation with Pleasanton Pathways, hoping to find a home for her. However, while she was staying at

a ranch in Livermore, she ran away before adoption could be arranged.

"I'm not sure if she was trying to get back to her owners, or the puppies, or if she's just a runner," says Janice. "It's too bad though, she was such a sweet dog with a good temperament." The dog had been overnursed by the puppies and was suffering a mammary infection when Janice rescued her.

"I took her to the veterinarian, and I still have the medicine for her here — if anyone finds her," she states. Janice has another adorable German Shepard-mix pup at home for adoption, four-month-old "Daisy". If you have any information on the lost dog, or would like more information on her puppies or Daisy, you may call Janice at 462-6547.



Susan Katz, Computer Software Consultant, demonstrates the new inventory program custom designed for Bob and Nancy Kenny of Valley Auction.

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Grant Distribution

The Tri-Valley Community Fund has announced a new funding cycle for all tax exempt, non-profit organizations or agencies located in and primarily serving residents of the tri-valley communities of Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon, Danville, and Alamo. Grants will be awarded in the areas of health and human care services, cultural arts, education and recreation.

Packets containing funding criteria and application procedures will be available for pick-up at the Valley Volunteer Center, 333 Division Street, Pleasanton. Or call 484-1818 and the packet will be mailed.

During its first funding cycle, 21 valley agencies received over \$20,000 in grant money. The Board of Directors has determined that groups may not receive back-to-back funding, so those agencies funded in September 1984 will not be eligible during this funding cycle.

Although most of the grants will fall in the \$500 to \$2000 range, proposals for other amounts will be considered. Grant applications must be returned by February 15. Those selected for funding will be announced on April 30.

The Tri-Valley Community Fund is a division of the East Bay Community Foundation. All money donated to the fund will be used only in the tri-valley area. Many valley businesses have made substantial contributions to the fund, and several, such as the Pleasanton School District, Farmers Insurance and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories, have initiated an employee payroll deduction plan. The Soroptimists of Pleasanton have also made a generous donation from the proceeds of their Stepping Out II fundraiser. Hewlett-Packard has offered a matching grant in the amount of \$100,000. This will be used as seed money for building an endowment for the future.

Anyone wishing to donate to the fund, or needing more information about the funding proposals, may call 484-1818.

Museum On The Move

The Amador-Livermore Valley Historical Society will be moving into their new quarters on Main Street on Saturday, January 19th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

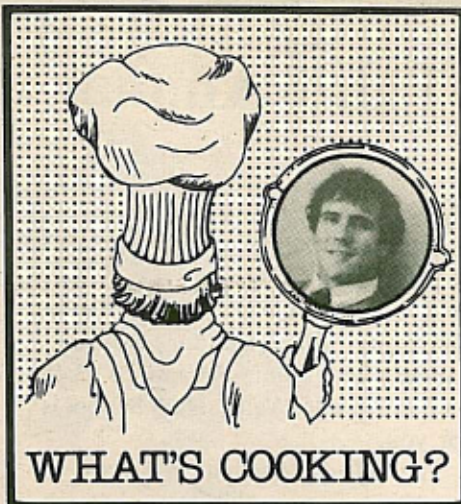
Help is vitally needed and that includes trucks (pick-ups and others) as well as willing arms and hands to load and unload items.

Persons able to assist in this move may contact Ann Doss, museum curator, at 462-2766 or 462-6445 for further information.

Safety In Boating

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, a non-profit volunteer organization, will conduct a 13-week course on "Boating Safety and Seamanship" beginning January 15th at Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton.

The course is offered at no cost. For more information, call 828-5159 or 443-0958.



Well, Ladies, if you'd like to know who Pleasanton's most eligible bachelors of 1985 are, this issue's What's Cooking, Ken Cook, is sure to top the list of possibilities. Not only is Ken handsome, adventurous, and blessed with a sense of humor, the young Pleasanton Engineer is also a gourmet cook!

Ken began cooking at a young age, although he didn't become seriously involved with culinary pursuits until he was well into college. "My grandfather used to cook dinner every Sunday when I was a small boy — so I got over the male/female cook hang-ups at a very young age!" Ken recalls.

"Then, when I went to France as a student (The best education I ever had — by the way!), well, the food was fantastic!" Ken didn't hesitate to ask his French mothers for recipes, and if they were going to prepare the same thing again, he's ask to observe.

One thing led to another. Ken started experimenting and reading culinary magazines. Soon, without formal training — his natural abilities started developing and now he's quite an accomplished chef. "I really love cooking on the weekends. I especially enjoy preparing all of the sauces and elaborate desserts," Ken says. He hopes to take some courses soon as well, in an attempt to add to his already impressive skills.

Although a self-admitted "closet chocaholic," Ken does his best to eat nutritiously, at least on weekdays, opting for soups, salads, etc. Nutritional concern isn't all that's surprising about Ken Cook. Despite what some might expect, given his looks, athletic background and hobbies; Ken is startlingly intelligent and has always been an outstanding student.

Ken played football, wrestled, and threw the discus and shot put during his school days in Haddonfield, New

Jersey. But because he spent so much time in and around the water, hunting and fishing, Ken became very interested in water resources. "I basically grew up during the environmentally conscious times of the 60's," Ken explains, "so, by the time I was a junior in high school, I knew what I wanted to do."

He received his Bachelors' Degree from Dartmouth College in Engineering Sciences. He then began his Masters' program at the University of California at Berkeley in Environmental Engineering in the fall of 1981. Ken graduated from Berkeley in December of 1982 and has been employed as a Water Resources Engineer with Bissell and Karn in Pleasanton since October of 1983.

"I first came to California because my father, a doctor in Sacramento, wouldn't be too far away." However, the separation from his mom, back East, and his 12 year old brother, Andrew (who lives with Ken's Stepmother in Idaho), has been somewhat painful for Ken. "My little brother is one of the most important things in my life right now," he explains. "It's really hard not to be able to spend more time with him."

"I love Pleasanton though," Ken says. "I hated Berkeley — too much concrete! I like the country and being outdoors. I can't stand being in the city too long!" He's definitely the outdoorsy type. He enjoys backpacking, cross country skiing, white-water rafting (he works as a guide on summer weekends), and recently started collecting nature prints.

