

# THE OUTLOOK



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## PG&E Pipeline Pathways tree removal program

PG&E's Pipeline Pathways Project proposes to clear all vegetation within 10 feet on each side of their gas transmission pipeline that runs throughout the City. The area impacted includes Contra Costa Boulevard (from Pacheco to Boyd Road area), Hookston Road, and along the Iron Horse Trail near Lisa Lane.

A total of 180 trees are proposed for removal—95 trees in the City's public right of way and 85 trees on a combination of privately owned property and land controlled by various public agencies (MDUSD, CALTRANS, and East Bay Regional Parks). In addition, 105 trees are proposed for pruning and 40 shrubs or bushes are also proposed for removal.

The City has informed PG&E of its objections to this project and has been in contact with PG&E staff to seek its cooperation to address the community's concerns about the tree removal program.

At the City Council meeting on April 7, PG&E representatives made a presentation on the Pipeline Pathways

Program. **PG&E stated that all protected trees under the City's ordinance, whether on private or public property, would not be removed without prior agreement from the City.** City staff and PG&E have since been engaged in discussions to work out an agreement. The discussions are ongoing.

### Tree removals on private property

PG&E has indicated that tree removals proposed on private property can be halted at the private property owner's request. Property owners affected by this program who have already signed a document granting PG&E consent to remove any trees can

contact PG&E and rescind the consent. The City has also sent letters to impacted owners advising them to make sure that PG&E adheres to permitting requirements for tree removal.

Tree removals on private property must comply with the City's tree ordinance requirements. Property owners should confirm in writing with PG&E that it will only remove trees after submitting a tree removal permit application or exemption request to the City for review and approval. Failure to obtain a tree removal permit is a violation of the Municipal Code and could result in criminal penalties against the property owner.

**PG&E contact information**

Further information concerning the PG&E Pipeline Pathways program can be obtained from PG&E by emailing Tom Guarino at [tgg3@pge.com](mailto:tgg3@pge.com) or calling Greg Gillis at 415-973-2137.



**Council to consider Plastic bag BAN**

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### New stores opening in Pleasant Hill

**Dick's Sporting Goods** will have its Grand Opening Weekend beginning Friday, May 9th at 8:00am. The 73,000 square foot retail store is located in the Crossroads Shopping Center at 2314 Monument Blvd. The vacant building adjacent to Dick's Sporting Goods is currently under renovation and will house a Designer Shoe Warehouse store which is due to open later this year.

**HomeGoods** is scheduled to open in early summer at the former site of the Barnes & Noble bookstore in the Target Shopping Center on Contra Costa Blvd.

**Atlas & Athena** boutique clothing store recently opened on Crescent Drive in Downtown Pleasant Hill. The store is located in the Clocktower Building next to Pasta Pomodoro. **Sally Beauty Supply** also opened recently in Downtown (adjacent to the UPS Store), and currently under construction is **Gotta Eata Pita** also on Crescent Drive.



### Off the Grid food market comes to town

**Off the Grid**, the most prevalent network of street food markets in the Bay Area, is launching a weekly food truck market that will be held in the evening from 5:00–9:00pm. Off the Grid will introduce 8-10 rotating trucks on Trelany Road (behind City Hall) to bring the best of Bay Area street food to Pleasant Hill residents and families. The range of vendors will provide creative culinary concepts that appeal to all palates. The market is scheduled to open in late May or early June.



### Retail sales climb in Pleasant Hill

The City received exciting news that the projected sales tax revenue for fiscal year 2014/15 is projected to be \$7.75 million. This projection of sales tax revenue will be the highest amount the City has ever received in any one-year period. The previous highest sales tax revenue (\$7.4 million) was in 2007/08 just prior to the recession.

### Farmers' Market open on Saturdays!

The Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market is on the move this year. The season grand opening is on Saturday, May 3 at its new location on Trelany Road (next to City Hall). The market will be held every Saturday from 9am until 1pm.

The opening day ceremonies will be a fun-filled celebration to kick off the start of a brand new season. "We're excited about the return of the Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market," said John Silveira,

### Farmers' Market moves to Trelany Road

Director of Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association. "The market will continue to provide the community with healthy produce options and live entertainment, in a great new location in downtown Pleasant Hill."

On opening day, the Chamber of Commerce will have a ribbon cutting ceremony, live entertainment will keep your toes tapping, and arts and crafts will keep the kids occupied. Trelany Road is the perfect setting for those wanting to buy locally grown produce while enjoying everything downtown Pleasant

Hill has to offer. There are grassy areas near the market for picnics and for listening to music, and a variety of local farmers and food producers will be there throughout the season to provide fresh seasonal produce, such as strawberries, asparagus, cherries, peaches, and summer squash, and hand-crafted foods to enjoy.

**Bring family and friends and enjoy your local farmers' market. The market will remain open through the season until November 15.**

## You are invited to the Pleasant Hill Gateway Design kick off meeting!

- ?** What are the unique qualities of Pleasant Hill that shape our identity?
- ?** Where are the main entries to welcome visitors and highlight the City's identity?
- ?** What public destinations need additional signs to help you navigate there?

These are some of the questions we will explore as we kick off the City and consultant-led planning process to design a series of gateway features marking the entries to Pleasant Hill. During the process we will be focusing on understanding the important features that make up the unique character of this community. Starting points may include natural features, the social fabric of residents, students, and families, town history, and the strong business community.



The 6-8 month process will include several public workshop meetings to give critical input to guide the design team. Additional outreach includes focus groups, commission meetings, and online postings. Attendance at the first meeting will be important to set the initial direction. See you there!

- **WHEN:** June 12, 2014, 6:30-8:00pm
- **WHERE:** Community Meeting Room, City Hall
- **WHO:** Residents, merchants, and students interested in defining community gateways.
- Light refreshments will be provided.

**PLEASANT HILL FARMERS' MARKET**  
**Saturdays, 9 am - 1 pm**  
**May 3 - Nov. 15**  
**Gregory Lane and Trelany Road**

Your neighborhood Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market is the best place for locally-grown seasonal fruits and vegetables. Along with the freshest produce around, the Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market offers local baked goods, gourmet food items, farm fresh eggs, local honey, live music, family fun and much more!

