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## Strizzi's and Rigatoni's Restaurants Open Their Newest Concept in Pleasanton: Rigatoni's Red Smoke Grill

"Italian BBQ at its best!" This is Rigatoni's Red Smoke Grill, offering a quick, casual experience while serving freshly prepared food using high-quality ingredients. They have combined the flavors of Santa Maria style BBQ with Italian specialties.

Rigatoni's Red Smoke Grill specializes in pan-tossed pasta to order, Santa Maria style tri-tip, rotisserie chicken, slow-roasted pulled pork and BBQ St. Louis ribs. They also have a great selection of burgers, sandwiches and salads. Open for lunch and dinner seven days a week for dine-in or take-out, they also have a great selection of party pan packages, family meal deals and full-service catering.

"We treat our guests as if they were dining in our own home," said owner Ray Bartolomucci.

At 14 years old, Ray worked weekends with his grandfather, who was head chef of a famous Beverly Hills restaurant. He learned at a young age to make homemade Italian sauces and raviolis. Ray knew at that time that one day he wanted to open his own Italian restaurant. So Ray pursued a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with a Hotel and Restaurant Management Emphasis at Cal Poly

Pomona. Ray began his career with Steak and Ale Corporation out of Dallas, Texas; but the majority of his early career was with Marriott Hotels and Restaurants Unlimited out of Seattle, Washington.

Ray opened his first Strizzi's Restaurant in San Leandro in 1986. He now owns and operates seven restaurants and a catering company: three Strizzi's locations in Downtown Pleasanton, Downtown Livermore, and in Fremont; along with three Rigatoni's locations in Castro Valley, Dublin, and Hayward. In 2016, Ray launched his premium Marinara and Vodka Sauce sauces in retail bottles that are available at all of their restaurant locations as



Rigatoni's Red Smoke Grill fits today's busy lifestyles by combining the quality of fine dining and great value in a quick service environment.

well as select local Lucky Stores. Join us at Ray's newest restaurant, "Italian BBQ at its best," located on Hopyard Road in Pleasanton!

Rigatoni's Red Smoke Grill is located at 4501 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton. [www.RigatonisRedSmokeGrill.com](http://www.RigatonisRedSmokeGrill.com).



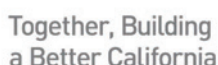
Specializing in Santa Maria style tri-tip and rotisserie chicken as well as pan-tossed pasta to order.



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# All Paws Welcome in Pleasanton!

Pleasanton is a delight for dogs and their owners. For decades, our city has welcomed our four-legged friends most everywhere in town and continues to design community amenities with our faithful friends in mind.

Wander Downtown Pleasanton any Saturday morning and you'll see canine companions resting while their owners enjoy coffee, brunch or lunch at Pleasanton Chamber member restaurants like Café Main, Inklings Coffee & Tea, and Vic's All-Star Kitchen.

Many of our businesses place water bowls and treats in front of their stores so the dogs can stay hydrated and enjoy a snack while their owners 'paws' to do a little shopping.

And of course, every Saturday, Pleasanton's well-known Farmers Market is a bustling and vibrant place. While dogs aren't allowed to wander the center of the market, they can rest at the new 'parklet' at the corner of Angela with their



**Todd Moberg**  
2017 Chairman of the Board

owners and roll on the green grass of Delucchi Park.

Beyond downtown, there are even more opportunities for Fido to frolic. Pleasanton recreation areas are designed with dogs in mind. Take Fido for a stroll along the paths around town or a jog around Ken Mercer Sports Park; hike the Pleasanton Ridge and through Shadow Cliffs; and explore the Iron Horse Trail and the many trails lining the Arroyo.



Todd Moberg's dog Jax checking out Cubby Dog Park.

For those looking for an off-leash adventure, Pleasanton is home to two dedicated dog parks: Muirwood Community Park (4701 Muirwood Dr.), and the newest one, Cubby's Dog Park at Bernal (3200 W. Lagoon Road).

Why do we do so much for our dogs? Probably because they do so much for us. Valley Humane Society understands this and has partnered for years with the Pleasanton Public Library to bring

the "Paws to Read" program to our children. Several weeks each year, children ages 5 – 12 curl up and read to members of the VHS canine comfort team, promoting literacy and a love of animals.

