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New programs designed for your health, well-being and care

Jeanette Schaub Health and Wellness by Design — Jeanette Schaub is a Certified Health & Master Life Coach helping you bring your “A-Game” to your relationships so you can navigate with confidence and grace, reduce conflict and confusion, and create harmony and happiness. The many relationships in our lives that bring us so much joy, can also be complex and cause stress and anxiety. What if I told you it is possible to transform your relationships and create the peace you desire without losing yourself (and sanity) in the process? It's true! Learn more at www.livinitbydesign.com.



Now open at the former Pleasanton Hotel

Rubys & Roses — Rubys & Roses is a new dining experience located in the heart of downtown Pleasanton that offers an elegant atmosphere, specializing in American cuisine and cocktails. The restaurant is perfect for those looking to indulge in a luxurious dining experience. From the delicious starters to the mouth-watering entrees and decadent desserts, Rubys and Roses offers a culinary experience that is sure to impress. The restaurant's signature cocktails are expertly crafted and perfectly complement the menu, making Rubys and Roses the perfect destination for a special night out. Learn more at rubysandrosesrestaurant.com. Located at 855 Main Street in Pleasanton.



Get healthier through specific, gentle chiropractic care

Alexander Chiropractic and Wellness — Is pain or decreased function leaving you feeling sidelined in life? Perhaps you've been searching for a chiropractor in town. However, you don't want to waste your time, money, and health going to someone who doesn't have your best interest at heart. We get it. At Alexander Chiropractic and Wellness, we have an excellent reputation for providing care that gets results. Our doctors are passionate about helping their community live happier and healthier lives. Friendly and caring, our doctors will provide the healing help you need. We welcome new patients, both young and old, with open arms. Our approach to chiropractic care is gentle and specific. Learn more at alexanderchiro.com. Located at 7031 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 160 in Pleasanton.



Providing baby essentials that every child deserves

Little Miracles — At Little Miracles Inc., our vision is a community where all new parents are embraced, equipped, and empowered to care for their baby. Little Miracles Inc., a Christian inspired nonprofit, aims to provide essential baby supplies and clothing to every Tri-Valley parent in need. We count on little miracles, just like you, to help make a difference in the lives of struggling new parents. Little Miracles' staff is entirely made up of volunteers. Donations will be used to purchase non-reusable baby necessities as well as to cover our operating costs. Most importantly, your gift will help bring hope to new parents with limited economic means. Learn more at littlemiraclespleasanton.org. The new donation center is located at 1039 Serpentine Lane, Suite E in Pleasanton.

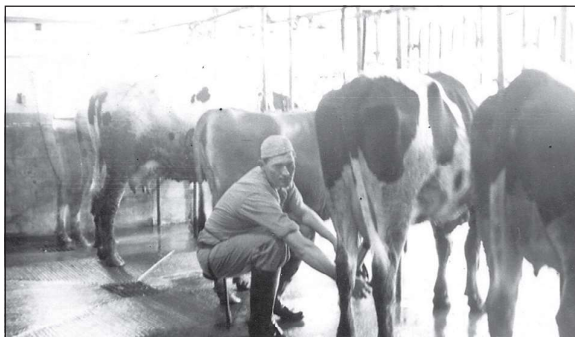
Meadowlark Dairy

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Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Friday through Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., the number of young adults working at the Dairy ranges from just a handful midday during the week to as many as 24 at a time on the weekends. Not to be forgotten is the afternoon (after school) rush, which is a busy shift for 16-17 staff at a time.

“I’ve always enjoyed it,” said Jesse of working with local high school students. “The kids make it fun; they all have their own personality and the atmosphere they bring keeps me going.”

As with so many things in today’s world, the pandemic really changed the day-to-day operations of the Dairy. In 2020 and 2021, nearly 90% of their business became groceries as opposed to ice cream.



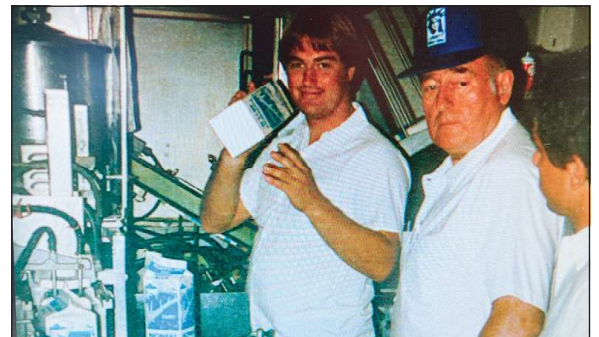
Jannes Takens at the Dairy in 1951 when it was located on Old Foothill Road, now Alviso Adobe.

“Today, it’s probably back to about 60% ice cream. And really any time after noon, it is mostly ice cream,” said Jesse.

At the end of 2022, the Dairy started offering Meadowlark branded clothing (hats, sweatshirts, t-shirts) and accessories for purchase. “We

had a kid that was interested in design, and he was really good at drawing, so I asked him to draw some stuff for us. He still works here a couple of days a week.”

From being the first certified dairy in California to opening up the current downtown drive-thru



Bruce and Jannes Takens at the Neal Street dairy location in the 1980s just before the dairy stopped processing milk.

location, delivering milk to schools across the bay area, selling soft serve ice cream, and making merchandise, the Takens family has had quite the journey. The one constant that’s stood the test of time is the Takens family bringing joy to countless families in the area

through the old-town vibe that is the Meadowlark Dairy.

“We don’t change very much, but when we do it’s noticeable,” said Jesse. “As all the grocery needs change, we’ll have some different stuff. But the ice cream and milk products will always be here.”