**We Gladly Accept:**  
**WIC/EBT**

pcfma.com/pleasanthill  
**1.800.949.FARM**

# 15% VOLUNTARY DROUGHT PROGRAM

**California is facing a significant water shortfall.**  
 It's time to renew your conservation efforts and ensure you're using water wisely

**Please Do...**

- Continue your conservation-minded indoor water use
- Reduce your outdoor discretionary water use
- Sign up for the WATERSAVER e-Newsletter at [www.ccwater.com](http://www.ccwater.com)

**Program Details...**

- Voluntary 15% reduction in historical water use (historical use is an average of 2005-07 water use at your residence)
- Focus reductions on outdoor water use
- Recent conservation efforts do not count against you

CCWD has numerous conservation programs, including water-use evaluations and rebates, to help you conserve water and meet the voluntary drought program goal. More conservation tips and information are available at [www.ccwater.com/conserve](http://www.ccwater.com/conserve) or 925-685-8320.

**May 18–24, 2014...  
National Public Works Week  
celebrates community**

Those who work in professions that provide and maintain public facilities and services will be honored during National Public Works Week, May 18-24, 2014. Since 1960, the American Public Works Association (APWA) has sponsored National Public Works Week.

This week is meant to energize and educate the public on the importance of the contribution of public works to their daily lives—planning, building, managing, and operating the heart of our community and building the quality of life for all.

Public works professionals include those who manage water, sewer, and the public right of way, as well as those responsible for maintaining public buildings, streets, and landscaping. They are the people who maintain and improve the systems and services vital to a community's health, safety, and comfort.

**...And WE celebrate our Public Works Division!**



**Maintenance Division...at your service**

Did you know the City boasts an outstanding Public Works maintenance staff comprised of 16 members with 313 years of combined service—and the most tenured employee, Mike Furtado, has served the community for almost 37 years! The Maintenance Division staff provides vital services that enhance the quality of life for all Pleasant Hill residents and businesses.

The 'guys in the orange vests' maintain 105 miles of roads, hundreds of street signs, catch basins, and street lights. They fix the potholes, ensure that the creeks are kept clear of debris to prevent flooding, and remove graffiti quickly and without any fuss. They paint the curbs and maintain the landscaping in about 100 acres of public areas such as medians and entryways.

They also provide building maintenance and service to the City's 87 vehicles including the Police Department's fleet. ♣



Paul Graham planting new flowers at Grayson Woods.



Thirty-seven-year veteran, Mike Furtado, maintains the grounds of the City Hall complex.

**The City Council will recognize its Public Works Department with a Proclamation at the May 12, 2014 meeting.**



Doug Conant oversees the maintenance of the City Hall buildings.



(L-R) Joshua Smith, Mark Pini and Jason Perry clearing swale along Taylor Blvd.



Tom Olsen mowing the triangular medians at Pleasant Hill Road and Taylor Blvd.

## For our seniors

### Adopt a pet and live longer!

What if a new drug were announced that could improve multiple conditions associated with aging?

Something that was inexpensive and had no side effects? That would be a pretty exciting development. And the best news is that it's already here.

The benefits of pet ownership have been well documented. According to Dr. Edward Creagan, oncologist at the Mayo Clinic, "A pet is a medication without side effects that has so many benefits. I can't always explain it myself, but for years now I've seen how instances of having a pet are like an effective drug. It really does help people."

Studies have shown that seniors with pets go to the doctor less with minor health issues, and they even have lower levels of blood pressure and cholesterol as compared to non-pet owners. Simply petting a cat or dog can lower blood pressure, help your body release a relaxation hormone, and cut down on levels of stress hormones.

According to WebMD.com, owning a pet can ward off depression and contribute to an overall better mood. Dogs motivate owners to get outside and walk. Exercise is a proven mood booster. Rover doesn't care if it's chilly or drizzling outside. And while out walking him, you're more likely to engage socially (everyone loves to talk about their pet).

Another big benefit of pets is the sense of purpose that caring for an animal provides. As people age, they sometimes lose a sense of meaning and purpose in their lives. Being responsible for the life and wellbeing of another creature has value. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "To leave the world a better place—whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or an improved social condition—that is to have succeeded. That only one life breathed easier because you lived—that is success." Even if that life is a furry or feathered friend.



### How does your car fit?

Free event sponsored by the Commission on Aging



CarFit is a FREE program to offer older adults the opportunity to check how their personal cars "fit" them. Trained professionals lead drivers through a 12-point checklist with the vehicle, recommend car adjustments and adaptations, and offer community-specific resources and activities that could make their cars "fit" better or enhance their safety.

- **WHEN:** Saturday, May 17, 10:00am to 1:00pm.  
Reservations are required for the 20-minute appointments.  
Contact Juanita Davalos 925-671-5267
- **WHERE:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints,  
555 Boyd Road, Pleasant Hill

*Sponsoring/participating organizations for the event include: City of Pleasant Hill, Commission on Aging, Kaiser Permanente, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Allstar Medical Supply, AAA, AARP, and AOTA.*

### Senior Center events and activities

#### ■ Care Management Series (FREE)

- May 8—Veteran's Benefits; What is it and How do I get it?
- June 12—Using Technology to Find Placement

The Care Management Series brings a variety of topics from experts in our community. This series is sponsored by the Chateaus of Pleasant Hill. Held the 2nd Thursday of each month from 2pm to 3:30pm at the Senior Center. Space is limited. RSVP required. Call 925-798-8788.

#### ■ Pancake Breakfasts

- May 4, June 1, 8–10am
- PH Senior Center, Chateau Room

Bring your whole family for a delicious pancake breakfast including pancakes (of course) or French toast, eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee. All ages welcome! Tickets: Adults (11+): \$5, Children (5-10yrs): \$3, 4 & under: Free!



#### ■ Memorial Day Social —FREE

- May 23, 1pm
  - PH Senior Center, Chateau Room
- Celebrate Veterans with a program including PHSC's very own Golden Notes Choir and Olympic High School's JROTC then enjoy an ice cream treat after.

#### ■ Thirsty Thursday

- Thursday, June 26, 4–6pm
- PH Senior Center, Dining Room

Kick off the weekend early! Enjoy this spin-off of Taste of the Vine with a Margarita Twist! Wine, Margaritas, and light hors d'oeuvres will be served. Non-alcoholic beverages also available. Sponsored by The Chateaus of Pleasant Hill. \$10/ \$15 tickets sold at the door based on availability. ♣



## Preserving our environment

### Déjà vu—another Green Certified Business in Pleasant Hill

Boutique clothing store, Déjà vu, was recently certified as a Green Business through the Contra Costa Green Business Program. It is located at 1630 Contra Costa Blvd.