Pleasanton has been a dog-friendly town for decades, so if you are a dog owner, you may never run out of canine-friendly opportunities in our city.

Remember: You're always welcome here...and so is your dog!



Susan Hayes and her dog Sadie enjoying a dog-friendly event.



Mike and Sharol Cheney, owners of Valley Plumbing with Cali (left) and Rory (right).

## Go Green Initiative Partners with Pleasanton Garbage Service to Provide "Green" Jobs for Pleasanton Youth

*Interns Educate Pleasanton Businesses on New Mandatory Recycling Ordinance*



Pleasanton high school and college students are helping local businesses comply with the city's new Mandatory Recycling Ordinance (MRO). Thanks to a grant from Pleasanton Garbage Service, the Go Green Initiative hired summer interns to provide education and outreach to help businesses avoid fines from the Alameda County Waste Management Authority for non-compliance with the recycling and organics separation law that went into effect on January 1, 2017.

"I just graduated from Amador this year, and will be studying Environmental Studies at Boise St. in the fall," says Samantha Sadler, one of the interns. "I learned so much about how Pleasanton's waste system works this summer. I'm so grateful that I was able to pursue my educational interests while earning money for college."

"The students showed up one morning at Inklings Coffee & Tea, and we had an enlightening conversation about what I needed to do to comply with the new law," says Daniel Wolfe, manager of Inklings

Coffee & Tea. "The passion and knowledge helped me understand what I could be doing better, not only as a business but also as a person. I think it's very easy to not know the facts. I knew I should recycle and separate trash but to sit down and have that conversation was eye opening. Understanding that I am a part of this planet and that I'm doing things I can to protect the planet I'm on, it is something that makes me feel like I'm part of something bigger. I'm happy to be onboard!"

"We have incredibly talented students in Pleasanton who want to make the world a better place," says Jill Buck, founder & CEO of

the Go Green Initiative (GGI). "We put them through intense training, and sent them out to assist business owners. The internship was an upshot of a GGI program specifically for high school students called Local Leaders of the 21st Century. We intend to build on this internship so more students can work alongside Pleasanton adults for the sustainable, healthy future we all want."

"We have proudly supported the Go Green Initiative for 15 years, and have watched nearly a generation of students learn to become environmental stewards," says Bob Molinaro, owner of Pleasanton Garbage Service. "These young

people are authentic; conserving natural resources is very important to them. We are delighted to help provide them with an opportunity to put their values into action."

In addition to helping businesses comply with the MRO, the students had booths at the 1st Wednesday parties and Farmers' Market to talk to Pleasanton residents about recycling and composting at home. By the end of the summer, they will have taught several hundred young kids involved in YMCA programs about recycling and composting.

More information is available at [www.GoGreenInitiative.org](http://www.GoGreenInitiative.org) and [www.pleasantongarbage.com](http://www.pleasantongarbage.com)



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## Business Spotlight

## Tri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists: One-Stop-Shop for your musculoskeletal problems

**T**ri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists has been proudly serving the extended Tri-Valley community since 1985, providing the highest quality patient care for all kinds of musculoskeletal injuries or problems. They have a dedicated team of seven surgeons and physicians and three nurse practitioners who work at three convenient office locations throughout the Tri-Valley area – Pleasanton, San Ramon and Tracy. Their surgical team is quite diverse and can handle your orthopedic needs from head to toe – you can count on specialized expertise for shoulder, hand, knee, foot and ankle problems, as well as sports medicine and joint replacement.

Committed to your convenience and comfort, Tri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists uses state-of-the-art techniques designed to create substantially less pain, less need for rehabilitation and a faster return to your normal activities. Their surgeons work with

all major Tri-Valley hospitals, including Stanford-ValleyCare Medical Center in Pleasanton, Valley Memorial Hospital in Livermore, San Ramon Regional Medical Center, and Sutter Tracy Community Hospital.

As an orthopedic medical practice, they have physicians that specialize in joint replacement, sports medicine, surgery of the hand and upper extremities, and foot and ankle problems. They also offer physical and occupational therapy and have a state of the art MRI center.

