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Pleasant Hill Measure K to address Infrastructure needs and build a new community library

On Monday, August 1st, the Pleasant Hill City Council voted unanimously to place a revenue measure on the November 2016 ballot to provide locally controlled funding for consideration by voters.

If approved, Measure K would enact a ½ cent transactions and use tax (or sales tax) for 20 years, allowing the City to address infrastructure and service priorities that Pleasant Hill residents have indicated are important. The measure would generate an estimated \$4 million in additional annual revenue for the City – money that could not legally be taken by the State or other agencies.

Local funds for local needs

Measure K revenue would be used for important City services including:

- Repaving neighborhood streets and fixing potholes
- Maintaining and upgrading the City's storm drains
- Adding new sidewalks and bike paths
- Constructing a new community library; and
- Funding other city projects and services that Pleasant Hill residents have identified as key priorities

Streets, sidewalks and storm drains

Over the past 10 years, the State has taken over \$20 million from Pleasant Hill. These State takeaways, and the eco-



nomical recession, resulted in the City deferring significant maintenance and upgrades on neighborhood streets, sidewalks and storm drains. The recently adopted 5-year Capital Improvement Plan identified \$39 million in unfunded infrastructure needs, including \$15 mil-

lion in deferred street maintenance and \$9 million in deferred storm drain system upgrades.

A new library for Pleasant Hill

Pleasant Hill Library is now 55 years old and has significant physical con-

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Let's spruce up Pleasant Hill on Community Service Day!

The 12th annual Community Service Day will be held this year on Saturday, September 24th. The event begins at Pleasant Hill Park with registration and breakfast from 7:30 to 9:00am.



The volunteer registration page is on the City website at www.pleasanthillca.org/volunteer where you can browse through all of the project opportunities.

There will be more than 20 projects at school sites, parks, Ellinwood Creek, and other locations to choose from. You can sign up for the Bike Buildathon at PH Park, the sewing project at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, the Contra Costa Food Bank Drive, and many other great community projects.

All volunteers receive a free pancake breakfast (served by the Lions Club) and the first 600 to register at the park receive a free event t-shirt, plus snacks and drinks to take with you to your project sites.

Project registration

If you are a local organization, school, church or non-profit group and you wish to register a CSD project this year, please do so online at www.pleasanthillca.org/volunteer. Deadline for registration is Monday, September 19.

Senior residents—Do you need help at home with front yard work?

The Civic Action Commission is again including a project to help elderly residents with yard work this year during Community Service Day. Only front yard gardening and weeding is permissible, without the use of power tools. The Commission is seeking new homes to help this year. Homes may not participate two years in a row.



If you are interested in receiving assistance from Community Service Day volunteers, or have any questions about this project, please contact Martin Nelis at (925) 671-5229 or email him at mnelis@pleasanthillca.org.

Food Scraps Recycling Program Coming Soon!

All food will be composted



Residents

Beginning Monday, October 3rd, Pleasant Hill residents can start recycling food scraps using the green waste cart provided to every home.

The week prior to that, Republic Services will be delivering 3-gallon food pails to every household in the city. These food pails are ideal for storing food scraps in the kitchen before emptying contents into your green waste cart. The green waste and food scraps (known as ‘organics’) will be taken to a composting facility in West Contra Costa County.

Compost giveaway

In addition to the new organics recycling, residents will be able to receive up to one cubic yard of free compost per year. Republic Services and the City will notify you when this giveaway has been scheduled.

Businesses

Most businesses will also begin organics recycling over the next two years. ♣

For more information contact Martin Nelis at mnelis@pleasanthillca.org or call (925) 671-5229.



City Hall Painting Project underway

The City of Pleasant Hill has contracted with Siotos Construction, Inc. to perform the work for the City Hall Painting Project.

This project includes the power washing of the City Hall roof, repair of damaged exterior wood surfaces, surface preparation, and painting of all exterior surfaces of the City Hall complex including fences, trellises and the gazebo. The building has not been painted since 2002, and this project will maintain the condition of the existing exterior siding as well as the appearance of City Hall.

The project began in early August 2016 and is expected to be completed by late October 2016. City Hall will remain open during normal business hours during this period.

Contra Costa Boulevard Improvement Project (Harriet Drive to Beth/Doray Drive)

This project will provide for pedestrian, cyclist and motorist safety improvements (complete street enhancements) along Contra Costa Boulevard (CCB) between Harriet Drive to Beth/Doray Drive. The project is funded in large part by three grant funds totaling \$2.45 mil-



lion and an additional \$580,000 in local funds.

In coordination with the City's Engineering Division, PG&E recently removed a number of trees along CCB as part of their Pipeline Pathway Safety program. All of these trees were identified by the City Arborist as being in poor health, damaging to adjacent sidewalks or in conflict with new sidewalk improvements.

The new improvements along this corridor will be consistent with those completed in 2014 along CCB between Viking Drive and Chilpancingo Parkway. The project is expected to begin construc-



City Hall is being repainted.

tion in early September 2016 and be completed in spring of 2017.