Déjà vu is a consignment store specializing in the resale of women's clothing, shoes and accessories, where gently used items get a second chance, all at affordable prices. Selection includes a wide and ever-changing selection of brand-name dresses, evening wear, handbags, jewelry and much more.

"It's nice that the store is acknowledged for being the epitome of recycling," owner Nancy Rondum said.

While recycling is generally linked with the bottles and papers hauled away at the curb, clothing is not to be forgotten. Fast fashion dominates the marketplace, alluring shoppers with cheap prices and ever changing styles. What many shoppers may not consider is the actual

cost of producing these products, which can include labor issues, general resource consumption and increased pollution.

Déjà vu is therefore a refreshing addition to a healthy crop of thrift and consignment shops in Pleasant Hill with its emphasis on secondhand, high quality women's apparel.

"This is the ultimate in reuse and that's what makes them a green business," said Paris Greenlee, director of the Green Business Program. "They are taking these materials that are really good and passing it forward to someone else. It's reuse in the best sense."

To obtain certification, Déjà vu completed several other tasks related to energy efficiency and waste reduction.



Nancy Rondum, owner of Déjà vu

"Aside from offering secondhand brand name clothing at affordable prices, and being a locally owned business, knowing they've taken every step to be as green as possible has guaranteed them a devoted customer in me," said Anne Baker, Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce's Green Business Director. ♣

## Backyard Composting Workshop at City Hall

**Thursday May 8 and Tuesday June 3**

The City of Pleasant Hill is hosting FREE backyard composting workshops and offering residents high-quality compost bins for \$40 (retail \$129) for those who attend a workshop. Composting your yard trimmings and food scraps is easy, great for your yard and garden, kind to our environment and good for you too! Save money, save water, and conserve natural resources.



Find out how—attend a free workshop—register now by calling Annette Kaufmann at 925-671-5265 or go to [www.pleasant-hill.net/compost](http://www.pleasant-hill.net/compost).

The workshops are one hour in duration. The next workshops will be held **Thursday, May 8** and **Tuesday, June 3**.

All workshops are from 7pm to 8pm in the large Community Room at City Hall. **Sign up at [www.pleasant-hill.net/compost](http://www.pleasant-hill.net/compost).**



Celebrate **National Bike Month** and **California Bike Commute Week** in May with **Bike to Work Day**. Bike to Work Day is a promotional event to encourage non-bike riders to try commuting by bicycle.



There will be Energizer Stations throughout the San Francisco Bay Area where cyclists can stop by for refreshments and promotional items. In Pleasant Hill:

- ▶ Contra Costa Canal Trail at Gregory Lane, 7:30-8:45am and 4:00-6:00pm, Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District
- ▶ Contra Costa Canal Trail at Golf Club Road, 3:00-5:30pm

# Plastic bag BAN proposed for Pleasant Hill



The City of Pleasant Hill is considering an ordinance to prohibit the distribution of single-use (plastic) carryout bags in all retail stores including restaurants. Under the ordinance, all grocery and retail stores in Pleasant Hill would no longer provide single-use carryout plastic bags.

Under the proposed ordinance, stores may sell paper bags (made from recycled content) for a minimum of 10 cents for each bag. Stores will also be encouraged to sell other types of reusable shopping bags. Protective plastic or paper bags, without handles, for items such as meat, fresh produce, dry-cleaned clothes and prescription medications will still be allowed. Consumers will have the option to bring their own reusable bags or pay for recycled paper bags.



The City Council will consider the proposed ordinance as soon as July 2014. If adopted, the ban on plastic bags at retail stores would take effect six months after adoption which would probably occur in early 2015.

For more information about the proposed ordinance, go to [www.pleasant-hill.net/plastic-bags](http://www.pleasant-hill.net/plastic-bags).

WHAT  
DO  
YOU  
THINK?



City staff would like to hear from residents and business owners about the ordinance. On the webpage listed above, you will find a link to an online survey. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and provide your feedback.

If you wish to speak to City staff regarding the ordinance, please email Martin Nelis at [mnelis@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us](mailto:mnelis@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us) or call 925-671-5229.

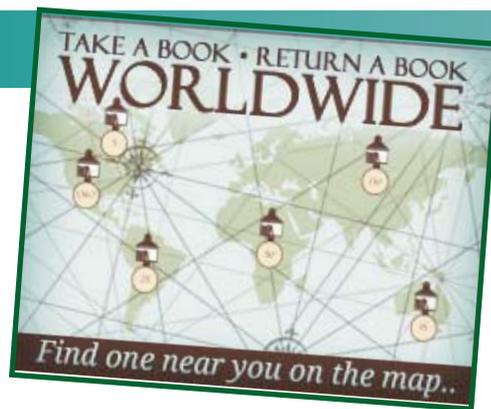
### First Little Free Library opens in Pleasant Hill

A recent article in the Contra Costa Times about a Little Free Library in Martinez inspired Cynthia Drive residents, Les Schiller and Sherry Cartmill, to build one for their neighborhood.

The Little Free Library movement was started in 2010 by Wisconsin residents Todd Bol of Hudson and Rick Brooks of Madison. Their mission is to "Promote literacy and the love of reading by building free book exchanges worldwide, to foster a sense of community and connection by sharing skills, creativity and wisdom across generations." Their goal was to build more than 2, 510 libraries worldwide (to equal the number of "real" libraries built by Andrew Carnegie).

And with the new Cynthia Drive library, registered at [www.littlefreelibrary.org](http://www.littlefreelibrary.org) as number 12,133, they have more than succeeded.

Sherry found the plans and building instructions on the internet, and Les built a two-shelf library from leftover fencing, scavenged Plexiglas, and other used materials. The only new parts are the hinges and the roof. It has become a real neighborhood project. Stan U'Ren found the posts and planted the library firmly into the ground. Danny Cartmill put on the roof, Cliff and Gerrie Chappell, Jean Teifel and Barbara Cantor all contributed books. In the two months that it has been "open" many neighbors have come by to



borrow books and/or add to the collection. The rules are take a book and enjoy it, keep it if you like or bring it back when you have finished. Add books you would like to share with others.