“We consider TVO as one big family consisting of our providers, staff, and the community we serve,” said Maria Delgado, practice administrator. “We have implemented theme-based casual Fridays to celebrate opening days of the NFL and MLB seasons, the Golden State Warriors NBA championship, Breast Cancer Awareness, and Hawaiian, Cowboy, and 70’s fashion.”



The dedicated team at Tri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists strives to make their patients' lives easier and pain free.

“Our favorite part about being in this business is making a difference in the daily lives of our patients,” said Delgado. “We

strive to make our patients' lives easier and pain free.”

Tri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists is located at 4626 Willow Road,

Suite 200 in Pleasanton. For more information, visit their website [www.trivalleyorthopedics.com](http://www.trivalleyorthopedics.com) or call 1-866-623-7600.

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## Landmark Lending - Pleasanton's Only Diamond-Certified Lender

**R**icky Walters, of Landmark Lending in Pleasanton, is proud to be one of only three lenders in the Bay Area who has earned the prestigious Diamond Certified rating. Requiring a minimum rating of 90%, Landmark Lending had earned a distinguished 97%. Diamond Certified identifies excellence in companies which are known for their quality, satisfaction, trust and helpful expertise in service to consumers. It is a distinct privilege to be named a Diamond Certified company.

Ricky, in business as a lender for 16+ years, loves helping Veterans with their VA benefits. As a veteran himself, he has a passion for helping other vets purchase a home. "Coming back" is often a difficult transition for our men and women who have served. Ricky eases the pain of home buying, by being a trusted advisor, helping with the nuances of a VA loan.

In addition to VA, Landmark Lending offers an array of mortgage lending solutions for homebuyers within California. This is no longer a one-loan-fits-all world. There are many options for those seeking to purchase: Down payment, Jumbo, First Home, Lender-Assisted, Combo Loan, etc. Ricky, an expert in his profession, assists,

educates and assists his clients in determining which loan fits their personal needs.

"A lot of people don't know what they don't know," when the home-buying process is involved. One of Ricky's specialties is to guide his clients when they just don't know.

Honest dialogue and communication are most important to Ricky. He will guide with straightforward questions, such as, "How long do you plan to stay in this home?" and "What's the most important thing about getting this loan?" The answers provided help him to understand his clients' goals and comfortably recommend options that will make sense for them.

The ultimate goal at Landmark Lending is to oversee a client's best interests and assure that they receive exactly what they desire.

"Integrity is important to me - what I commit to is what I deliver."

Ricky is a Pleasanton Chamber Ambassador, a Pleasanton Rotarian, and member of three networking groups. He enjoys Shakespeare in the Park, and living in the Tri-Valley.

To inquire about a home or refinance loan, please contact Ricky Walters: 925-200-2798, or [rwalters@landmarklendingnetwork.com](mailto:rwalters@landmarklendingnetwork.com)



Ricky Walters



Landmark Lending

## Business Spotlight



Squash and Stretch Productions helps you get the most out of your social media advertising using customizable, one-of-a-kind, and cost-effective motion graphic videos or gifs.

## Showcase Your Business: Grab Their Attention with Animation

**"A**s a child, I fell in love with creating art, starting in preschool with a self-designed LEGO helicopter with spinning rotors," said Karl Pontau, owner of Squash and Stretch Productions.

After creating media in multiple formats, Pontau found motion graphics to be his preferred way to share his passion for design, learning, and storytelling. He is always interested in improving his skills and collaborating with other passionate individuals on creative projects. For those reasons, he started his sole proprietorship, Squash and Stretch Productions.

Squash and Stretch Productions provides motion graphics and animation services for marketing, educational, and entertainment purposes. Pontau creates engaging content that generates qualified leads for your business by telling your story, explaining what makes your business unique, and engaging your audience. "Motion graphics is a versatile tool that can create a variety of digital media, incorporate your existing brand imagery and colors, and help your business stand out from the competition," said Pontau.

The creative design, typography, and layout skills he contributes to projects are

the combination of his education and professional experience. At CSU Monterey Bay and The Academy of Art University, SF, he built a sturdy foundation in animation and graphic design and received his MFA in 3D Character Animation. Pontau's professional experience includes creating high-quality motion graphics for multiple clients, including GuideSpark. Through Squash and Stretch, he's gained the experience and perspective to manage and collaborate to produce high-quality products on time and within budget.