As a high school football player, Ken found that he enjoyed distance running. "I like to be out there alone. It's so peaceful and relaxing — I've always hated sprint work!" jokes Ken. He's obviously more inclined to long-distance competition. The San Francisco Marathon, which he completed last year, sparked an interest in triathlon, and Ken completed his first half-triathlon this year. He hopes to compete in a 200-mile bike race this May, as well as a full-Triathlon this August.

With such an active, healthy lifestyle, Ken is the ideal gourmet cook to offer dietary advice for the new year. To counteract your holiday-season indulgences, Ken shares a light, healthful recipe for Marinated Ocean Fish. Ken loves seafood and first discovered this dish while vacationing in Tahiti.

"I loved it then, but I didn't actually find the recipe until I'd already come

back home!" he laughs. For your delicious, nutritious enjoyment, here is Ken's recipe (from Bon Appetit, October 1983) for Marinated Ocean Fish, to help you start out the new year right!

MARINATED OCEAN FISH (T'a Ota)

This dish is a mainstay of the Tahitian diet. It is essential that fresh ocean fish be used, not a freshwater variety. The fish will actually cook in the lime juice.

6 servings

- 2 pounds fresh sea bass, tuna or halibut
- 1 quart water
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1 cup (about) fresh lime juice (8 to 10 limes)
- 1 cup Coconut Milk*
- 2 medium tomatoes, peeled, seeded and chopped
- 1 medium carrot, grated
- ½ cup chopped green onion
- ¼ cup chopped green bell pepper
- Salt and freshly ground pepper
- Curly leaf lettuce (garnish)

Carefully remove any tiny bones remaining in fish. Cut fish into ½-inch cubes. Transfer to nonaluminum bowl. Stir in water and salt. Let mixture stand for 30 minutes.

Drain fish well. Return to bowl. Add enough lime juice to cover. Set aside to marinate until fish is "cooked," stirring occasionally, about 1½ hours at room temperature or 2 hours in refrigerator. Drain well. Return to bowl. Gently stir in Coconut Milk, tomatoes, carrot, onion and bell pepper. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Arrange lettuce leaves on individual plates or in scallop shells. Divide fish mixture evenly over top using slotted spoon and serve immediately.

*Coconut Milk

Makes about 2 cups

4 cups fresh or dried grated coconut
2 cups milk, scalded

Combine coconut and milk in medium bowl. Let stand 30 minutes. Strain mixture through colander lined with double layer of moistened cheese-cloth set over 1-quart measure. Squeeze remaining liquid from coconut. Transfer milk to jar. Store in refrigerator.

Directory Aid To Businesses

The new 1984-85 edition of the Directory of Organizations for the Livermore-Amador Valley is now available.

The 5½ x 8½ booklet is the only complete source of information to Valley Clubs and service organizations. It is an aid to businesses wanting to increase community awareness, and is a good resource for sales and marketing.

Copies can be purchased at \$5.00 each at the Chamber office or the Valley Volunteer Center, 333 Division Street, Pleasanton. For an additional \$1.50, a copy will be mailed directly to your home or office.

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Scott Graham, Darian LaBrie, Pat LaBrie (chaperone) and Carol Kilgess were part of the Foothill High School Band group returning from their trip to Southern California over the Holidays.

Band Marches In Rose Parade

The Foothill High School marching band returned to Pleasanton late Wednesday night on the 2nd of January. The young men and women, as well as their chaperones, emerged from the buses to be greeted with cheers, hugs, and a grand welcome home after an exciting week of activities in Southern California.

In their second Tournament of Roses Parade appearance, the band marched in front of television cameras and one million people along the six-mile long Pasadena Rose Parade route. The band has been working non-stop for this event all year, but still had the opportunity for a last minute brush-up on December 30th, at the Pasadena City College Band Fest and Review.

The Band Fest was quite an event in itself. Foothill was one of only seven select bands chosen to perform before thousands of eager band-fans in the review. The review followed a morning of clinics and skilled instruction given for each instrument, as well as all flag and rifle teams.

Although the band also appeared in the "Parade of Lights," a Disneyland production through the huge amusement park on December 29th, the entire week wasn't strictly devoted to band work. Foothill enjoyed Knott's Berry Farm, a tour of Universal Studios, a Pasadena tour to observe Rose Parade floats in the making, a New Year's Eve gala banquet at the Anaheim Marriott, and a farewell banquet at their own hotel before setting off for home.

Third Annual Parent University

Do you ever get the feeling that being a parent is a thankless, endless job and you are the only one faced with certain problems?

If so, the Third Annual Parent University scheduled for Saturday, January 26th from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at Amador Valley High School is for you.

The half-day seminar is offered to parents of pre-schoolers through teenagers and is conducted for local professionals who donate their time and expertise.

"Because being a parent isn't easy," the workshop is being offered as a community service by trustees of Amador Valley Joint Union High School District and Pleasanton Joint School District.

A partial list of the seminars to be available are, "Positive Discipline To Strengthen The Family," "Getting Your

Child To Do What You Want," "Tension Taming For Children," "What Every Parent Needs To Know About Alcohol and Drug Addiction," and "Why Won't They Listen To Me?!"

Advance registration forms will be mailed in early January. The \$7 cost per person or \$12 per couple covers refreshments and printed materials.

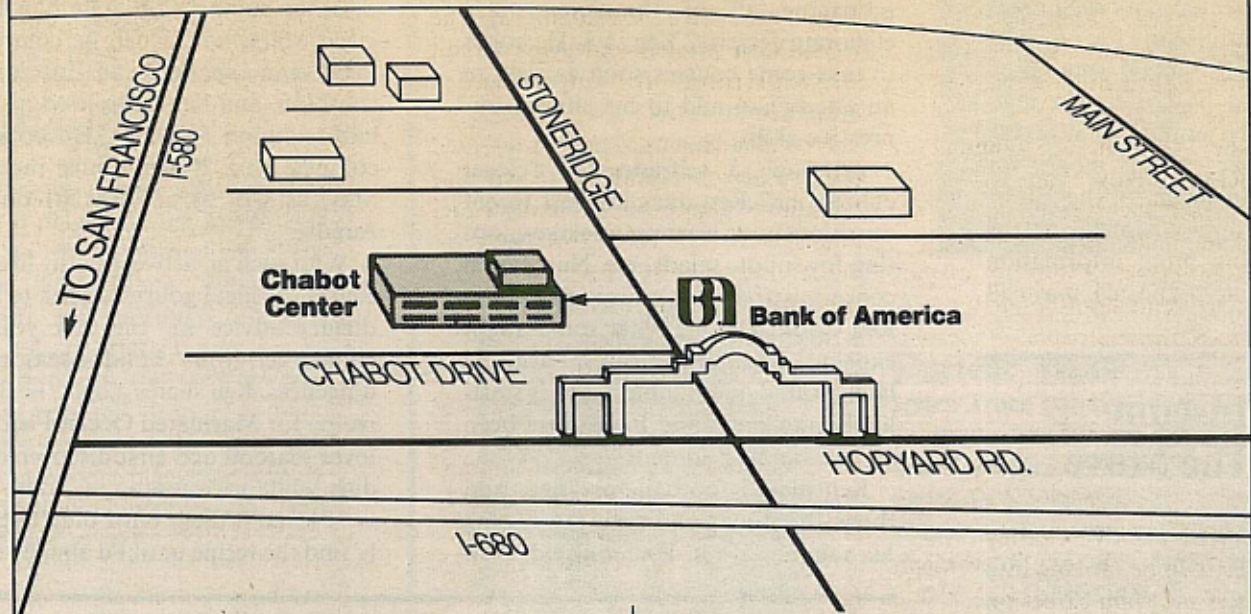
Further information on the seminar may be obtained from Jerri Long at 462-5500, ext. 13.