This truly has fostered a sense of community and connection! The library is located at 191 Cynthia Drive and everyone is welcome to stop by. If you would like to contribute books they need more children's stories and books for teens.

Plans to build your own can be found in the info box below the library and for the whole Little Free Library story visit their website, [www.littlefreelibrary.org](http://www.littlefreelibrary.org). ♣



Cynthia Dr. "librarians" - Gerrie, Sherry, Stan, Les and Danny

### Pleasant Hill 4th of July Celebration for 2014

The Pleasant Hill 4th of July Commission has selected the theme and the Grand Marshal for the 2014 celebration. The theme is Hats Off to America!

The 2014 Parade Grand Marshal will be Dee Wood. Dee has been an active member of the Fourth of July Commission since 1991, serving as Treasurer, Entertainment Chair and Parade Coordinator. The semi-retired bookkeeper and payroll specialist has been active in the Chamber of Commerce and has been honored as both Business Person of the Year and Citizen of the Year. She has also been involved with several music and choral groups, as both participant and director.

Dee and her family have lived in Pleasant Hill for over 40 years. They moved here from San Francisco after concluding "This place feels like home!" Her many contributions to Pleasant Hill in

general and the Fourth of July celebrations in particular make Dee the perfect choice for Grand Marshal.

#### Activity plans are moving forward

The Commission members are planning lots of fun activities for the 38th annual celebration. The whole family can participate in the Firecracker 5K Fun Run. Check the website [www.phjuly4.com](http://www.phjuly4.com) for updated information about online registration information.

Parade entries are coming in and the entertainment, food vendors, children's

games and activities for the Party in the Park have been confirmed. New this year—Pleasant Hill Rec will add to the Party in the Park by having the Park's Sprayground and swimming pools OPEN FREE from 11am to 1pm.

The site of the spectacular Fireworks presentation will again be College Park High School. Come for dinner and stay for an amazing show! Slow Hand Barbeque and Cold Stone Creamery will be selling their delicious food and desserts. Look for more information and reminders as the 4th of July approaches.

Thoughts and ideas are always welcome. For information about planning or volunteering, please contact Allen Vinson at 925-938-2373.



## Fight cancer at two events this year

Two cancer-fighting awareness and fundraising events are coming up soon—Mini-Relay and Relay For Life®.

### May 23—Mini-Relay For Life

From 4 to 7pm, students at College Park High School will hold a Mini-Relay For Life.

Like a full Relay, it will open with a salute to cancer survivors. There will also be a Luminaria ceremony to honor those stricken by cancer and a “fight back” rally to encourage cancer-fighting practices such as regular screenings and quitting smoking. The keynote speaker will be College Park teacher John Altschull, adviser to the Key Club, which is one of several student organizations sponsoring the Mini-Relay.

### June 7-8—Relay For Life

From 9am to 9am the fifth annual Relay For Life of Pleasant Hill will be held at the Pleasant Hill Middle School track. A benefit for the American Cancer Society, this is a 24-hour event to signify that cancer never sleeps and neither does the fight against cancer.

Members of the public, including children and people of all abilities, are invited to visit this free event and take part in some of the many activities throughout the day and evening. Of particular interest is the solemn Luminaria ceremony to remember those who are fighting or have lost the fight against cancer. It is held after sundown, and the evening is illuminated by glow sticks.

At the Relay, teams that have been raising money for weeks or months will have at least one member walking the track throughout the event. Energetic and entertaining activities on Saturday will include exercise classes, goofy-themed laps, a Kids Zone, live music, and “fun” happenings with cancer awareness messages. The Relay ends at 9 a.m. Sunday with a “fight back” lap to underscore participants’ pledges to healthy lifestyles and specific cancer-thwarting efforts.

Details about the PH Relay can be found on its website, <http://relayforlife.org/pleasanthillca>, by calling 925-944-4898, or by e-mailing [relayforlifeph@yahoo.com](mailto:relayforlifeph@yahoo.com), or. ♣

## Pleasant Hill Lions’ events

The Lions Clubs of California have a Student Speakers Contest every year that is open to high school students. Participants begin at the local Lions Club level, and the winner moves up to the next level. The final winner of the State contest wins approximately \$20,000. The student who won at the Pleasant Hill Lions Club level, Paul Grunder, has advanced two more levels. If Paul wins at the next level, he will win \$4,500 and, of course, move on to the next level. Good luck, Paul!

The Pleasant Hill Lions Club co-sponsored the “Egg-Citing Egg Hunt” with the Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District on April 19. The Lions provided the “eggs,” along with complimentary coffee, donuts, and water for everyone. What a great time the kids had!



The Lions District, consisting of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, has an upcoming event called “Special Kids Day” on May 10. It is for children with special needs and is held at a ranch near Brentwood. Over 1,500 children attend, and there are motorcycle rides, face painting, bounce houses, petting zoo, game booths, fishing booths, etc. The kids have a lot of fun, and if you know someone who would like to attend, please call Don Flaskerud at 925-680-1871.

The Pleasant Hill Lions will again be providing a “Pancake Breakfast” for the participants of the “Relay for Life” fundraiser on June 8. This great event is sponsored by the American Cancer Society. If you want to participate or donate money, call Thierry Guichard at 925-798-1190.

The Lions International motto is “We Serve.” As you read above, the Pleasant Hill Lions “serve” this community. If you would like more information to learn about Lions and maybe join, call Ken Wombacher at 925-683-7946 for more information. ♣

Join the American Cancer Society to help finish the fight against cancer.

Find a Relay For Life event in your community at [RelayForLife.org](http://RelayForLife.org).



## Host families needed for Rotary Youth Exchange student

Each year Rotary districts worldwide arrange more than 9,000 international youth exchanges for secondary school students. A primary goal of the program is to foster world understanding and peace through intercultural exchange.

This year the Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill has been thrilled to host Rita Gebert from Austria. Rita will be returning home in July with a wide range of experiences and a very strong grasp of the English language under her belt.



Rotary Club President Michael Saenz, Youth Exchange Director Jennifer Grossi, and Youth Exchange Student Rita Gebert

Our club is hoping to sponsor another Youth Exchange student for the 2014-2015 College Park High School year. The student will arrive in mid August and return to their native country in mid July 2015.

The Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill is looking for volunteer host families to host this student, each family for a 3-1/2 to 4-month period for the fall, winter, and spring. Host families come in all shapes and sizes that might include young children, older children, or no children at all. Like other Rotary-sponsored Youth Exchange students, this student will be provided a monthly allowance by Rotary.