Key planned project features include NEW:

- Gap closure sidewalk along west side of CCB between Ellinwood and Beth/Doray Drive
- ADA compliant curb ramps and driveway ramps for the various businesses and intersections
- Traffic signal upgrades at Ellinwood Drive intersection
- Pavement surfacing treatment and pavement traffic striping
- Enhanced pedestrian crosswalks along CCB
- Decorative LED street and pedestrian lighting
- New drought-tolerant and low water use landscape ♣

Report an illicit discharge or spill—"Only rainwater goes down the storm drain"

The City of Pleasant Hill Storm Water Program and the Federal Clean Water Act prohibit discharging anything other than rainwater into storm drain.

The purpose of the Storm Water Program is to eliminate pollutants, such as oil, antifreeze, inorganic materials, paint, pesticides, chemicals, dirt, trash, pet waste and other harmful contaminants from entering the storm drain system. Pollutants such as

these enter the waterways very easily during a storm event when urban runoff carries these contaminants down the storm drain network into the Bay where it harms fish and wildlife.

Stopping water pollution is something that everyone can and needs to get involved with. Here are a few things you can do to help us keep our creeks clean and harm free for future generations of our children and the wildlife to thrive and enjoy:

- Use correct waste bins and recycling facilities (1-800-464-1431) to dispose any unwanted items.
- Buy environmentally safe chemicals, pesticides, fertilizers and cleaning liquids.
- If you see a spill or illegal discharge happening, please contact our Police Department at (925) 288-4600 or the City of Pleasant Hill Engineering Division Storm Water Manager at (925) 671-5264 during regular business hours. ♣



Independence Day the Pleasant Hill way!

Perfect weather, large crowds, the fun run, wonderful parade, great entertainment, unique kids' games, and a spectacular fireworks show all contributed to a fabulous Independence Day celebration this year.

This was the 40th annual celebration, *and not even a SINKHOLE on the parade route interrupted the show.*

Commission President Chris Tipton stated that the full day celebration was the result of hours of hard work by a small group of volunteers and the generous donations from businesses and residents of the city. The Commission is especially proud that all of the games, entertainment, rides, and fireworks are free to the public.

The Commission begins planning for the 2017 event on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 in the Large Community Room at City Hall.

Every year, new commission members come up with new ideas to improve and enhance the Independence Day celebration. The Commission currently has several open positions and is actively looking for people to become involved. Anyone interested in joining the Commission or providing volunteers on the day of the event is encouraged to attend the September meeting or contact Chris Tipton at ctiptonph@yahoo.com. ♣



City of Pleasant Hill seeks applicants for commission

Residents have an opportunity to get to know fellow residents while participating in commission and advisory committee decisions and events that shape the future of Pleasant Hill. The following commission currently has a vacancy:

► **Civic Action Commission**

The Civic Action Commission organizes major City events such as Community Service Day, the “Sunset by the Lake” Summer Concerts, and supports other community events. Applicants must be a Pleasant Hill resident or a non-resident with a business in Pleasant Hill. Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. at City Hall. There is one unfulfilled term through April, 2019. Deadline for submitting an application is Wednesday, September 28, 2016.

For an application or more information
visit the City of Pleasant Hill website at

www.pleasanthillca.org/vacancy or contact **Juanita Davalos** by
phone at (925) 671-5283 or e-mail at jdavalos@pleasanthillca.org.



JOIN OUR TEAM!



Looking for an opportunity to volunteer in the community?

The City of Pleasant Hill Senior Van Service is looking for volunteer Senior Van Service Drivers. Hours are flexible (Monday through Friday) and training is provided.



For more information, please call (925) 671-5288 or email Michael Johnson at srvanservice@pleasanthillca.org. ♣



Fall CERT class beginning soon

The next class for Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training for Pleasant Hill residents begins on Tuesday evening, September 13.

The training will be held alternatively at two locations—initially at the Pleasant Hill Police Department, and thereafter alternating at the Large Community Room at City Hall. Classes begin at 6:00pm and end at 9:30pm. The course, given, over six Tuesday evenings, emphasizes preparedness, first aid, small fire suppression, light search and rescue, disaster psychology, and what supplies to have on hand.

Most importantly, the training guides individuals to prepare themselves, their homes, and their families for the effects of a major earthquake and how to safely and effectively deal with its aftermath. Following a major disaster, our police and fire departments will likely not be able to respond to all calls for help immediately as their efforts will be focused in areas that have been more severely impacted. In communities impacted by disasters, it is “neighbors helping neighbors” that we rely upon to “pull us through.” THAT is what CERT is all about.

CERT has trained over 500 local residents already. Do you know if you have CERT trained neighbors? If not, how about taking the first step with some great training that will give you the confidence to react safely and effectively, not just for earthquakes, but for those other emergencies that may enter your life.

Residents of ages 14 and older are encouraged to sign up at www.pleasanthillcert.org. Join a dedicated group of local residents who truly are dedicated to helping our neighbors and our community. ♣

Fall produce at the Farmers' Market

The seasons are changing and the fall months are just as fantastic as summer when it comes to local Northern California produce. The Pleasant Hill Farmers' Market will have a wonderful selection of fall fruits and vegetables as well as the last of summer selections.