"I love how motion graphics allows me to help people who I'm never going to meet," said Pontau. "By helping my client advertise their businesses, I help their clients find a product or service that solves a problem they're struggling with. In addition to creating marketing content, I enjoy making animations that educate my audience about an important topic, or just make them laugh."

If you have a production team or project that could use somebody with a problem-solving attitude, excellent communication skills, and confidence to overcome challenges, contact Karl at Squash and Stretch at [kpontau@gmail.com](mailto:kpontau@gmail.com) or [www.squashandstretch.net](http://www.squashandstretch.net).



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## Business Spotlight



The first phase of Boulevard is on its way and will include three new home communities including single-family detached homes and townhomes, with pricing starting in the high \$600,000s.

# A New Home Experience is Coming to Dublin

Opening Fall 2017

**B**oulevard is a new master-planned community buzzing with life in the heart of Dublin. Just minutes from Pleasanton, near the Pleasanton/Dublin BART station and the 580/680 corridor, Boulevard will be an active, urban scene with flats, townhomes, penthouses and single-family homes. Here, residents will connect and mingle in dynamic social spaces, 15 uniquely themed neighborhoods parks,

pedestrian-friendly streets, a trail system and innovative events that will encourage a welcoming community vibe. Plus, the planned approximately 14,500-square foot recreation center will bring even more ways to get social and involved with a pool, two-story fitness and wellness facility, conference room, co-working space and gathering spaces indoors and out that residents can enjoy together and reserve for private

events. From smart, modern homes to lifestyle and wellness amenities, Boulevard will be Northern California's destination for vibrant living.

The first phase of Boulevard is on its way and will include three new home communities, Huntington by Brookfield Residential and Union and Madison by CalAtlantic Homes, as well as two themed parks, The Lounge and The Kitchen. In these first three neigh-

borhoods, single-family detached homes and townhomes will offer from 1,337 to 2,691 square feet and up to five bedrooms, with pricing starting in the high \$600,000s. And relaxing, gathering and cooking outdoors will naturally be regular events at the parks, The Lounge and The Kitchen. Boulevard's doors will open this fall.

Boulevard is a joint venture between Brookfield Residential, a leading North American land

developer and homebuilder, and CalAtlantic Homes, one of the nation's largest builders. Both builders have offices in the region, with CalAtlantic Homes in Pleasanton and Brookfield Residential in Danville.

For more information on Boulevard please visit [BldvDublin.com](http://BldvDublin.com) or reach out to Ruthann Gore, Boulevard Ambassador, at 925.314.4068. We look forward to welcoming you to Boulevard!

## Business Spotlight

# Conflict Resolution & Mediation Services

**"P**eople's lives and businesses need to thrive. If conflict is brewing, resolve it, and move forward with a process that hopefully avoids the need for costly litigation," says Donna Bratton-Kearns, MPH, JD.

As a mediator, Bratton-Kearns offers neutral dispute resolution services on a contract basis to help individuals, businesses, and organizations move beyond conflict barriers. The most effective uses for her services are in situations of discontent that may be building to the point of legal action, whether in business, between landlords and their tenants, healthcare providers and their patients, or family members during elder care. Bratton-Kearns is an experienced mediator with a demonstrated history of working in alternative dispute resolution and risk management.

She was devoted to the field of public health for the first half of her professional career, and increasingly found herself resolving patient and provider barriers and conflicts. This drew her interests toward law school, and ultimately the mediation arena.

"I believe I can offer clients a broad perspective, due to both my community and courtroom experience," she said. "I have

a Master's Degree in public health and a Juris Doctor degree. The health and law background gives me objectivity needed as a neutral mediator."

Bratton-Kearns chose to begin offering mediation services on a private contract basis at the beginning of 2017, in addition to maintaining her involvement with The Congress of Neutrals based in Walnut Creek, California. She has been affiliated with that entity since 2001, and continues to mediate cases, train, and supervise new mediators. She was honored with their Mediator of the Year award in 2011.

She recalls one of her most heated and emotional mediations involving three neighbors with a common backyard fence. Lawsuits had been filed by each, and they all agreed to try mediation before their scheduled hearing that day. After several hours of offers and counter-offers to address the fence repair, an agreement was reached. Anger turned into mutual handshakes at the end and resulted in a good outcome.