Over 50 Club

The 50 Plus Club invites singles (male and female), and couples to join their organization for new friendship and fun.

For more information, contact Donna Haag at 846-3807 or Barbara McCorkle at 462-2298.

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Pathways

In order to better serve the community and for *Pathways*' staff to enjoy the Holidays, publication of *Pathways* was delayed one week, being published on the second Monday instead of the first Monday of the month. This schedule (second and fourth Mondays of the month) will be in effect for 1985.

The next issue of *Pathways* will be Monday, January 28th. Deadline for that issue is Friday, January 18th.

Many thanks for your continued support of our publication.



Robert Thomas Photography

The Bank of America's Carolanne Lapham will soon be installed President of the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber Installs New President

Carolanne Lapham has been with the Bank of America for 17 years now. Seven of those years she has spent at the Pleasanton branch. From the time she stepped off the plane from New York, Carolanne has been an active member of the community. She has been especially active in the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce.

At the Chamber installation and community awards dinner on Friday, February 18, Carolanne will be installed as the new Chamber President. Carolanne is anticipating the event and her up-and-coming position with great enthusiasm. "I'm really excited about this!" she says. "I know it's going to be a lot of work. But I think it will be very rewarding."

As the new President, Carolanne doesn't anticipate many changes for the Chamber. "We have a good, active Chamber. There are many current activities in progress. Therefore, I just need to work at continuing the excellence that has already been established," states President-elect Carolanne.

"I do think we should become more involved with legislative issues that will affect Pleasanton businesses. And perhaps we should become more visible in the community." Her main goal for 1985 is to greatly increase the Chamber's membership.

"The development in north Pleasanton is ideal for that!" she says. There are currently approximately 700 members. "I want to make that count swell to an excess of 1,000 members. I think that will be easily realized in the near future," she predicts.

"The development here is very positive. Seeing all of the new businesses coming to Pleasanton is very exciting," she comments. "The Chamber sells itself — businesses see what we're doing and they want to sign up and be a part of the action."

Carolanne wants to be a part of it all, too. Her first job with the Bank of America was secretarial. She hadn't even considered a career in the banking industry. "I needed a job. I arrived from New York, and I had to find work. The bank had an opening, so I applied," she recalls.

Carolanne is an outgoing, hard-working individual whose talents were quickly recognized by her superiors. After being transferred to many different branches on various assignments, she became part of an internal recruitment program. She was recently promoted to Vice President of the Pleasanton branch and Area Credit Administrator for eight valley branches.

New challenges are being presented to her every day. With her recent Vice Presidential appointment and the fact that she is responsible for the credit procedures at Bank of America branches in Livermore, Pleasanton, Danville, San Ramon, Dublin, Blackhawk, and the new Hacienda Business Park office, Carolanne has almost no free time anymore. "The bank is very supportive of my Chamber commitments," says Carolanne. "I'm very fortunate that they allow me the time I need to perform my volunteer obligations."

With the same enthusiasm with which she pursues her career and civic responsibilities, Carolanne is trying desperately to conquer the game of golf. Because of her commitments, she doesn't have a lot of extra time to spend on the green. But she claims with determination, "I'm terrible now, but I'm going to win it over if it kills me!"

The Chamber will greatly benefit from Carolanne's determination and enthusiasm for life, not to mention her bright smile and delightful personality. Congratulations Carolanne!

Authors To Speak At Luncheon

Pleasanton Newcomers' monthly luncheon will be held on Wednesday, February 6th at Dan McGrew's Restaurant in Danville.

The speakers will be Shirley Atwater and Marilyn Meich, authors of "The

Four Ingredient Cookbook?" No-host cocktails begin at 11:30 a.m.

Reservations should be made by Friday, February 1st by calling 846-5585. The cost is \$8.45 — \$9.65.

Local Boy On Television

Since his recent appearance on KTVU-TV's Romper Room and Friends, Pleasanton's Steven Pacheco, 5, has decided he'll be a fireman or a news director when he grows up.

"I liked to be on TV. It was really fun!" Steven says. His mother, Joyce, says, "He wants to be a fireman because one day they played firefighters. It was so cute! They were going around in little box-car fire trucks with little red hats on!"

Steven's older sister, Sheryl, 11, made an appearance on Romper Room when she was four and a half years old. "I remember it, some of it. I remember one taping we were late to and they stuck me in at the commercial!" she laughs.

Norman and Joyce Pacheco have lived in Pleasanton 12 years. They are delighted with their children's television appearances. "I think it's really good for them to actually see the taping process — the cameras, the lights, etc. They sit and watch TV, but never understand how it is made."

By videotaping each episode, the Pachecos are now able to capture Steve on television at any time. "That's his favorite part, I think," says Joyce. "The taping was really fun, sure. But he really likes watching himself on television." "Yeah, and he watches it several times a day!" quips Sheryl.

Steven, other than being exceptionally cute with a delightful personality, is basically a typical five year old. He began kindergarten this year ("I like school better than Romper Room," he says), and just started playing soccer as well. Although Joyce and Sheryl say he isn't a ham, when Steven's asked, "Do you want to be a star?", he responds with a radiant star-like smile and a quick "Yeah!"

