

# Black Tie Transportation proud to serve seniors in the Pleasanton community

Using the first year of the pandemic, public transportation was deeply affected. Staffing of qualified individuals was difficult. More than ever, people needed a reliable solution to get to doctor's appointments, dialysis, get prescriptions filled and even go grocery shopping.

The City of Pleasanton operated a fairly robust transportation network for seniors over the age of 70 in the community pre-pandemic. However, with all the challenges brought on by COVID-19, the city found it difficult to maintain. Pleasanton knew that it was critical for this particular community to find a solution and produced a Request for Proposal (RFP) to contract with a local transportation partner.

"Based on our ability to blend most of the operations with current operating systems, the city selected us,"



said Bill Wheeler, President/CEO of Black Tie Transportation. "We were able to reduce the cost to the city by up to \$300,000 annually," he said, referencing use of Black Tie's proprietary software solution, combined with the fact that they re-purposed the equipment that the city owned.

Pleasanton Rides is a door-to-door, shared-ride transportation service for Pleasanton seniors, currently serving an average of 30 clients per day, five days a week. Most of the drivers are transitioned Chauffeurs with Black Tie. "Our clients tell us that service has never been better," said Wheeler. "We call it: Seniors driving Seniors."

Eligible Pleasanton Seniors with transportation needs throughout Pleasanton and to select destinations



Pleasanton Rides is a community partnership between Black Tie Transportation, the City of Pleasanton and the Alameda County Transportation Commission.

in the Tri-Valley can learn more by visiting www.blacktietrans.com/ pleasanton-rides and calling by calling 925-398-1045.

Black Tie Transportation has served the people of Pleasanton for

over 37 years, and Wheeler said he is most proud of serving seniors in our community. "We're truly blessed that the City of Pleasanton recognizes, honors and supports our most valued residents," said Wheeler.



Eligible Pleasanton seniors with transportation needs may use the service Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Ashley Hardy and Chauffeur Karl Steinkamp in the Black Tie dispatch center that manages and coordinates the Pleasanton Rides reservations.





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# **Chambers of Commerce -Representing businesses for over 400 years**

n my role as President/CEO of a Chamber of Commerce, I meet many people who

have little or no previous experience with my type of organization. There is a hazy perception that businesses are part of the Chamber. but we are often confused with local government. This is likely due to the Chamber's focus on

economic development activities, our presence

of local events and business meetings. But a Chamber of Commerce, at least the version found in the United States, is a private, member-



President/CEO Pleasanton Chamber

at public meetings, and as the host

ship-based non-profit organization whose members are mostly local businesses and organizations. We are not part of the gov-

ernment. The idea of a Chamber of Commerce goes back to a time before the United States was a country. The first Chamber of Commerce was founded in Marseille, France, in 1599. It was formed by local government and businesses to help establish rules governing trade and to promote business. The first U.S. Chamber started in the State

The Chamber Board and

staff are currently work-

ing on the Chamber's

Over the past few

months, each Chamber

committee has engaged

in SWOT analysis, iden-

first strategic plan.

of New York in 1768, before the

United States became a country.

And the first California Chamber was founded in San Francisco in 1850, during the gold rush. We are an old idea that has stood the test of time because we are made up of people who care about their community.

The purpose of a Chamber of Commerce is to promote and increase local commerce in a way that best serves their community. This is an effort that is truly focused on "raising the tide for all" as we work together to increase awareness of our businesses and community, knowing that as it grows so does the potential for each organization in town. Our tools include networking activities (business mixers), business advocacy (committees), community promotion, and special events (tradeshows) that draw attention to businesses. The particulars of a Chamber's effort differ from place to place due to the fact each location has its own unique makeup of businesses and people. But broadly, each Chamber works to make its community the best place it can be for all.

The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce has been representing the interests of Pleasanton businesses for over 75 years. Chambers around the world have been doing the same for businesses for over 400 years. Stop by or contact the Pleasanton Chamber today to learn more about how we can be of service to you and your organization.