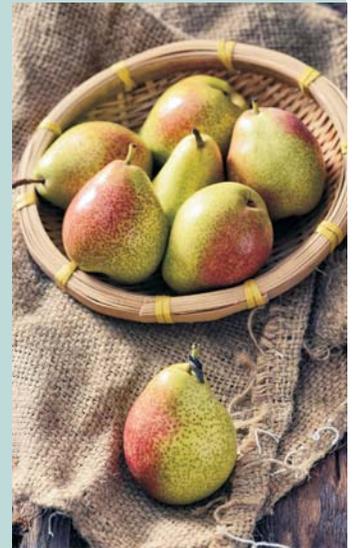
At the market look for succulent pears from neighboring Alhambra Valley, crisp apples and apple cider from Rainbow Orchards in Camino, and plump grapes from J&J Ramos Farms from Hughson.

Fall vegetables include artichokes and Brussel sprouts, greens and onions, winter squash and sweet potatoes from farmers such as J&M Farms and Padao Yang Farm from the Fresno Valley. The fresh flavors of fall will be at their best through November.

You'll still be able to purchase the last of summer's great produce like corn, peppers, peaches, berries, greens, and summer squash through most of September, so get them while you can!

There is musical entertainment, a face painter, and merchant booths each week. And don't forget that October will be the month for the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-in Contest and the Costume Contest.

Please stop by your Pleasant Hill certified farmers' market and bring home the best that the season has to offer. The market will be open through November 12. ♣



Volunteer opportunities with AARP Tax-Aide

Do you like working with people? Are you good with numbers?

Contra Costa County AARP Tax-Aide is looking for volunteers to become members of a team providing free tax preparation for individuals of all ages. Tax-Aide volunteer positions include Tax Counselors who are trained by Tax-Aide and certified by IRS, and Client Facilitators, who schedule appointments and assist clients at tax sites. Orientation is in November 2016 and classes for tax counselors start in January 2017. Service is from February through April 15, 2017.

Apply online at www.aarp.org/taxvolunteer if interested, or call LaVerne Gordon at (925) 726-3199 for additional information. ♣





NEW interactive Fall/Winter Spotlight streamlines registration

PHRec introduces a new digital version of their popular recreation guide. Customers can now easily flip through the online publication and simply click on embedded activity link to register for class, activity or event. Visit www.pleasanthillrec.com and click on cover of The Spotlight to access online reader. The Spotlight (hard copy) is still delivered directly to mailboxes and available at PHRec facilities, local library, schools and businesses.



PHRec Board appoints new General Manager

Michelle Lacy is only the 3rd General Manager in the District's 65 years.

Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District (PHRPD) and the Board of Directors named Michelle Lacy as its new General Manager. Lacy brings more than 26 years of park and recreation experience, including 14 years at a senior management level. She started as a Recreation Supervisor II for Elk Grove Community Services District, before serving as Recreation Services Manager for the Town of Danville for nine years. Most recently, Lacy served as the Park & Recreation Director with the City of Orinda.

In her new role, Lacy says she plans to proactively collaborate with community partners and work with staff to develop an organization that is able to more seamlessly respond to changing economic conditions and community recreational needs. Lacy has served in many industry organizations and community affiliations, including President of the California Park and Recreation Society (CPRS) in 2013-2014 and Orinda Rotary.

"As just the third general manager in the District's history, I am thrilled with this rare opportunity to work with a phenomenal organization and extremely dedicated staff who share my passion for providing the best possible recreation services, facilities, and parks to this community," Lacy said. Lacy will officially assume the General Manager duties on August 29. ♣



PHR&PD General Manager Michelle Lacy

Fairytale Princess Breakfast (1-8 yrs)

- Saturday, September 10, 8:30-9:30am, Chateau Room, Senior Center
Princess Story Time, pancake breakfast, and a visit with our very special guest. Online pre-registration required.

Super Hero Party

- Saturday, October 1, 11:00am-12:30pm, Teen Center Lounge
Superhero training, a snack, and more. Online pre-registration (parent and child) required by September 23.

First Thursday Social Club

- Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Monthly Social Club for adults with developmental disabilities. Open social time plus structured group activities. Pool and air hockey tables available. Snack provided. Emergency Contact Waiver required at first visit.
Drop In Fee: \$7 (Caregivers free)
Dates: 9/1, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1

Special Recreation Dance Friday

- Music by Rhythm Master DJ.
- October 7, 7:00-9:00 pm, Chateau Room, Senior Center
Admission: \$7 per person (Caregivers free)
For more information contact Sheila Cotruvo at scotruvo@pleasanthillrec.com.

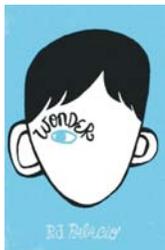
Share the Magic

- Friday, October 14, 7:00-10:00pm
Community Center Perera Pavilion. All new show every year! An evening filled with FUN, MYSTERY, and EXCITEMENT. See illusions, card experts, close-up performances by the Society of American Magicians. Come in costume for a chance to win a prize. Online pre-registration is required. Co-Sponsored by the Society of Magicians.