For more information on her services, visit her website at [www.dlb-kmediation.com](http://www.dlb-kmediation.com), contact her via email at [dlb-k@comcast.net](mailto:dlb-k@comcast.net) or by phone at 925-890-9425.



Donna Bratton-Kearns,  
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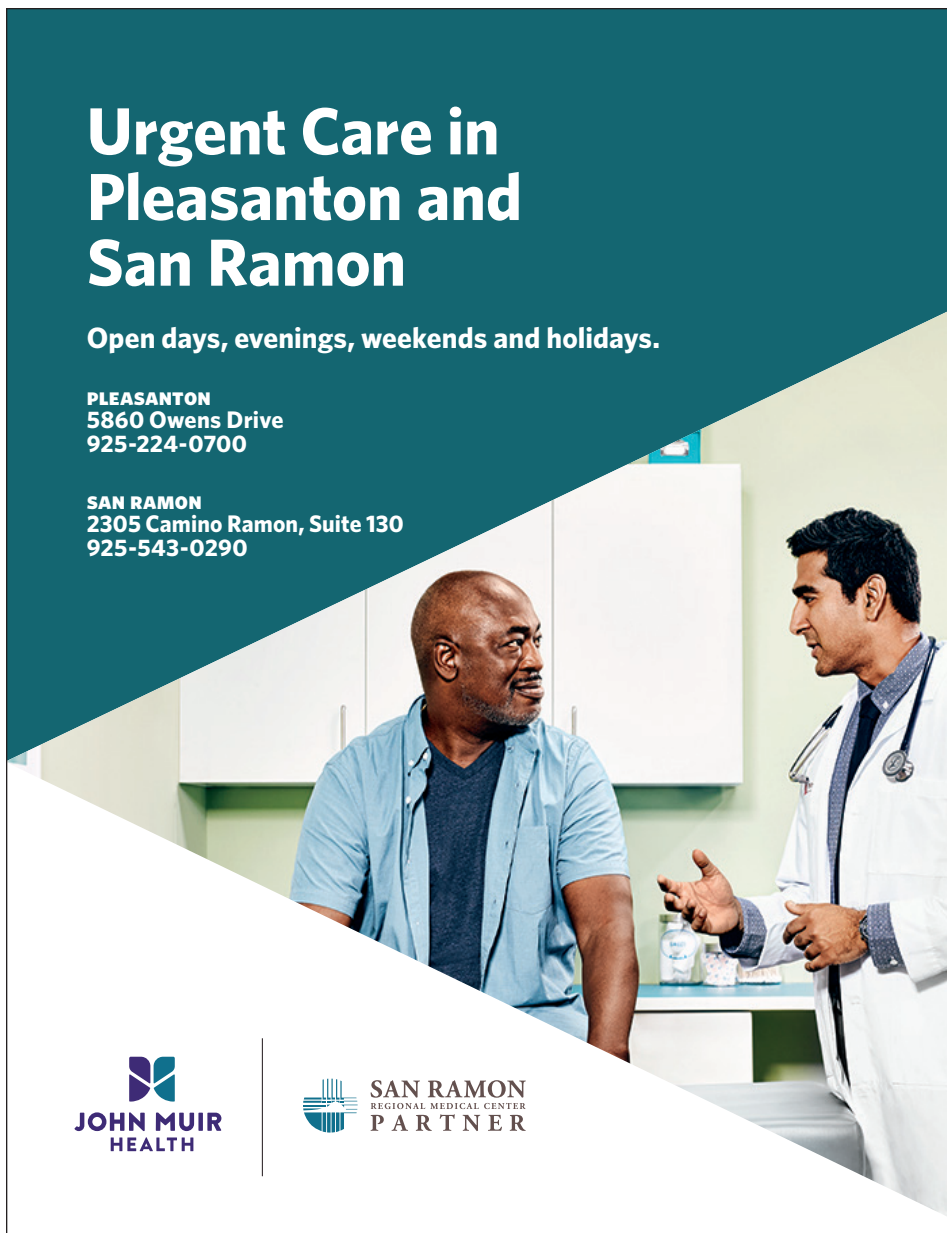
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We recommend that you look first to Chamber members for your business and consumer needs.