Because of the Tournament of Roses Parade, which aired in place of Steven's Romper Room performance on January 1st, you will be able to catch him on camera again Tuesday, January 23. Romper Room airs on Channel-2 at 8:30 a.m.



Steven Pacheco flashes his "Romper Room" smile.

Junior Women

The Junior Women will hold an initiation at La Rochelle on Tuesday, January 22, at 7:00 p.m.

Persons interested in further information about the Pleasanton-Livermore Junior Women's Club should call 846-0440.

Racquetball

Newcomers' racquetball is offered for all Newcomer's members on Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Schoeber's Racquetball Spa in Pleasanton.

Members of all skill levels play for reduced rates which include court time, a lesson for beginners, whirlpool, locker, and shower facilities. Childcare is available at an additional minimal fee.

"Racquetball is really a lot of fun," says Maryann Manning. "But the best part about Newcomers' racquetball is that you don't have to be great to come down and play!"

So, if you're a Newcomer, or would like to be, and you're interested in the racquetball program, please call Maryann at 462-8357.

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a bit of trivia

By Ben Fernandez

It is now Super Bowl season, so let's have a few mental teasers about the oblong ball.

1. Burt Reynolds played a football player in two separate movies. What are they?
2. Green Bay won the first two Super Bowl games. Who did they beat?
3. Who played Gale Sayers in the classic TV show "Brian's Song?"
4. While we watch Dandy Don and the gang on the Monday night TV show, the same game is being broadcast by radio. Who are the two broadcasters?
5. The big college football song of Yale is "Bulldog, Bulldog, Rah Rah

Rah, Eli Yale." Who wrote the song?

6. Middle East terrorists attempted to blow up a Super Bowl game in Miami. What was the name of this 1979 movie?
7. Who was the only man to coach five separate Super Bowl games?
8. "Fighting Back" starred Robert Urich as a television tribute to what professional football player?
9. Where was the first Super Bowl played?
10. Super Bowl hero, Joe Namath, had a short run television series in 1979. What was it?

Answers Below

Getting Down To Business

The Valley Volunteer Center will be presenting a seminar series on "Getting Down to Business."

The schedule includes: "Escaping the Grants Syndrome", a special preview session on January 23rd, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Fee is \$10 which will be applied to the regular seminar series.

On February 5th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., "The Non-profit Entrepreneur" is scheduled. From 2 to 4 p.m., a workshop on "Workplanning for Success" will be held. Fee for the day is \$75.

"Non-profit Marketing", for a fee of \$50, will be held on February 12th, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; "Revenue Generating Projects" is planned for February 19th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., for a fee of \$50. "Capital Acquisition" is scheduled for February 26th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and a "Financial Systems and Controls" workshop will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. for a fee of \$75 for the day.

All seminars will be held at the Dublin Library, 7606 Amador Valley Blvd., Dublin.

Interested persons may enroll in one or all of the seminars. Fee for the entire series is \$250, which includes the preview session. Series pre-enrollment offers a 10% discount or a fee of \$225. Deadline for the discount enrollment is January 25th. Since space is limited, pre-enrollment is encouraged.

A \$25 cancellation fee is levied after February 1st cancellations.

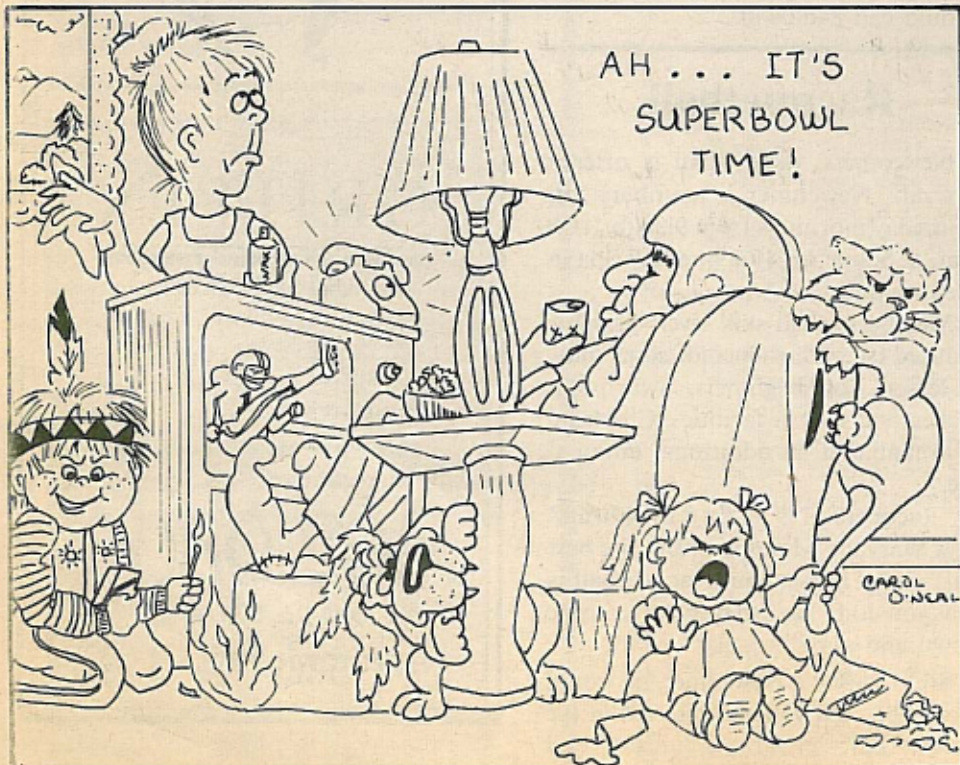
For further information, call the Center at 462-3570.

Playgroup

Resources for Family Development is hosting a playgroup for moms and children at the Community Club House at 4455 Black Avenue in Pleasanton on January 21 and February 4 & 25 at 10:30 a.m.

The Playgroup is free with no pre-registration required. Join us to play, meet others with young children, and find out how to get a playgroup started.

For additional information, call Parents' Place at 443-2727.



ON THE STREET:

"What Are Your New Year's Resolutions And Have You Kept Them So Far?"