# **Chamber Board considers strategic changes**



Jill Buck Board Chair

tifying the Chamber's strengths, weakness-

Pleasanton Chamber es, opportunities and ity of high-achieving organizations. threats. The Board and CEO have

been working through a deep dive into seven focus areas of the Chamber's operations. Board members have formed four ad-hoc committees to examine the following areas: membership services: committee & organizational structure: finance; and diversity, equity and inclusion.

In the coming months, we will establish the goals that will serve as the pillars of the Strategic Plan, coupled with a detailed implementation timeline. Our overarching purpose in creating this plan is to ensure that we serve our members and our community to the best of our ability. Member input has been sought at various points in the process through surveys, but if there is anything you'd like to share with me about this process or about the outcomes you are hoping for, please email me at chamberjillbuck@gmail.com.

# **Building lasting connections**

viving back to your com-- munity has to be one of the most gratifying things you can do in your personal and professional life," said Pleasanton Young Professionals (PYP) Board Chair David Wong. The PYPs held a special philanthropic mixer in May to help support Foster Care Awareness Month for Agape Villages, and

ing intermittent mile-

stones is a hallmark activ-

Wong said it was, "such a humbling experience seeing everyone attend and help show their support for an amazing cause." The committee was able to fundraise money as well as gather donated items to support the cause, and would like to recognize the Pleasanton Chamber Ambassadors.

Porky's Pizza Palace, and

making the event a great success. A

recap video of the event can be seen

by scanning the PYPs QR code. For the past three years, the Pleasanton Young Professionals have been in a rebuilding phase, brought on by challenges that were dependent on the state of the world. In the last six months, the committee has seen significant change as well as

> as well as the support of the Pleasanton Chamber of of the PYPs.

professional life and busi-

ness, and being able to build connections that can last a lifetime," said Wong.



The Pleasanton Young Professionals at a monthly mixer earlier this summer at Oasis Wine Lounge in downtown Pleasanton.

The PYPs hold monthly networking mixers and bimonthly professional development workshops, while focusing on philanthropy and volunteer opportunities to give back to the community. If you would like to join the PYPs at any of their events, check out the Pleasanton Chamber events calendar at www. pleasanton.org or follow the PYPs

@pleasantonyoungprofessionals. Scan the QR code to visit the PYPs

on social media for real-time updates

online, Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn and check out their upcoming events



on the Chamber calendar.

Mirador Capital Partners is proud to be celebrating its 10th Anniversary in July 2023. Mirador has experienced a decade of growth in Pleasanton, driven by a commitment to make our clients' lives more profitable, simple, and fun. Since its inception, Mirador has been dedicated to providing exceptional investment advice and financial planning to individuals, families, and businesses across Pleasanton and beyond. We look forward to our next decade of growth as we continue to invest in the Tri-Valley both through the companies located here and through our involvement in the community.

Learn more about Mirador at miradorcp.com



David Wong Board Chai Pleasanton Young Professionals Mochiholic for their contributions to

growth. Wong cites the importance of the PYPs executive committee

Commerce as key components in the development "It's more than just gaining leads and refer-

rals," said Wong. "It's about giving back to our community, developing the mindset and skills to push you forward in your



# **REACHing Dreams of Independence**

ver the past thirty years, Tri-Valley REACH, a local 501c3 nonprofit, has been dedicated to building inclusive communities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) to live independently in the region.

REACH aims to create local, affordable, and equitable living options that facilitate a path towards independence. "The need for such housing and services in our community continues to grow, and REACH plays a critical role in fulfilling this need," noted Jamie Renton, REACH Board Member and Adults with Disabilities Transition Specialist for Pleasanton Unified School District's Pleasanton Adult and Career Education. As cited by the Regional



Center of the East Bay, more than 3,150 individuals with I/DD are living in the Tri-Valley. Additionally, the prevalence of autism and other forms of I/DD are increasing, with 1-in-38 eight-year olds nationwide being impacted, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

"Individuals with I/DD face numerous challenges when it comes to employment opportunities, often experiencing lower rates of employment compared to individuals without disabilities. To meet this growing need, rental fees at REACH properties are income based, ranging as low as \$350 per month. This provides individuals with I/DD access to independent living–even with an extremely low income," said Renton.