Cover2Cover Reunion Dance Party

- Friday, November 4, 8:00-11:00pm, Community Center Perera Pavilion
- October 7, 7:00-9:00pm, Chateau Room, Senior Center
Get ready to dance! Long-time favorite, high-energy dance band, Cover2Cover, will reunite for one special evening only. Beer and wine available for purchase. Get your tickets early at pleasanthillrec.com! Admission: \$20 (21+ yrs only).

Pleasant Hill Reads!



This October pick up the book the whole city is reading: *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio.

Wonder is the inspiring story of an ordinary boy with an extraordinary face.



The entire family will enjoy this book about overcoming fears to find friendship.

For a reading guide and event info visit www.guides.cclib.org/onebook.

➤ **Kenn Adams: Adventure Beneath the Sea**

Tuesday, Sep 6, 6:30–7:30pm

Race along with our youthful hero as she dives to the bottom of the sea in a futuristic submarine, makes friends with the exotic creatures of the deep, and meets the strange inhabitants of an underwater city!



Join us every 2nd Monday for **Maker Monday** at 6:30pm and every 2nd Tuesday afternoon for **Tinker Tuesday** at 3:00pm

➤ **The Final Night of 1,000 Inventions!**

Maker Monday, Sep 12, 6:30-8:00pm

The library hosts the 5th and final Night of 1,000 Inventions, an extravaganza of science and hands-on tech for all ages! Featuring virtual reality headsets, robots, rockets, drones, 3D printing, and other crazy contraptions to blow your mind. Prototype your own invention and take home a “patent.”

For additional information and details on events, go to www.cclib.org/locations/pleasanthill.html

➤ **Revenge of the Rockets**

Tinker Tuesday, Sep 13, 3:00pm

Did you miss the rocket launching at the Night of 1,000 Inventions? Come back on Tuesday afternoon for more air-powered aerodynamics.

➤ **Rumblebot Races**

Maker Monday, Oct 10, 6:00pm

Tinker Tuesday, Oct 11, 3:00pm

Craft your own custom “robot” and watch it bump and buzz along a vibrating raceway.

➤ **Farmer’s Market Storytime**

Last Saturday of month, 10:00–10:30am

Join Patrick for a special storytime at the downtown Pleasant Hill Farmer’s Market on the last Saturday of every month. Books, music, and a special celebrity guest each month!

➤ **Teen Tech Help Desk – Drop-In Computer Help**

Thursdays, 4:00–6:00pm

Register here <http://goo.gl/Jr4Akf>

➤ **Flash Sale—Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library**

Saturday, Sep 17, 10:00am–1:30pm

The Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library’s mini-used book sale will be held on the patio in front of the Library! Please stop by the front of the Library, weather permitting.



➤ **Friends of the Library Book Sale**

Saturday, Oct 15, 10:00am–1:30pm

Find great deals on books of all kinds and support your library. Early bird sale for Friends members starts at 9:30am, general sale starts at 10am for the public. Sale will be held in the CCC Office of Education parking lot, which is next to the library. Plus, drop off your E-waste for free.

➤ **Lego Creators Club (with Robots!)**

Every Saturday, 2:00–3:00pm

Make anything you can imagine with our huge collection of Legos! Explore the programmable universe of Lego Mindstorms with EV3 robotics kits!



Teen Advisory Group
Every 2nd and 4th
Wednesday of the month,
3:00-4:00pm

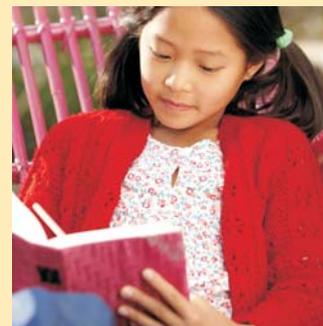
Meet with other community teens and the young adult librarian to share and plan what you want to see happen at the library.

Storytimes

Every Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, and
Saturday, 11:15-11:45am,
plus Friday afternoons,
1:15-1:45pm

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

Join us for an extra craft after storytimes each Thursday



Pleasant Hill Library display case

Reserve the library’s free lobby display case for your nonprofit organization and connect with 1,200 visitors a day. Contact the library at phl@cclib.org for an application.

Pleasant Hill Library Meeting Room and Small Study Room available during library open hours. Details on how to reserve these rooms at www.cclib.org.

► Senior Center Book Club

Mondays, Sep 12 and Oct 3, 12:00-1:00pm

Join us for a fun and casual book discussion hosted by the library at the Pleasant Hill Senior Center! Books will be provided for you to borrow. **Afternoon Book Club**, Fridays, Sep 9 and Oct 14, 1:00-2:30pm. **Evening Book Club**, Tuesdays, Sep 27 and Oct 18, 6:30-7:30pm.

► Eco Studio

Third, fourth, and fifth Wednesdays of the month, 3-5pm, check www.ccclib.org for specific dates.

Learn to machine sew your own fabulous up-cycled fabric creations!

► English Conversation Practice for Adults

Every Wednesday, 1:30-2:30pm

Drop in to practice speaking and listening to English in a casual ESL conversation group.

► Doorstep Farmers

Every Tuesday, 3:30-7:00pm

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. All subscribers who request delivery at the Library have the option to donate 5% to the Pleasant Hill Library.