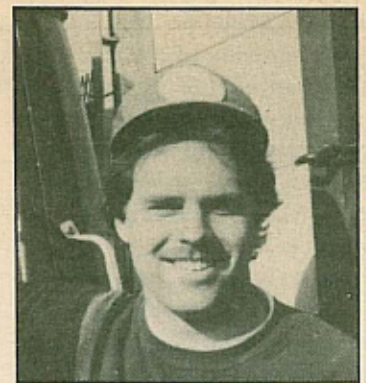
Emily Cross — *"I'm not going to eat as much candy. I'll eat a little bit, but not too much. I've been good so far!"*



Bill Mulligan — **Plasterer** — *I'm going to stop eating so much pasta. But here I am eating it already!"*



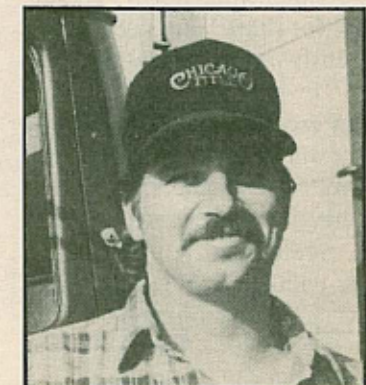
Teresa Cross — **Nurse** — *"Mine are all health related. I want to increase exercise and lower cholesterol. My husband and I just talked about it and this is our joint-resolution."*



Chris Balog — **Lather** — *"I set some up, and I've already broken them! I said I wouldn't miss church anymore, but I missed church on Sunday. I said I wouldn't miss anymore workouts, but I haven't started yet, so we'll see. I don't smoke or anything like that. I'm kind of a boring guy I guess!"*



Darlene Herbert - **Type-setter/Truck Driver** — *"I'm going to try to live by my own ideals more. Instead of being so influenced by others' beliefs, I want to follow my heart and make my own decisions."*



Dean Abbott — **Lather** — *"I was going to quit smoking, but I bought a couple of cigars today so I didn't make it. Well, I guess I didn't really break a resolution, since I'm not smoking cigarettes!"*

Trivia Answers

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| 1. "The Longest Yard" and "Semi-Tough" | 5. Cole Porter |
| 2. Kansas City Chiefs and Oakland Raiders | 6. "Black Sunday" |
| 3. Billy D. Williams | 7. Don Shula |
| 4. Jack Buck and Hank Stram | 8. Rocky Bleier |
| | 9. Los Angeles Coliseum |
| | 10. "Waverly Wonders" |



These actors, pictured auditioning for "Plaza Suite" director Andrea Gordon (far right) are Renee Lewis (standing), Alexis Blackmer (left), and Tony Campanale.

Production Stars All-Local Cast

On the heels of Godspell's success, the Pleasanton Playhouse will be presenting Neil Simon's brilliant comedy, "Plaza Suite". The play is set to open on January 25 and 26 at the Amador Auditorium, and will run through February 10th.

Andrea Gordon, a popular San Francisco Director will direct the Pleasanton Playhouse production of the Broadway hit. In her first community theatre production, Gordon will be assisted by Technical Director Eric Ernstrom and Stage Manager, Debbie Spruell.

The all-local cast will include Alexis Blackmer, Patricia Bosma, Tony Campanale, Fred Cochran, Melody Francis, Ed Haynes, Tom Leone, and Renee Lewis.

Opening night gala festivities will include hors d'oeuvres and refreshments with the cast at a post-performance party. A limited number of guests may

buy combination performance-gala tickets for \$10.00. Reservations should be made in advance. "It should be a lot of fun — sharing in the excitement of opening night!" says Pleasanton Playhouse President and cast member, Renee Lewis.

If you would like to attend the opening night performance, without attending the gala, tickets are available at regular prices: \$6.50 for adults and \$4.50 for senior citizens, children under 12, and groups of 20 or more. Tickets may be obtained at the Pleasanton Recreation Department, the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce and Community First National Bank (both the Pleasanton and Livermore branches).

Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8:00 p.m. while Sunday's will begin at 2:00 p.m. For more information, call Bob or Renee Lewis at 846-1945.

Community Calendar

Monday, January 21st

School Holiday — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Playgroup for moms & children. Community Club House, 4455 Black Avenue, Pleasanton, 10:30 a.m. Free. Sponsor: Resources for Family Development. For additional information call Parents' Place, 443-2727.

Saturday, January 26th

Parent University, Amador High School. Twenty-six seminars offered. Call 462-5500, Ext. 13.

Business Women's Network. Black & White Dinner Dance, San Ramon Country Club, 6:30 p.m. to midnight. Reservations by January 20. Call 376-0575.

Saturday, February 2nd

Piano & Violin Concerto, Livermore — Amador Symphony. First Presbyterian Church, Livermore, 8:15 p.m. For further information call 846-4539.

School age conference covering school age care and recreation. Keynote speaker, Willie Brown. San Francisco State University. Registration, \$12. Contact Andy Scott 826-1043 for more information.

Chabot College — Valley Campus Annual Symposium, Communications in Relationships, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Registration deadline, January 21. General Admission, \$12.50.

Tri-Valley Lioner's Club Fourth Annual Western Night Dinner & Dance, 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Alameda County Fairgrounds. For further information call Joan Einst, 828-2812.

Saturday, February 9th

"Labor of Love" cocktail, dinner, auction and dancing. Saratoga Center and Viacom Cablevision, Hacienda Business Park. Benefit Amador Theatre Renovation. For tickets and information call Phyllis Wentworth, 846-4306.

Monday, February 11th

National association for Professional Saleswomen, San Ramon Country Club, Fircrest Drive, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. No host cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Guests, \$10, Members, \$5.

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Local Ski Contacts

By Dave Williams

Ahh . . . the joys of skiing. Fresh air. Beautiful mountain vistas. Invigorating exercise. The drive. The drive??

That mass Friday night exodus to the Sierra is almost enough to make you swear off — and at — the sport of skiing. Bumper-to-bumper traffic, unlighted mountain roads and, once at the resort, creative parking is the norm. Throw in a moderate winter storm and you can have more fun than root canal surgery.

But there is a way to have your cake and ski it too! Fletcher's Ski Shop in Livermore and the Bay Area Ski Association both offer regular shuttles to some of your favorite Sierra ski destinations. The one-day ski trips include round-trip transportation, lift ticket and, best of all, a whole set of potential skiing friends.

A veteran of more than 200 bus trips to the Sierra, Sam Steele, ski manager at Fletcher's Ski Shop, says taking the bus is the only sane way to go skiing. "If you're usually the one who gets stuck driving, you'll really notice a difference in the quality of your day," says Steele. "Relaxed, riding on the bus, you'll look out the window and say, 'Geez, I didn't know that was there.' For once you'll really enjoy the trip and you'll have a lot more energy left for skiing."