As a host family, you will be asked to provide the student with a safe, nonthreatening, respectful, and appropriate home environment, where they have their own bed (they may share a room, but only with a sibling of the same gender and around the same age), a private area to study, and daily meals. In addition to providing room and board, host parents are expected to exercise general parental supervision, as would the exchangee's own parents. Make her/him part of your family!

Youth Exchange promises to enrich the lives of the student and every member of your family. It allows you, as a host family, to become familiar with another

culture, and provides you the opportunity to share a young student's hopes and ambitions. Exchange students stay in your lives for awhile, but they stay in your hearts forever.

### Outbound Youth Exchange

In addition, Rotary sponsors outbound students to live abroad in one of 188 countries with Rotary host families, anywhere from a few months to an entire year. If your student has an interest, please contact us today to learn more. The Rotary Youth Exchange program is for students 15 to 18 years old. We find the majority of American students choose to go right after they graduate high school. Most colleges will hold the student's admission slot because the exchange experience makes students more prepared for college.

For more information about this wonderful life-enriching opportunity, please contact Jennifer Grossi at the Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill: 925-285-1004 or [jennifergrossi@grossigroup.com](mailto:jennifergrossi@grossigroup.com).

## Music for memories: A Silver Award project

Girl Scouts, Kayla Kelly and Juliana Friis from Troop 3268 are working on their Silver Award! Their award project is to help the elderly with dementia to use music to stimulate memories.

Music is an integral part of human memories. A song from our past can invoke an emotional response. We all remember specific times in our lives when we hear certain songs and can sing along to songs we heard when we were children.

Kayla and Juliana are collecting used iPods, MP3 players and iTunes gift cards. Collection boxes are located at Christ the King Church, Grace Healthcare of Pleasant Hill, and Valley View Middle School.

The music players will be pre-loaded with chosen music for residents at Grace Healthcare of Pleasant Hill and Grace Healthcare of Moraga. Please donate your music players or iTunes gift cards at any of those locations. For more information on this project, contact Kayla Kelly at [kelly0894@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kelly0894@sbcglobal.net). ♣



Girl Scout  
Silver Award



## PH Library activities...

### ► Friends of the Library book sale and free e-waste drop-off

Tuesday, May 10, 10:00-3:30pm

Support your library and find great deals on books in the parking lot behind the library. Paperbacks 50 cents and hardbacks are a \$1.

### ► Muslim Journeys\*

Tuesdays, May 6, 6pm

The Library is hosting a community reading and discussion series focusing on the connected histories of Islam and the West. The discussion will be led by nationally-renowned scholar Dr. Hatem Bazian of UC Berkeley and will take place at the Pleasant Hill Senior Center. See [guides.ccclib.org/journeys](http://guides.ccclib.org/journeys). \*Supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities in collaboration with the American Library Association.

### ► Comic Book Night

Tuesday, May 6, 6:30-8:00pm

Come in costume to celebrate your favorite funnies and superheroes at the library. Following free comic book day, you can pick up your own free comics and make your very own at this creative family event.

### ► Classical Music of North India

Tuesday, May 13, 6:30pm

Join us for an evening of Indian classical music created from the sitar and tabla. The musicians will integrate information about the instruments and the musical lineages of India throughout the concert.

### ► Color Wheel Party (and book release!)

Tuesday, June 3, 6:30pm

Explore the wonderful world of color through crafts and games! With the release of the new kids' book: *The Wonderful Colorful Wonder Wheel of Color*, we're learning how to pick, use, and mix colors. Kids of all ages will have tons of fun with a rainbow of artistic activities.

### ► Busy Bee Dogs

Tuesday, June 24, 6:30-7:30pm

These formerly homeless pets will amaze and entertain crowds of all ages. The talented pups will show off dozens of tricks with a little help from volunteers in the audience.

### ► Eco Sewing

Last Wednesday each month  
3:00-5:00pm

Learn sewing machine skills and create fabulous up-cycled fabric creations! This fun, youth craft will be led by a local recycling educator and artist.

### ► Lego Creators Club (with Robots!)

Every Saturday, 2:00pm

Make anything you can imagine with our huge collection of Legos! Plus new challenges and tips every meeting. This season, explore the programmable universe of Lego Mindstorms with the library's new EV3 robotics kits!

### ► Doorstep Farmers

Every Tuesday, 5:00-7:00pm

Pick up a box of organic fruits and vegetables every week at the Library! Contact Doorstep Farmers directly to sign up at 925-349-4568 or [www.doorstepfarmers.com](http://www.doorstepfarmers.com). All subscribers who request delivery at the Library have the option to donate 5% to the Pleasant Hill Library.

### ► One-on-One Computer Tutor

Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Tutors assist with setting up email, Microsoft Word, basic Internet searches, printing and saving, and also with digital gadgets like laptops, smart phones, eReaders, and cameras. Please call or make an online reservation at [www.ccclib.org](http://www.ccclib.org).

### ► English Conversation Practice for Adults

Every Wednesday, 1:30-2:30pm

Practice speaking and listening to English in a casual ESL conversation group run by library staff. Drop-ins welcome. ♣

### Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library Board and Annual Membership Meetings

Saturday, May 3, 10am-12pm

The Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library is an organization dedicated to improving library services in Pleasant Hill. The board meeting will begin at 10am and the annual membership meeting will begin at 11am.



## Just for teens

### ► Wii Wednesdays for Teens

Every 1st Wednesday of the month, 3:00-4:30pm

Come have fun and meet other teens at the Library while getting your game on!

### ► Teen Advisory Group

Every second Wednesday  
3:30-5:00pm

Meet with other community teens and the young adult librarian to share and plan what you want to see happen at the library.

## Storytimes

Every Wednesday,  
Thursday, Friday, and  
Saturday, 11:15am, plus  
Friday afternoons, 1:15pm

Introduce your child to the wonderful world of words at any of our fun and musical storytimes!



### Library Meeting Room

Available during library open hours. Details on how to reserve the room at [www.ccclib.org](http://www.ccclib.org).

Please check the library's Website for additional information and details on all events at [www.ccclib.org/locations/pleasanthill.html](http://www.ccclib.org/locations/pleasanthill.html)

A series of five workshops are being held at JFK University as part of the MA Program in Consciousness and Transformative Studies. The workshops are free and open to the general public.