Lucky Day Collection!

Is today your lucky day? Find out by checking the “Lucky Day” shelf here at the Library.

This new collection includes dozens of best-selling titles. You can’t put them on hold, but if you find it on the shelf it’s your lucky day!

FAQs from Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library

Q How can I help the Pleasant Hill Library?

A Donate your gently used books for resale to the book-loving public! The major fund-raising effort of Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library is selling used books. This raises 85% of the funds used exclusively to support Library programs and materials purchases.

Q Doesn’t the County library system fund the library?

A Yes, the County pays for staff time, operating the building, and buying books and materials. The Friends’ non-profit organization pays for all programming and adds to the book purchases. And the City of Pleasant Hill supplements staff by paying for one whole day per week of staff time.

Q I like books and I have some time; how can I help?

A Volunteer your time to help at the Used Book Sales (there are three more sales before the end of the year). You can also volunteer during the week to sort and organize books for sale. Contact Friends to find out more at www.phlibraryfriends.org/join-us.

Q I’d like to volunteer from my home—are there tasks to do remotely?

A Absolutely! There is a new position: **Web Assistant**. This person will help with special tech projects and help maintain the Friends’ website. Familiarity with Wordpress and HTML is a plus. Time commitment is small—only a few hours per week.

Q When and where is the next book sale?

A The Giant Parking Lot Book Sale, next door at the County Office of Education, under the solar panels, will be held Saturday October 15 (weather permitting), 10:00am until 2:30pm; the last hour of the sale (1:30-2:30) is the Big Bag Book Sale where you can buy a grocery-size bag of books for \$3. Friends also sell books in **FLASH Sales** on the patio in front of the Library doors, from 9:30am to 12:30pm. This is a different sale with specially selected higher quality books, vintage books, and DVD/CD media. The next FLASH sales are September 17 and November 12 (weather permitting). www.phlibraryfriends.org/



Q We love the library, but isn’t the building looking kind of shabby?

A Yes, the 55-year-old building needs to be replaced to meet the seismic, health, and safety standards of today. The City of Pleasant Hill will have a measure on the November 8 ballot to provide sales tax income to support city services, including a new library. If this measure passes, we will begin to plan for a new library specially designed to fit our own community.

Do you provide family care for someone with dementia?

—Commission on Aging

Please come to a FREE community workshop sponsored by the Pleasant Hill Commission on Aging. Friday, October 21, 8:30am–1:30pm
Hope Center Covenant Church
2275 Morello Ave, Pleasant Hill

Family caregivers ...we're here for you!

The 2016 Family Caregiver Workshop will focus on “Dementia Care: Behaviors, Communication and Coping Strategies.” Three dynamic speakers will give you valuable insights, practical advice, and community resources in these three areas of dementia care:

- Management of challenging dementia behaviors
- Effective communication with your loved one and health care providers
- Coping strategies for your own emotions and the sometimes volatile emotions of your loved one

There is also time at the workshop for you to connect with and share your strategies with other caregivers.

This event is FREE to family caregivers (due to limited space, the event is not open to health care providers). Included are morning refreshments and lunch. All speakers are specialists in their fields who have graciously donated their time. We are grateful to the following organizations for their support: City of Pleasant Hill, Meals on Wheels and Senior Outreach Services, Kinder's, and the Alzheimer's Association.

Space is limited to 35 family caregivers and registration is required. Call Danielle Habr at (925) 671-5221 to register.

We hope that you can take a break and join us. You deserve it for all that you do!



Senior Center events and activities

■ Pancake Breakfast—All ages welcome!

- First Sunday of the Month, Sep 4 and Oct 2, 8:30-10:30am

- PH Senior Center dining room

Enjoy a stack of pancakes or French Toast, eggs, sausage and orange juice and coffee.

Adults (11+): \$5, Children (5-10): \$3, 4 & under: Free!



■ Pleasant Hill 61st Anniversary Luau Party

Friday, Sept. 23, 12:00 pm

The Senior Center is celebrating 61 years! Join us for a delicious lunch with entertainment provided by Hula Dancers from Island Breeze! Menu: Huli Huli Chicken, Teriyaki Pork with Pineapple, Jasmine Rice, Macaroni Salad, Cucumber Salad, Marinated Shrimp, Fresh Fruit & Dessert. Buy Tickets at Senior Center: \$15 members, \$20 general. Tickets not available at door.

■ Taste of the Vine

- Friday, October 21, 4:00–6:00pm

- PH Senior Center, Chateau Room

Cozy up with us for the perfect fall happy hour. Wine, food and laughter with a chance to win some prizes! Sponsored by Carlton Senior Living. Tickets: \$10 presale or \$15 day of.

■ FREE! Alzheimer's Education Series

- Mondays, 2:00–4:00pm

- PH Senior Center dining room

Alzheimer's more than 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's and is the 6th leading cause of death in the U.S. Join this free series to learn about the following important Alzheimer's topics:

Oct 10: The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia & Alzheimer's Disease

Oct 17: Understanding & Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior

Oct 24: Legal Planning for Alzheimer's disease.