To support these growing efforts, REACH is hosting its annual REACH for Your Dreams event on Thursday, September 14, 2023. The event aims to raise essential funds to build and maintain inclusive communities for adults with I/DD to live independently. Sponsorships from local individuals, businesses, and organizations are instrumental in supporting REACH's efforts to expand its capacity to aid some of our most vulnerable community members.

By attending, sponsoring, or making a donation to the REACH for Your



REACH Board Members, Jamie Renton (second from right) and Sharon Almeida (left), with REACH Residents (left to right) Tony Anderson, Connor Ciraulo, Andrew Trevallion, and Dan van Looy.

DREAMS event, you can directly contribute to bridging the gap in funding for future REACH residents.

To learn more about Tri-Valley REACH or how to sponsor the event, please visit their website at www.trivalleyreach.org. Philanthropic contributions to Tri-Valley REACH can be made online at trivalleyreach.org or be mailed to P.O. Box 5564 Pleasanton, CA 94566. All donations are fully tax deductible – Federal Tax ID # 94-3158507.



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There are five major mistakes that you don't want to make when you file for Social Security Benefits. The good news is that they are all easy to avoid with a little preplanning.

- Mistake of taking
- retirement Social Security benefits early • Misunderstanding or unaware of spousal
- benefits
- Not planning for widow's Social Security Benefits, survivor benefits
- Divorced spousal and divorced widow's
- benefitsCoordinate couple's Social Security Benefits

In 1969, Kinley Wong's family left Hong



Kong to begin a new life in the United States. "As an adult, I've taken the values of my youth along with integrity and applied them to my own financial planning business," said Kinley of Bridges Wealth Strategies.

"My priority is to ease your mind by helping you develop an advice-based comprehensive financial plan which includes custom designed strategies to not only meet your current lifestyle needs but to give you the confidence of a financially secure future," said Kinley. "Let me help you to ease your stress by helping to ensure the protection of your wealth is continually monitored," he said. Please email kinley.wong@

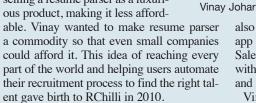
LFG.com or call (925) 659-0267 for more information on the dates and times for the Social Security Benefits Workshop. CRN-5779610-062823.



#### **Business Spotlight**

# Helping companies hire better talent faster

A ving graduated from IIT (India) in 1999, Vinay Johar visited Silicon Valley and was captivated by the entrepreneurial spirit thriving there. This ignited a passion within him to create his venture. He found recruitment as a niche and realized many companies were selling a resume parser as a luxuri-



"As a customer-focused company, we work tirelessly to serve companies and hiring managers and develop features tailored to their requirements," said Vinay. "This is why our customers choose to stay with us for the long haul. We prioritize the utmost importance of candidate data security, too."

Since its inception, RChilli has been a trusted partner for parsing, matching, and data enrichment, helping 1,600+ customers in 50+ countries streamline their hiring processes with innovative products backed by an industry-leading tech stack. Today, many Fortune 500 companies, including top-notch ERP, ATS, job boards, enterprises, and staff-

ing companies are experiencing the benefits of using its products. "It was by leveraging AI engines

I brought to table our first product, a resume parser, that made the process of pre-screening candidate resumes seamless. However, we didn't want to limit ourselves to just one product. So, we enhanced our product performance in many other ways," he said. RChilli

also has its multilingual resume parsing app available on Oracle Cloud Marketplace, Salesforce AppExchange, and integration with Zapier, Powerautomate, Greenhouse, and many more.

Vinay has been lauded with many esteemed accolades and recognition from renowned institutions. Additionally, the company earned recognition as a finalist for the highly coveted Top 100 USA Technology Firm by Red Herring.

Browse through the website www.rchilli. com to know more about the company, email vinay@rchilli.com or speak to Vinay at 408-201-9444.



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# National Financial Literacy Campaign comes to Pleasanton

From Wall Street to Main Street, World System Builder's Pleasanton Financial Center is creating positive change by leading the Financial Education Revolution. World System Builder is a community of financial professionals on a mission to deliver the best financial education and revolutionize the financial services industry through a reliable, build-able system.