➤ **Dream Merging: Using your Dreams to inform Your Life**  
**Saturday, May 31, 10am–4pm, Room N166**

What are dreams? What do they mean? Do they have any relevance to our waking life? Come to this inspiring and revealing workshop where you will have the opportunity to learn more about the night-time stories and images we call dreams. You will acquire the necessary tools to engage with your dreams using a multidimensional perspective, revealing their meaning and helping you develop a natural and intuitive response for conscious and creative choice making.

José Verdú is an avid dreamer and a master's candidate in Consciousness and Transformative Studies at John F. Kennedy University. For information and to RSVP, please contact him at [josealejandroversdu@gmail.com](mailto:josealejandroversdu@gmail.com).

➤ **Real Love: Empowering Women in Toxic Relationships**  
**Saturday, May 31, 10am–4pm, Room N163**

Are you struggling to find love in your love life? Do you keep falling for Mr. Wrong? This workshop is an exploration of the love that you have in your heart—the love for yourself.

This one-day workshop will help you:

- ❑ Get clear on what you need to feel loved, and how to ask for it.
- ❑ Shift your perception of lovingness from an external need to a greater sense of self-care.
- ❑ Learn the difference between intensity and intimacy.

For more information and to reserve a space, please contact Deborah at [devwood48@gmail.com](mailto:devwood48@gmail.com).

Deborah is an intuitive coach at [soulpresents.com](http://soulpresents.com). She is completing her Master's degree in Consciousness and Transformative studies at JFKU.

➤ **Building and Sustaining Community**  
**Saturday, June 7, 10 am–4 pm, Room N166**

Are you interested in learning how to encourage community development and curious about the components necessary for sustaining community? Join us for a day of community building! Learn how greater self-awareness can lead to positive social change in our community and examine the relationship between personal growth and community development. Become a change agent in your community!

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Demetria at [dlawrence@email.jfku.edu](mailto:dlawrence@email.jfku.edu). Demetria Lawrence has been an educator in the community college system for 10 years.



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## JFK University to host veteran's workshop

JFK University will host its third biennial workshop FRONT LINE TO HOME FRONT: BACK TO BASICS on Saturday, May 17, at the Pleasant Hill campus. This year's workshop will focus on topics essential for understanding the impacts of war and the issues that veterans face in adjusting to civilian life.

In addition to providing sessions designed for mental health professionals, community health professionals, and others, this year's event will offer special sessions specifically for veterans and their families with benefits information and practical techniques for managing adjustment stress, including woodworking, music, and animals.

The event is free for veterans and service members. General admission is \$35 which includes lunch. For more information about the event, visit [www.jfku](http://www.jfku).

➤ **Developing Emotional Intelligence in the Workplace**  
**Saturday, June 7, 10am–4pm, Room N171**

Want to enhance your personal effectiveness in the workplace...and take charge of your professional development? Come to this interactive, experiential and supportive workshop, where you will learn:

- ❑ What emotional intelligence (EQ) is all about
- ❑ How emotions work to influence thought and behavior
- ❑ Surprising facts of why others behave the way they do
- ❑ How to increase your own EQ awareness

This one-day workshop is free and open to the public. To reserve your seat, email [maggief722@gmail.com](mailto:maggief722@gmail.com).

Maggie Franco is pursuing her MA in Consciousness and Transformative Studies at John F. Kennedy University. She brings over ten years of business experience, along with her self-awareness, compassion and empathy for helping others become aware of emotional patterns.

➤ **Conscious Wealth**  
**Saturday, June 7, 2014, 10am– 4pm, Room N163**

Are you always seeking more? Do you feel like you never have enough money? It's time to stop stressing about your finances and welcome abundance into your life now.

In this inspirational one-day workshop, you will learn the tools to:

- ❑ Clarify your personal goals and values.
- ❑ Remove the blocks between you and wealth.
- ❑ Enrich both your net-worth and self-worth.

Start today to break free from scarcity and create abundance in your life. Seating is limited. To reserve your place, email [julianapark@outlook.com](mailto:julianapark@outlook.com). Author and Financial Advisor, Juliana Park will radically shift your relationship with money—and yourself. Her upcoming book, *The Abundance Loop*, will be released next year.

Get wet this summer!



World's Largest Swimming Lesson —FREE

June 20th, 8:00–8:30am

Take part in this fantastic attempt to set a Guinness World Record™ for the World's Largest Swim Lesson. Pre-registration required by June 19. Visit pleasanthillrec.com



PH Aquatic Center opens Memorial Day Weekend!

Purchase your PHRec public swim passes now! 15-visit punch cards and family swim passes available at pleasanthillrec.com

Dolfin's 50th anniversary reunion festivities, August 22-23

Celebrate 50th years of Have Fun! Swim Fast! All former team members and families welcome.

Visit pleasanthillrec.com/aquatics/dolfinsswimteam.html for all event details.

Sign up for PHRec Summer Camps

LEGO, Harry Potter, MadScience and more!

Keep your kids active and engaged this summer with PHRec Summer Camps for preschoolers, youth and teens. Full day options available.



Family Camp Out

June 28-29, 2014

Check in 6/28: 4:30am. Check out 6/29: 10:00am, Camp Pleasant Hill at Pleasant Hill Park, 157 Gregory Lane

Enjoy your weekend camping in the great outdoors—right here in Pleasant Hill. Activities include crafts, campfire with s'mores, music and an outdoor movie. Dinner and breakfast provided. Bring camping gear. Must pre-register. \$15/pp.

For more information and registration, visit pleasanthillrec.com

Special fundraiser: Contra Costa County Wine Women and Shoes

May 18, 2:00–5:00pm

Pleasant Hill Community Center

Shop the latest in shoes, accessories and more. Sip wine, savor bites and kick up your heels during a professional fashion show. Event benefits Hospice of the East Bay and Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District. Buy tickets at http://cccwinewomenandshoes.com. See ad on page 14.



Mark Your Calendars! Pleasant Hill's 5th Annual Blues & Brews Festival

Saturday, July 19, 12:00–6:00pm

Location: Pleasant Hill Park, 147 Gregory Lane



Enjoy a day of live blues music and draft brew tasting

For more information, visit bluesandbrewsfestival.com

Pleasant Hill 4th of July Festivities: Fun & Games in the Park

10:30am–2:30pm

Pleasant Hill Park, 147 Gregory Lane

FREE entertainment for the whole family including stage performances, kids games, climbing wall, bounce events, community booths and more. Food/beverages by Back Forty available for purchase.