Please RSVP to the Front Desk, (925) 798-8788

■ Care Management Program presents—FREE

- Thursdays, 2:00–3:00pm

- PH Senior Center dining room

Sept 8: “What is the Difference between Hospice and Palliative Care?” presented by Hospice of the East Bay

Oct 13: “Aging and Its Implications: Careful Planning Today to Avoid Costly Mistakes Tomorrow” presented by a panel of professionals

Space is limited. Call the Front Desk at (925) 798-8788 to reserve your place.

Enjoy fantastic family fun at this year's Art, Jazz and Wine Fest!

Enjoy live music, artisan vendors, premium wine, craft beer and our exciting and fun KidZone—October 1st and 2nd in Downtown Pleasant Hill!

Mark your calendars for Pleasant Hill's signature event! It's time for the 14th Annual Art, Jazz and Wine Fest in Downtown Pleasant Hill on Saturday October 1st from 10:00am to 6:00pm, followed by an evening concert at 6:30pm, and Sunday October 2nd from 11:00am to 5:00pm.

The Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Pleasant Hill and Downtown Pleasant Hill, present a weekend of live music, fun entertainment and activities for children, arts and crafts vendors, as well as featuring local wines and craft brews. Best of all, general admission is FREE!

Live music

Enjoy two full days of live music starting Saturday with Breedloves, Jackson & the Immortals, The New Frantics and Queens & Thieves. Back by popular demand, East Bay Mudd will perform at the Saturday Evening Concert from 6:30–8:45pm. Sunday's lineup features Jinx Jones and the King Tones and The Bell Brothers.

Wine, arts & crafts on Crescent Drive

"Stroll down Crescent Drive and shop at more than 70 booths featuring handmade crafts, fine art, textiles, jewelry, and more," says Steve Van Dorn, President & CEO of the Chamber of Commerce. "And don't miss a visit to our Premium Wine Pavilion, featuring award winning California wines. Representatives from Napa, Sonoma and Livermore wineries will offer insights to their regional varietals, showcasing their finest wines and answering your questions."

Craft Beer Garden

Very popular with both singles and families, is the Craft Beer Garden, especially with its proximity to the family entertainment. The Garden will have live entertainment and will be located across from the KidZone.

KidZone at City Hall Lawn

This year look for exciting and fun events in our ever expanding KidZone. Children will enjoy the bounce house and walk, crawl or run in the water balls activity. Popular children's entertainer Samantha Samuels presents the children's stage entertainment. This includes Studio A Dancers, Village Music School, Dae Han Martial Arts, Boswick the Clown on Saturday and Puppets of Praise and Pleasant Hill Library Story Telling Time, Pleasant Hill Star Quest on Sunday and much more.

For more information, or for overnight lodging, please visit www.pleasanthillchamber.com and keep up to date on our events schedule, wine and beer list, art vendor updates, and special offers! Don't forget to like us on Facebook for your chance to win FREE tickets for wine and craft beer. See you there! ♣

The poster features a blue background with musical notes and a grid pattern. At the top, a dark red banner reads "Free Music • Premium Wine • Craft Beer • Arts & Crafts". Below this, a yellow circle says "14th Annual". The main title "ART JAZZ AND WINE FEST" is in large, white, 3D-style letters. Underneath, it says "Downtown Pleasant Hill" in a similar font. A logo for "WISE GIRL RESTORANTE ITALIANO & COCKTAILS" is present, with "presents" below it. The event schedule is listed: "Saturday Evening Concert featuring East Bay Mudd 6:30 - 8:45 pm" and "Saturday, October 1st 10:00 am - 6:00 pm". The Sunday event is "Sunday, October 2nd 11:00 am - 5:00 pm". At the bottom, it says "Visit the Expanded KidZone" with a colorful logo, and "Discover local craft brews in the PREMIUM CRAFT BEER GARDEN" with a logo.

In Partnership With



Event Sponsors



DVC drama opens its 2016-17 season with the smash musical hit HAIRSPRAY

DVC DRAMA

book by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan, music by Marc Shaiman
lyrics by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman

Oct 21-Nov 6

"Hairspray is as sweet as a show can be without promoting tooth decay" —The New York Times

It's 1962 in Baltimore and the lovable plus-size teen, Tracy Turnblad, has only one desire — to dance on the popular Corny Collins Show. When her dream comes true, Tracy is transformed from social outcast to sudden star. She must use her newfound power to dethrone the reigning Teen Queen, win the affections of heartthrob Link Larkin, and integrate a TV network, all without denting her 'do!

Winner of 8 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Hairspray is piled high with laughter, romance, and delightfully tuneful songs

Directed by Lisa Drummond. Musical Direction by Enrico Banson. Choreography by Amanda Boyan.

Show dates and times

The show runs October 21–November 6.

Show times are 8:00pm on Friday and Saturday; 2:30pm on Sundays, October 30 and November 6.

Tickets

For tickets, call (925) 969-2358 or go to our website at www.dvcdrama.net.

DVC Drama is located at 321 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 with free parking for all performances.

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OCT. 8 2016 10am - 4pm

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Games!
Activities!
Food!
Music!