Perhaps the coup de grace in letting a professional drive you to the snow, admits Steele devilishly, is "when it comes time to put on the chains, you can laugh at someone else struggle."

Fletcher's has nine ski trips left this season: Squaw Valley at \$44.50/day

(1/23, 2/19, 3/13, 4/3); Kirkwood at \$42.50/day (2/9, 2/23, 3/16); Bear Valley at \$40/day (1/21, 3/2). On trips to Squaw and Kirkwood, buses depart from the Amador Valley Athletic Club at 5 a.m. Bear Valley trips leave 30 minutes later.

A way to further lower your costs with Fletcher's ski trips is to join its ski club. The \$25 fee entitles members to receive a \$5 discount on all bus trips, a \$5 gift certificate, 10% off on ski rentals and a Fletcher's hat. For more information on Fletcher's bus trips, call 447-6850.

BASA (Bay Area Ski Association) is in its ninth year of offering ski trips to the Sierra. "One of the best things about riding with us is that we drop you off as close to the lifts as the pavement will allow, and with your ski ticket already in your hand," says Eric Johnson, president of BASA. For those of us who like to walk in our ski boots as little as possible and keep the Herman Munster impersonations to a minimum, being able to strap on the skis and immediately head to the chair lift is a big plus.

Offering more than 50 one-day ski trips a year, it's difficult to find a day when BASA's 42-passenger buses aren't going to the Sierra. You have two Saturdays, Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from which to choose every month. BASA has trips to Alpine Meadows, Northstar, Squaw, Sugar Bowl, Sierra Ski Ranch, Kirkwood and Bear Valley. The Tuesday trips to Sierra Ski Ranch and the Wednesday trips to Sugar Bowl also include a ski lesson — at the same price as the other destinations.

The price for the Hayward pick-up point (Denny's Restaurant on Freedom Avenue, off 580 at 150th) is \$51 for adults and \$46 for children. The price includes lift ticket, continental breakfast on the way up and beverages and snacks on the way down. Departure time is at 5:10 a.m. You can save \$2 and meet the 6 a.m. pick-up in Concord at the Sun Valley Mall (east side of Sears). For a schedule of BASA's many ski trips, write: BASA, P.O. Box 383, Alamo, CA 94507; or call (415) 937-6830.

The next time other skiers are scared off by the weatherman's predictions of an impending storm, you can be happily snoozing in a reclined seat, snugly aboard a bus load of fellow skiers, all dreaming of the uncrowded powdery runs to come.

And leave the driving to . . . someone else.



(l-r) David Sheridan, 12; Mike Hansen, 13; and Tim Hansen of the National League are signing up for 1985 baseball action.

Root, Root For The Home Team

Okay, junior baseball fans, it's time to get back out on the diamond and hit some runs for the home team! January is the national month for Little League Baseball and Girls' softball sign-ups, so don't miss out.

National Little League sign-ups will be held at the Community Clubhouse (the small building between the Aquatic Center and the Pleasanton Library on Black Avenue) on January 12th and 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., as well as Tuesday, January 15th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

To help out the Pleasanton Girls' Softball League, the National League will be sharing the Clubhouse on the same dates in order to aid their registration efforts. All girls between the ages of six and 19, living in Pleasanton and Dublin are eligible for play in the PGSL.

If you live in American Little League territory (central Pleasanton), sign-ups

will be held on Saturday, January 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., also at the Community Clubhouse. All boys interested in softball must be eight years of age on or before August 1st of 1985. Fees run approximately \$40 per player and \$50 per family for each league.

First time registrants for all leagues should bring birth certificates or equivalent proof of birthdate, as well as pertinent medical information. Emergency medical treatment authorization forms will be provided, and must be signed and returned before the last day of registration. There is an extra fee of \$5.00 for all late registrations.

For more information on the National League, contact Diane Scott at 846-4644. Further information on the American League can be obtained from Tony Costello at 462-2454, while all Girls' Softball questions should be directed to Jerry Boughey at 846-2313.

Shaping Up In 90 Days

If you are wondering what to do with those extra pounds that came along with the good eating during the Holiday Season, worry no more and become a participant of the 90-Day Wonder Program.

The 90-Day Wonder Program consists of a group of persons interested in improving their physical fitness on a low-key effort to get into shape in time for participating in Livermore Fitness Day on April 14. Persons who are just interested in getting back into good physical condition are also welcome to join the group.

Participants meet each Saturday for the next three months at 9 a.m. for an hour of running or walking aimed at increasing their level of physical fitness. Starting point is in Suite C in the Satsuma Professional Building, 93

South 'S' Street, Livermore (next to Lyon's Restaurant).

Valley Memorial Hospital Staff will offer each participant the opportunity to have a blood pressure check, weigh-in, skinfold measurement for body fat, a wrist circumference to determine body type and a brief nutritional assessment.

Although the group will be meeting on Saturdays only, individuals will be encouraged to develop their own fitness program during the week.

Sponsors of the April 14 event are City of Livermore, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Valley Memorial Hospital and The Herald.

For further information on the program, call Ted Wieskamp, 447-8426 (evenings), and 422-8612 days.

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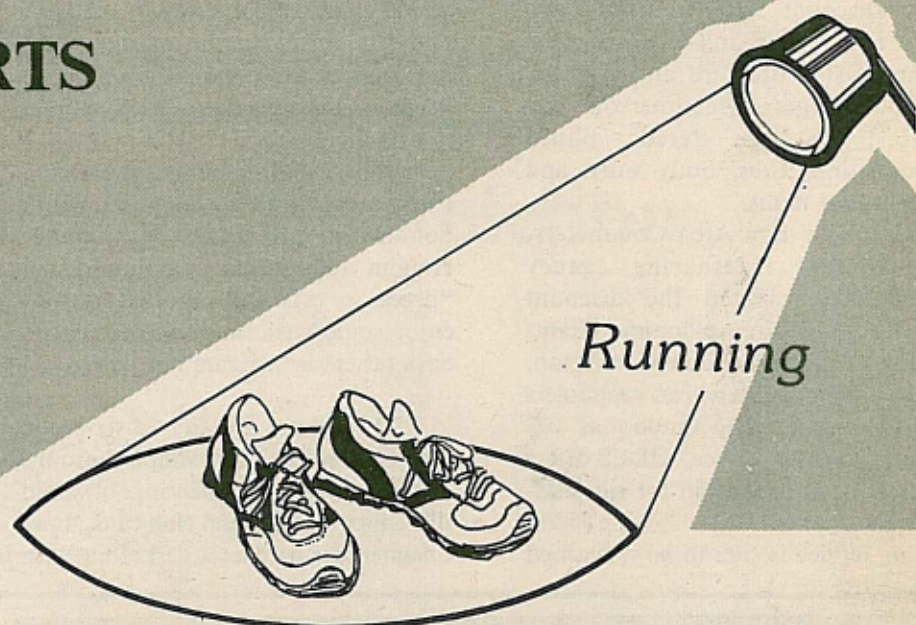
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SPORTS



Spotlight ON SPORTS

"My goals are to keep improving. I want to get stronger and faster. But most of all I just want to keep having fun . . ."