Summertime Celebration Rentals

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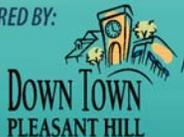


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In the plaza  
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Located next to Cold Stone Creamery  
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or call 925-687-0700

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**LIVE Music  
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May 25...Tender Mercies  
Original Rock Band



Jun 8... Dave Martin House Party  
High Energy Dance Music



Jun 22...Super Diamond  
Neil Diamond Tribute Band



Jul 6...Zydeco Flames  
Rockin' Zydeco & Cajun



Jul 20...Fast Times  
80s Dance Music



Aug 3...En Vivo  
Latin Rhythms & Salsa



Aug 17...The Fundamentals  
Red Hot Rockin' Soul



Aug 31...Big Jangle  
Tom Petty Tribute Band



Sep 7...East Bay MUDD  
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Visit [www.pleasanthillconcerts.com](http://www.pleasanthillconcerts.com) for all concert information.



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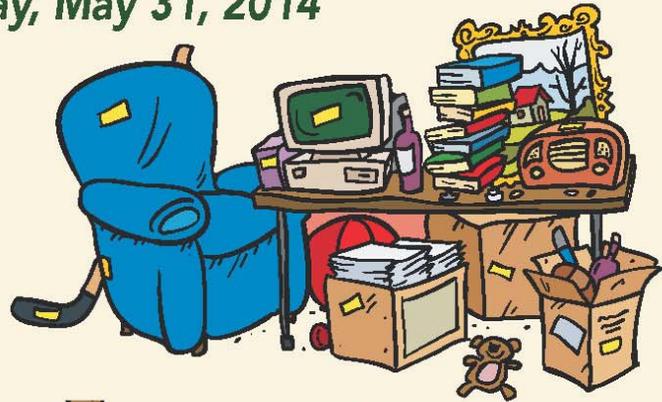
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# Pleasant Hill Citywide Garage Sale

**Don't trash it — Sell it!**

Saturday, May 31, 2014



## If you're a buyer...

- Go online and visit the website [www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com](http://www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com) to find households taking part in the citywide garage sale. Click the link and "Like" the sale on Facebook, and posting a cool find may earn you a chance to win a cool prize.
- Start early but not before listed times. Experienced shoppers come early to find the best buys.
- Bring a reusable bag, which will allow you to carry heavier items more easily and to protect fragile objects.



## If you're a seller...

- Register the address of your sale by going online and entering your information at [www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com](http://www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com).
- You may also register your sale by calling (925) 671-5806.
- Deadline to register is Thursday, May 29, 2014.
- To direct traffic to your sale, post street signs (not in public rights of way) and advertise online or in newspapers. Please take all signs down after your sale.

## Questions?

Online:  
[www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com](http://www.pleasanthillgaragesale.com)

Phone:  
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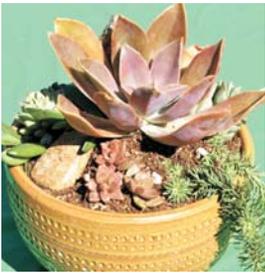
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## Mother's Day plant sale at the Winslow Center

Spring garden shoppers will find the unusual, the delightful, and the practical at the May 10 plant sale sponsored by the Pleasant Hill Garden Study Club. The sale goes from 9am to 2pm at the Winslow Center, on the corner of Pleasant Hill Road and Taylor Boulevard.

Family-friendly, the sale is on the Saturday before Mother's Day and will feature both colorful arrangements and other items suitable as gifts for Mom. Many are priced for children's pocketbooks. Despite the early spring rains, drought tolerant plants are becoming more advisable. This year's sale will offer not only an assortment of plants with low water needs, but also a station staffed by Master Gardeners who can answer questions about drought tolerant plants and other concerns.



Succulents are a particular emphasis, and there will be collectible varieties, arrangements in decorative pots, and indoor specimens. A benefit of this sale is that the plants are propagated locally and will thrive in our climate. Competitively priced and geared to meet all garden needs, the sale will also offer a wide selection of perennials, vegetables, and herbs.



Bargain hunters will like the "garden shed," an array of gently-used garden tools, garden-related décor, and vintage treasures. Garden boutique items will include hand-painted garden décor and succulents presented in distinctive containers. A portion of the sale proceeds are donated to garden-related local non-profits.

The PHGSC is co-sponsored by the Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District. For more information about the sale or the club, call 925-944-4898, e-mail to [phgardenstudyclub@yahoo.com](mailto:phgardenstudyclub@yahoo.com) or visit the club's website at [www.phgsc.com](http://www.phgsc.com). ♣

## Our rockin' community! Events for May and June 2014...

Date	Event	Location	Organization	Contact
May 3	Farmers' Market opening	Trelany Road by City Hall	Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market	671-5229
May 6	Muslims Journeys	PH Library	PH Library	<a href="http://www.ccclib.org">www.ccclib.org</a>
May 6	Comic Book Night	PH Library	PH Library	<a href="http://www.ccclib.org">www.ccclib.org</a>
May 8	Veteran's Benefits	PH Senior Center	PH Senior Center	798-8788
May 8	Backyard Composting Workshop	Pleasant Hill City Hall	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5265
May 8	Bike to Work Day	All over	Contra Costa County	<a href="http://www.511contracosta.org">www.511contracosta.org</a>
May 10	FFL Book Sale and e-Waste Dropoff	PH Library	Friends of the Library	<a href="http://www.ccclib.org">www.ccclib.org</a>
May 10	Mother's Day Plant Sale	Winslow Center	PH Garden Study Club	944-4898
May 10	Special Kids Day	Brentwood	PH Lions and Lions District	680-1871
May 13	Classical Music of North India	PH Library	PH Library	<a href="http://www.ccclib.org">www.ccclib.org</a>
May 17	CarFit	Pleasant Hill City Hall	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5267
Mar 18	Wine Women & Shoes	PH Community Center	PH Rec & Park District	682-0896
May 23	Mini-Relay for Life	College Park HS	Relay for Life	944-4898
May 23	Memorial Day Social	PH Senior Center	PH Senior Center	798-8788
May 25	Summer concert "Tender Mercies"	Pleasant Hill City Hall lawn	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5229
May 31	Citywide Garage Sale	All over Pleasant Hill	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5229J
Jun 3	Backyard Composting Workshop	Pleasant Hill City Hall	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5265
Jun 3	Color Wheel Party (and book release)	PH Library	PH Library	<a href="http://www.ccclib.org">www.ccclib.org</a>
Jun 26	Thirsty Thursday	PH Senior Center	PH Senior Center	798-8788
Jun 7-8	Relay for Life	College Park HS	Relay for Life	944-4898
Jun 8	Pancake Breakfast	Relay for Life, PH Middle School	PH Lions	798-1190
Jun 8	Summer concert "Dave Martin House Party"	Pleasant Hill City Hall lawn	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5229
Jun 12	Using Technology to find Placement	PH Senior Center	PH Senior Center	798-8788
Jun 19	Downtown Plaza concert "Groove Thang"	Downtown Plaza	Downtown PH	<a href="http://www.shopdowntownpleasanthill.com">www.shopdowntownpleasanthill.com</a>
Jun 20	World's Largest Swimming Lesson	PH Aquatic Park	PH Rec & Park District	<a href="http://www.pleasanthillrec.com">www.pleasanthillrec.com</a>
Jun 22	Summer concert "Super Diamond"	Pleasant Hill City Hall lawn	City of Pleasant Hill	671-5229
Jun 28-29	Family Camp Out	PH Park	PH Rec & Park District	<a href="http://www.pleasanthillrec.com">www.pleasanthillrec.com</a>