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www.RodgersRanch.org

SAVE THE DATE!

VETERAN'S DAY

Celebration for veterans and their families

NOVEMBER 11, 2016 ♦ 11:00am-4:00pm ♦ Pleasant Hill Park

The VALOR Center at John F. Kennedy University and the Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill are teaming up to hold a family celebration for Veteran's Day!

There will be food, music and games for all. We want to celebrate veterans and thank them for their service.

More information will follow as we get closer to the date.

... and concerts!

In addition to Queens & Thieves on September 4, the Civic Action Commission is hosting a special encore concert on Sunday, September 11th from 6:00 to 8:00pm at City Hall. This is also the 15th Anniversary of 9/11 and there will be a brief ceremony prior to the music. The concert performance will be given by Galaxy from the US Air Force Band of the Golden West. Galaxy is the USAF Band of the Golden West's newest ensemble, featuring powerful vocals and intricate musicianship. The sounds of Galaxy will pull you to your feet as they perform a wide variety of musical styles; playing rock, pop, and country hits from the past to today's top 40.



Sep 4..Queens & Thieves
High energy dance band

Food sales by Steel Smokin BBQ

Ice cream sales by BSA Troop 221

Sponsored by Pleasant Hill
Civic Action Commission

Visit www.pleasanthillconcerts.com
for all concert information.

Free! **sunset by the lake** **summer concerts**

On the lawn by the lake at **Pleasant Hill City Hall** Gregory Ln & Cleveland Rd

LIVE MUSIC & FUN!
FOOD & BEVERAGE sales!

6-8 pm



Sep 11...Galaxy
Rock, pop and country

Dawn Block & Michael Harris
"We Love Pleasant Hill"

GLENN ALLEN TEAM
925-709-1000

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Our rockin' community! Events for September and October 2016

Date	Event	Location	Organization	Contact
Sep 4	Lake concert: Queens & Thieves	Lawn by Pleasant Hill City Hall	PH Civic Action Commission	671-5229
Sep 6	Kenn Adams: Adventure Beneath the Sea	PH Library	PH Library	www.ccclib.org
Sep 8	CMP: Difference between hospice and...	PH Senior Center, Dining room	PH Senior Center	798-8788
Sep 10	Fairytale Princess breakfast	PH Senior Center	PH Recreation & Park District	pleasanthillrec.com
Sep 11	Encore Lake concert: Galaxy	Lawn by Pleasant Hill City Hall	PH Civic Action Commission	671-5229
Sep 13	CERT training class	PHPD and City Hall	Pleasant Hill CERT	www.pleasanthillcert.org
Sep 17	FLASH Book Sale	PH Library	Friends of Pleasant Hill Library	PHLibraryFriends.org
Sep 23	Anniversary Luau Party	PH Senior Center, Chateau rm	PH Senior Center	798-8788
Sep 24	Community Service Day	PH Park and around town	PH Civic Action Commission	671-5229
Oct 1-2	PH Art Jazz & Wine Fest	Downtown Crescent Drive	PH Chamber of Commerce	www.pleasanthillchamber.com
Oct 8	Rodgers Ranch Harvest Festival	Rodgers Ranch Urban Farm	Rodgers Ranch	www.RodgersRanch.org
Oct 13	CMP: Aging and its implications...	PH Senior Center, Dining room	PH Senior Center	798-8788
Oct 14	Share the Magic	PH Community Center	PH Recreation & Park District	pleasanthillrec.com
Oct 15	Giant Parking Lot Book Sale	Behind the library	Friends of the Library	PHLibraryFriends.org
Oct 21	Dementia care workshop	Hope Center Covenant Church	PH Commission on Aging	671-5221
Oct 21	DVC Drama Hairspray	DVC Drama Theatre	DVC Drama	969-2358
Oct 21	Taste of the Vine: Thirsty Friday	PH Senior Center, Chateau rm	PH Senior Center	798-8788

Registration opened August 8
for SingOut at the Firehouse!



Registration is now open for Diablo Theatre Company's SingOut!

- ★ Mini Kids (4–7 years old) Fridays 3:30–4:15pm
- ★ Kids Theatre (8–4 years old) Wednesdays or Fridays 4:15–6pm
- ★ Kids Competition Team (8–14 years old) Mondays 4–6pm
- ★ Jr. Theatre (Middle School) Tuesdays and Thursdays 4–6pm
- ★ Teen Theatre (High School) Tuesdays and Thursdays 6–8pm
- ★ Teen Competition Team (High School) Mondays 6–8pm

For more information, to register or sign up for an audition, go to www.DiabloTheatre.org.

Economic Development/Business News in Pleasant Hill...welcome to new businesses!

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 (925) 671-5213 or Kcalhoun@pleasanthillca.org.