Patti's Performance Indicates Olympic Potential

Pleasanton has a real celebrity in its midst. Or at least one that is certainly destined to be. As Patti Gray continues to fly by the competition in every race from 10Ks to marathons, all eyes in the running world are beginning to turn in her direction in an attempt to catch a glimpse of one of America's rising stars.

Last month, on December 9th, Patti won her first marathon, the Honolulu Marathon, with a time of 2:42:00. The fact that this was only her third marathon and that she fought nagging headwinds on an exceptionally tough course, her impressive win, only 19 minutes off Olympic gold medalist Joan Benoit's 2:22:43 world-record time, has officially established Patti Gray as one of America's top female marathoners.

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The inspiring victory is merely the beginning for this talented athlete, however. In the December issue of City Sport Magazine, she was chosen as a 1984 Running Award winner. The article stated, "...Another top performer plagued with injuries this year was Pleasanton's Patti Gray who didn't race in the mid-half of the year. But before and after, she was unbeatable."

The article continues, "In March, at the TAC National 20K Championships in Sacramento, she won with a brilliant 1:10:49. In the fall season she won Bridge to Bridge by 42 seconds. Then at the Stanford Great Race, she bested a great field in 33:53."

Patti is a 22-year-old University of California, Davis graduate who runs, races, and wins because she loves it. As a small girl Patti began running an occasional run around the block with her father, Michael. "I just loved to be out there. It's so great," she explains. "You hear about that typical runner's-high, and, well . . . it's really like that!"

"I never get bored or tired of running. I never procrastinate workouts. I actually look forward to workouts — even running drills and the really hard work!" She laughs, "The girls on my (Davis track) team tease me and

say, 'Oh, no! here comes Patti — she even likes intervals!'"

"My mother says I'm crazy," Patti says. Maybe so, but now Cheryl Gray is literally following in her daughter's footsteps. Perhaps sneaker prints would be a better phrase. "I'm so happy my mom is running now!" she says. "It's not like she runs a whole lot, but even a couple of miles a day is so good for you. It's really important and it feels so good to be in shape!"



Pleasanton's Patti Davis sports a victory smile and the 1984 Honolulu Marathon first place trophy.

She's really a wisp of a woman, small in stature and thin; Patti appears delicate. However, it takes gumption, courage, strength, and hours of hard training to complete the grueling 26.21 marathon. If there's one thing she knows, though, it's staying in shape. With a degree in physical education, she has now started graduate school in exercise physiology and sports psychology. "I am interested in research exercise physiology — particularly at the elite competitor level," claims Patti.

Convenient — she can interview and study herself! At this point, Patti's chances look very

good for an Olympic team spot in 1988. The modest, down-to-earth young woman isn't one to look four years down the road and speculate on future fame and fortune.

She hasn't yet caught "gold fever"; but is satisfied "just to keep with it and keep on enjoying it." Patti, with the help of her Davis track coach, has drawn a specific plan for her next few years of running. She says, "My goals are to keep improving. I want to get stronger and faster. But most of all I just want to keep having fun at it."

"If I didn't like it so much I would have never stayed with it in the first place." Patti is referring to her years of high school track and cross country at Foothill High School. "I wasn't great. I didn't run State or anything." Patti is just thankful that former Foothill coaches, Keegan and DelTradici, gave her a "good base — so that I still wanted, and was able to keep running."

"Don't get me wrong, it's fun to win. In high school I wanted to be so fast and win so much. But there was nothing I could do about it then," she says. "It's unfortunate, but a lot of high school 'stars' develop too rapidly, and then you never hear about them anymore. They get burned out and quit or they get injured from over-training."

Patti's story, however, is quite the contrary. "No one ever heard about me in high school, that's for sure! Then, suddenly in college I started beating all the people who were so much better than me in high school!" Patti remembers the same competitors passing her by. In frustration she could only watch them go and follow behind toward the finish line.

If the voices of the running world speak true, in time she'll not only run with them, she'll consistently defeat them all.

No more. Fulfilling and surpassing predictions for a promising year, she has startlingly broken into a class of runners, with whom she never dreamed of competing. If the voices of the running world speak true, in time she'll not only run with them, she'll consistently defeat them all. Let there be no mistake, diminutive Patti Gray is a force with which to be reckoned.

Vanpool Commuters Offered Added Incentives

Employees commuting to Pleasanton from as far away as Napa, Sacramento and Santa Cruz have found vanpools the way to go. Vanpooling is a relaxing, inexpensive and fun way to commute.

Now there is another advantage — vanpools can get Vanpool Commuter Club Discount Booklets and Commuter Club Cards, and save even more money. Using the card and booklet, vanpoolers get discounts on bay cruises, gasoline, stereos, photo reproduction, tires, body work and other useful items.

RIDES for Bay Area Commuters, the regional ridesharing agency (861-POOL), created the discount booklet. According to Joanna Grant, RIDES' representative in Pleasanton, "The Commuter Club gives vanpoolers an added incentive to vanpool as well as being another service, RIDES offers to show its appreciation for ridesharing participants."

This service is sure to be welcomed

by employees vanpooling to Pleasanton, such as those employees in pools which have been formed at AT&T Communications. Arthur Wehl drives a fourteen-person pool which originates in San Francisco. He enjoys vanpooling because it eliminates the wear and tear on his personal car which would occur if he drove it to work everyday, cuts down the mileage on his car, reduces his personal gasoline expense, overall, says Wehl, "It is definitely a savings."