The City of Pleasant Hill is committed to promoting and supporting the business community within the City. The economic vitality of Pleasant Hill is dependent on a strong business sector, and the City plays an important role in making this happen. To find out more about Economic Development efforts in Pleasant Hill or for additional information on locating or expanding your business operations in the City, please contact Kelly Calhoun at 671-5213 or [Kcalhoun@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us](mailto:Kcalhoun@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us).



## **New businesses February 2014**

**Nicole R. Slater** (Massage Therapy)  
1610 Oak Park Blvd.  
925-943-2222

**Art Elements** (Art Studio)  
670 Gregory Lane, Suite D  
925-822-2098

**Brent Adams** (Individual/  
Group Spiritual Direction)  
140 Mayhew Way, Suite 100  
925-457-4957

**Daphne's California Greek**  
(Restaurant)  
55 Crescent Dr. "F"  
925-825-8644

**Hosanna 1-Hour Cleaners**  
1946 Contra Costa Blvd.  
925-691-1120

**Jill Suzanne's Skin Spa**  
(Wellness & Skincare)  
101 Gregory Lane, Suite 43  
415-810-9638

**Raw Performance Racing Product**  
(Auto Restoration & Performance)  
199-D Mayhew Way  
925-812-4222

**Starlight Nails**  
2685 Pleasant Hill Road, "C"  
925-825-8217

**Stuart C. Gilliam Law Office**  
3478 Buskirk Ave., #100  
925-280-1500

**Sunshine Café**  
1908 Oak Park Blvd.  
925-938-5180

**VIII Dollar Store and More**  
510 C Contra Costa Blvd.  
209-810-2445

**GT Consulting**  
(Program Mgmt. Consulting)  
925-787-9146

**Jenna Marie Photography** (Wed-  
ding/Portrait Photography)  
805-798-4635

**Jim Davidson Construction**  
925-594-0531

**Oleh Bondarenko Photography**  
925-322-0296

**QQ Archery**  
(Support System Archery)  
855-937-7727

**Rose's Hearth** (Home Office Media  
Based Consulting)  
415-939-7722

**Scott Barnebey Creative**  
(Graphic/Web Design & Marketing)  
858-204-7728

**VFP Business App & Consulting**  
(Home Office Computer Apps – Ora-  
cle Database)  
415-730-5311

## **New businesses March 2014**

**Atlas & Athena**  
(Men's & Women's Clothing)  
45 Crescent Dr., "A"  
925-465-6108

**Bodywork-Sports Performance**  
(Injury Rehabilitation)  
91 Gregory Lane, #19  
510-385-3363

**Caring Chiropractic Center**  
2100 Monument Blvd., Ste. 16  
925-825-8058

**Contra Costa Pathology Assoc.**  
(Pathology Laboratory)  
399 Taylor Blvd., #16  
925-270-3575

**Contemporary Forums**  
(Administrative Offices)  
3478 Buskirk Ave., #242  
925-451-0906

**Sally Beauty Supply**  
25 Crescent Drive, "D"  
925-246-8627

**Sonja Scissorhands** (Hair Stylist)  
2261 Morello Avenue  
925-932-1460

**Big Impact, LLC**  
(Marketing Consulting)  
855-957-7325

**Fire Sensible Brush Clearing** (Yard  
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Clearance)  
925-639-2829

**Javid Rug Repair & Restoration**  
925-212-5122

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**Stracke  
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Photography  
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## City Meetings

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Thu 1 5:00pm	Architectural Review Commission	City Hall Community Room
Tue 6 7:30pm	SPECIAL Planning Commission (public hearing)	Council Chambers
Wed 7 9:00am	Commission on Aging	City Hall Small Comm Room
Wed 7 6:30pm	Civic Action Commission	City Hall Small Comm Room
Thu 8 5:00pm	Zoning Administrator (public hearing)	Planning/Public Works Conference Room
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### The City Channel is looking for volunteers!

Be a part of creating exciting television programs right here in Pleasant Hill. If you are a student of film or television production or just interested in learning how a show is put together, come volunteer to be part of the City Channel crew. No experience is necessary. Contact Larry Hunt at larrylogic@gmail.com.



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City Clerk: Kimberly Lehmkuhl  
City Treasurer: Mark W. Celio

City Council meetings are broadcast on Comcast channel 28, U-Verse Channel 99, and Astound Channel 29 on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7:30pm.

Videos of meetings are also available on the City website under "Media Center."

#### CITY HALL HOURS

Monday–Wednesday: 8:30am–5:00 pm  
Thursday: 8:30am–6:00 pm  
Friday: 8:30am–1:00 pm



The City of Pleasant Hill newsletter is published bimonthly. Deadline for articles for Jul/Aug is June 9. Ideas are always welcome. Local non-profit groups may submit articles to the Public Information Officer at 100 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. For information, call Martin Nelis at 671-5229, fax to 680-0294, or email to mnelis@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us.

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