New businesses June 2016

Antero & Tormey PC (Law Firm)
101 Gregory Lane, #46
925-352-9842
www.antlegal.com

ARCO #6059 (Gas Station)
2686 Pleasant Hill Road
925-934-4166

Blondie's Pizza
1035 Contra Costa Blvd.
925-969-9500
www.blondiespizza.com

Center of Gravity, Inc. (Early Childhood Education Center)
2702 Pleasant Hill Road
855-323-7836
www.centerofgravitycece.org

Delaney Agency
(Wholesale Vehicle Dealer)
2255 Morello Avenue, #162
925-945-8303

Gabrielle Brown-Wing
(Massage Therapy)
2367 Pleasant Hill Road
925-472-0852

Pleasant Hill Oral Surgery
401 Gregory Lane, #208
925-689-8500
www.pleasanthilloralsurgery.com

Shamrock (Automotive Sales)
200 Gregory Lane, #202B
510-693-8085

Teliah Lorraine Jackson
(Massage Therapy)
2367 Pleasant Hill Road
510-338-8268

The Organic Coup
(Organic Fast Food)
35 Crescent Drive, "D"
760-809-8309
www.theorganiccoup.com

PWCIP Management
(Civil Engineering)
510-688-8064

ROM Consulting (Bookkeeping/
Accounting/Finance Consulting)
510-259-8735

Ternes Mobile Welding
925-783-3591

Vets Move Junk
(Residential Junk Removal)

925-330-4321
www.vetsmovejunk.com

New businesses July 2016

Déjà vu, A Unique Boutique
(Women's Consignments)
1630-A Contra Costa Blvd.
925-808-8765
www.thedejavuboutique.com

Tiffany's Skin Care & Waxing
609 Gregory Lane, #220
925-323-6283

Vitality Bowls, PH, LLC
(Superfood Café)
100 Crescent Drive "C"
925-349-6845
www.vitalitybowls.com

Wildflower Massage & Skin Care
690 Gregory Lane, #5
925-948-5864

Home Inspections
925-813-0080
www.homeinspectionsllc.biz

Reach Physical Therapy, PC
209-996-7098

City Meetings

SEPTEMBER

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Thu 1 5:00pm	Architectural Review Commission	City Hall Community Room
Wed 7 6:30pm	Civic Action Commission	City Hall Small Community Room
Thu 8 5:00pm	Commission on Aging	City Hall Small Community Room
Thu 8 5:00pm	Zoning Administrator (public hearing)	Planning/Public Works Conference Room
Mon 12 7:30pm	City Council*	Council Chambers
Tue 13 6:00pm	Traffic Safety Commission	City Hall Community Room
Tue 13 6:30pm	Planning Commission (public hearing)*	Council Chambers
Thu 15 5:00pm	Architectural Review Commission	City Hall Community Room
Mon 19 7:30pm	City Council*	Council Chambers
Thu 22 5:00pm	Zoning Administrator (public hearing)	Planning/Public Works Conference Room
Tue 27 6:30pm	Planning Commission (public hearing)*	Council Chambers
Tue 28 7:00pm	Education Commission	City Hall Community Room

OCTOBER

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Mon 3 7:30pm	City Council*	Council Chambers
Wed 5 6:30pm	Civic Action Commission	City Hall Small Community Room
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* Live streaming of these meetings is available on the City's website at www.pleasanthillca.org/media.

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. The City Channel airs on Comcast Channel 28, Wave Broadband Channel 29, and AT&T UVerse Channel 99. For more information on Pleasant Hill's City Channel go to www.pleasanthillca.org/citychannel.



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City Council meetings are broadcast on Comcast channel 28, U-Verse Channel 99, and Wave Broadband 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–5:00pm
Thursday 8:30am–6:00pm
Friday 8:30am–1:00pm



The City of Pleasant Hill newsletter is published bimonthly. Deadline for articles for Nov/Dec is October 7. 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 (925) 671-5229 or email to mnelis@pleasanthillca.org.

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Fire (Business)	(925) 941-3300
Public Services Center	(925) 671-4646
Chamber of Commerce	(925) 687-0700
Recreation & Parks	(925) 682-0896
Trash and recycling	(925) 685-4711
PG&E	(800) 743-5000
Senior Center	(925) 798-8788
Senior Van Service	(925) 671-5272
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straints and structural issues, including seismic and ADA compliance, a leaking roof, asbestos in the ceilings and walls, no sprinkler system for fire suppression and insufficient HVAC. The Pleasant Hill Library Task Force has determined that a new library is required for the community.

Measure K Oversight Committee and mandatory financial audits

Measure K would establish a Citizens' Oversight Committee to ensure that all voter-approved funds would be spent appropriately. In addition, the measure requires mandatory financial audits and reports to the community regarding all revenue collected and spent on City projects and services.

If approved by the voters at the November General Election, Measure K would take effect April 1, 2017.

For additional information, visit www.pleasanthillca.org/measureK or contact Martin Nelis, Public Information Officer at mnelis@pleasanthillca.org or (925) 671-5229.

Measure K Summary

Measure K would enact a ½ cent sales tax in Pleasant Hill for 20 years generating \$4 million of additional revenue each year for the City which would fund the following services:

- ✓ Fixing potholes and repaving neighborhood streets and roads;
- ✓ Maintaining and upgrading the City's storm drains
- ✓ Adding new sidewalks, and walking and bike paths
- ✓ Constructing a new community library; and
- ✓ Funding other City projects and services that Pleasant Hill residents have indicated are important to the community.

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