Another AT&T employee, Al Hamlin, commutes 80 miles to work from Sonoma in his six-person vanpool. Hamlin admits that commuting is a "necessary evil" but says that he does enjoy some extra time to sleep on the days others in his vanpool drive.

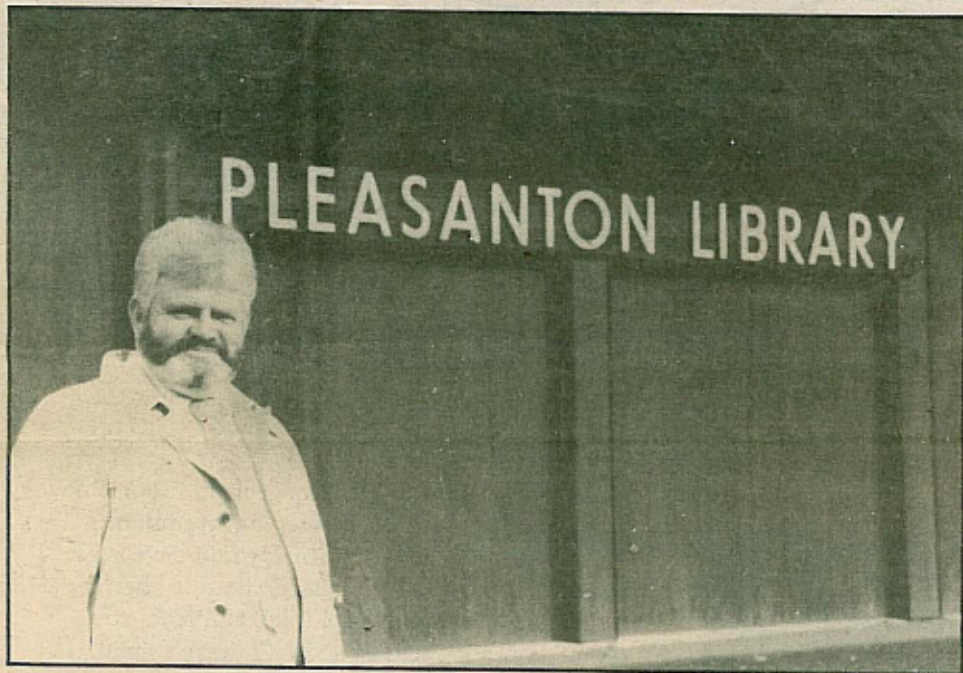
RIDES has already distributed coupon books to 230 vanpool groups in the Bay Area. If your vanpool would like coupon books and club cards, have one member send a request along with



AT&T employees, Ed Megill, Don Harvey, Peggy McGrath, Bill Soha and Al Hamelin, pause for a picture before beginning their daily commute to Sonoma.

\$5.00 to RIDES, Attention: Delfina, 601 Van Ness Ave., Suite 2006, San Francisco, CA 94102. Twenty club membership cards and 20 books will be

sent to the person making the request for distribution to the pool members. For further information, call 861-POOL.



Keith Warden heads up a committee to study the needs for a new library in Pleasanton.

Program Increases Understanding

Bi-Lateral Projects Planned

Pleasanton's Sister City Program is still very active, with plans continuously being formed for bi-lateral projects in 1985.

Bob Athenour, president of Pleasanton's Sister City, Tulencingo, Mexico organization, recently visited their boys' orphanage, "Alberque Infantil Alianza."

Presently, 13 boys, ages 6 to 12, are clothed, fed and housed at the facility. Plans are to house more boys as it becomes feasible.

The operation, established in October, was an inspiration of the women's organization, "Comite de Damas de Alianza." The home is completely supported by donations from the citizens of Tulencingo.

This orphanage, under the chairmanship of Greg Doherty, will be one of the Sister City projects for 1985.

Other projects discussed between Bob and Tulencingo representatives were a student exchange program, a pen-pal program between students, a display of handicrafts and art work, plus other activities, and a visit to Tulencingo in May by members of

Pleasanton's Sister City Committee.

The purpose of the Sister City Program is to increase understanding, not only between Pleasanton and Tulencingo, but among Mexicans and Americans.

Further information about the program can be obtained by calling Bob at 846-3601.



Bob Athenour (center) with boys from the "Alberque Infantil Alianza," orphanage in Tulencingo.

Library Plans Under Study

When the Pleasanton Library on Black Avenue was built ten years ago, it was designed and considered to be a temporary building. And yet, it still stands despite the fact that it is too small for the needs of the community.

Specifically, the Pleasanton Library is one-third the size of the Livermore and Dublin Libraries, while its usage is nearly as great. The library is filled to capacity. Even if the money was available for new books, there would be no room for them.

There has been interest in Pleasanton for several years to replace the present structure. However, while the library is city owned, but the services, i.e., books, staff, etc., are county-furnished, the library and the public were unsure of where to begin such a major project.

Enter Keith Warden, President of the Pleasanton Library League for the past year. "I began talking to several people, and we thought perhaps the Library League might take the initiative. So we have made this project the focus of our efforts," says Warden.

First steps have been taken. With the consent and approval of the city council, which was previously divided on the issue, the Library League has set out to engage the community at large. In order to develop a proposal which will then be included in the City's Capitol Improvement Plan, a ten-member

steering committee has been formed and will hold open meetings over the next four months.

"We know the facility is woefully inadequate, but there are still many questions to be answered," states Warden. The first three items on the agenda are site location, services to be provided, and City vs. County ownership.

The library is a non-profitmaking venture. Being a public service, a community library must be supported by some form of tax revenue. "Public monies support the library system. And it's an important public service," Warden says. "I think a library is invaluable to a community — everyone uses the library."

The steering committee, along with a larger committee formed of interested citizens, will meet in the City Council chambers on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month until the end of April. The public is not only invited, but encouraged to attend.

If you would like to become involved or would like more information, contact Carol Starr at the Pleasanton Library, 462-3535, or call Keith Warden at 463-2544.

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The "Labor of Love" committee still needs door prize and auction donations as well. Anything from a bottle of champagne to a stereo system or a weekend getaway could be used. They also need a pianist (or a sponsor to cover such an expense — approximately \$130), and volunteers to sell drink tickets at the event and others to help with cleanup.

If you would like more information on the Renovation Project and "Labor of Love," or if you think you might be able to help provide some of the needed items or services, you should call Phyllis Wentworth at 462-2400.

For more information on the Chairioteer Campaign, you can reach the project Chairman, Councilman Walt Wood at 846-3166.