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### 35-39 Years

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### 30-34 Years

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### 25-29 Years

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### 15-19 Years

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### 10-14 Years

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## What our members are saying

My name is KC, and my business, Photography by KC Chen, has grown in so many ways thanks to the Pleasanton Chamber. Since I joined two years ago, the Chamber has not only helped promote my business, but also helped foster a stronger business community through the monthly mixers and networking groups where I meet other businesses owners who also look to grow their businesses in our community. Together we find ways to collaborate and help



KC Chen

spread our services. I look forward to continuing my work through the Chamber and to making Pleasanton the best place to live, work, and play.

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## Business Spotlight

## Bringing happiness and wonderment to all events

*Jack Gonsalves: Magic Marketeer*

**I** thank my 11 years at Disneyland and their training and experience for the polish of my craft at any event," said Jack Gonsalves. "My sleight of hand looks like real magic."

Gonsalves has been doing magic for pay since he was 15 years old and has over 40 years of real world experience. As a magician, he has Disney and Las Vegas in his background and has worked every type of event and scene from boardrooms and tradeshows to hospital rooms.

"At the hospital gift shop, buying a magic book while waiting for my baby brother to be born at the age of seven was my first experience in the world of magic," said Gonsalves. He started showing his tricks to family and



friends and loved their reactions. After that, a magician was born.

He joined the Long Beach Mystics in 1966, a well-known youth magic club. Since then, he has worked for Knotts Berry Farm, Disneyland, corporate hotels, private events and parties and he did tradeshows for 10 years across 18 different states.

From the laughter of children in a cancer ward to a man or woman's amazed looks of having seen magic for the first time, this is what excites him and he says it never gets old.

He recalls a unique memory, entertaining grandchildren at their grandmothers wake. "The family hired me previously for grandma's birthday and she got so much joy from the magic. She had mentioned that she was sad that all the other grandchildren could not see and experience the magic. With grandma's passing, the family decided to embrace the last joyful moment grandma had and hired me for the wake," said Gonsalves. "Making great memories is a privilege."

"When you do what you love, the work is always joyful," said Gonsalves. Contact him at 209-277-1937 or at Jackfgonsalves@gmail.com for auditions at no charge.

## Business Spotlight



Chef Colin Chen

## Former Le Cordon Bleu Instructor Brings Expertise to BaoTea Café

**C**hef Colin Chen is bringing his 35 years of culinary experience to Pleasanton with his own restaurant, BaoTea Café. Now open on Koll Center Parkway, BaoTea is featuring everything from grab-n-go salads, steamed bun sandwiches and fried chicken cutlets to coffee, espresso drinks, fruit and milk tea and shaved ice.

"This is a new concept that we're trying by using my professional culinary techniques and skills to create Asian and international food and drinks in a casual environment," said Chen. "We want to make it a one-stop-shop for working people as well as families." BaoTea features

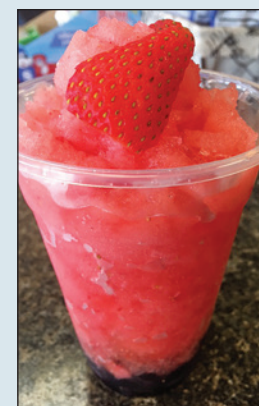
healthy and fresh options, with all dressings and sauces made in-house, with no additives or by-products. All fruit teas use fresh seasonal fruit and the salads and meats are made fresh daily.

Chen's experience in upscale hotels and fine dining restaurants spans all over the world, from San Francisco to Singapore, including Shangri-La hotel, La Folie restaurant in the city and other Michelin restaurants. He was the winner of the California Culinary Academy Iron Chef Competition that competed with a Master French Chef and a Master Italian Chef. He was also an instructor for Le Cordon Bleu

in San Francisco and was the head of the Culinary Department for GlobalChef Academy in Singapore.

"I would like to use everything I have learned over the years to contribute to our local community, providing a healthy, delicious, and enjoyable dining experience for everyone," said Chen.

BaoTea is a family-run business with Chen's wife Eva creating all of the tea drinks. From catering to a breakfast pastry counter to a grab-n-go salad for lunch, BaoTea has something for everyone. Visit BaoTea Café at 6654 Koll Center Parkway Suite 318 in Pleasanton.



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