WSB's Pleasanton Financial Center is focused on making financial education accessible to everyone. Individuals, families and businesses can benefit from financial workshops held all over North America.

### How much does it cost to attend our workshops? Nothing.

We believe so much in educating, understanding and empowering families, that we are currently offering our Financial Workshops completely complimentary. We're positive that you and your family will benefit from our workshops and financial professionals. Your friends and co-workers will too. It's just part of our mission and commitment to helping families save their future.

Pleasanton Financial Center has partnered with many companies to add value to their business by educating their employees. Since 2016, their campaigners have introduced their workshops to individuals, small and large corporations. Since then, they have learned that financial education is a need for everyone.



Financial education isn't an option. It's a necessity. World System Builder is committed to educating and empowering 30 Million families by 2030.



Financial Education isn't an option, it's a necessity.

Be part of the campaign that is revolutionizing the financial industry with a system that bridges financial education and financial independence. WSB's Pleasanton Financial Center is located at 7031 Koll Center Parkway Suite 150 in Pleasanton. Contact Celvie Toramaya to learn more at celvie.wsb@gmail.com.



#### **Your Trusted Partner in Pet Care**

F ounded in 2004 and franchising since 2018, Woofie's is the first and only franchise in the professional pet care services industry to offer the combined services of pet sitting, dog walking and mobile pet spa services. Woofie's of Walnut Creek is the first Woofie's franchise to open in the state of California.

The franchise is owned and operated by Danville resident Kavita Sohal, an entrepreneur who is passionate about animals, her family and community, and always dreamed of starting a family-oriented business. When she became aware of Woofie's, "It just felt right," according to Sohal. Woofie's fits in with her love of pets and the fact that the franchise is a business that serves her local community is a welcomed benefit. Together with her husband Roman, who is a CCO in the Fintech industry, and their two kids, Ram 9, the family athlete, and Jaya 7, who aspires to be a dog walker and groomer when she grows up, the family is excited to work together to grow the new venture.

Sohal and her family also include King Louie who is 10, an Airedale Terrier, and they just welcomed a brother and sister duo of Yorkshire terrier puppies Sir Thor & Lady Bella. King Louie's picture is placed prominently on the Walnut Creek Woofie's mobile pet spa, which ensures a luxurious experience for pets and their people.

Woofie's is currently hiring dog walkers, pet sitters, Bed & Biscuit sitters, groomers and bathers. Visit www.woofies.com/walnut-creek for a full list of cities and towns Woofie's of Walnut Creek serves.

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We have a big need for bilingual English/Spanish speakers.

(925) 829-8770 HopeHospice.com/volunteer



#### **Membership Anniversaries**



During the past two months, nearly 80 businesses renewed their investment in the chamber, thereby demonstrating their continued commitment to community excellence while realizing the benefits, services and representation associated with membership in Pleasanton's leading business organization.

We recommend that you look first to chamber members for your business and consumer needs.

62 Years Pleasanton Garbage Service **50 Years** Graham-Hitch Mortuary 40-45 Years Big O Tires of Pleasanton Randick O'Dea & Tooliatos, LLP Livermore-Amador Symphony Kaiser Permanente-Diablo Service Area Lupeika, Walt, CPA Ross Property Management Inc. Pleasanton Unified School District

#### 30-39 Years

Hively Pleasanton Downtown Association Sallmann, Yang & Alameda Four Points by Sheraton Mavridis Investments 1st United Credit Union Schwaegerle, Gary-Schwaegerle, Realtors Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Hope Hospice, Inc. Costco Wholesale

#### 20-29 Years

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# **Serendipity Beauty Lounge:** Where beauty meets art

he art of using our medical background and the latest technologies to help enhance the beauty of our clients is a blessing." Serendipity Beauty Lounge was created by two passionate registered nurses looking to provide the best outcomes to clients within the local community.

#### Manpreet Khakh, MSN, RN

Manpreet is an experienced, Master's prepared regis-tered nurse who enjoys serving others kindheartedly. She attended the University of San Francisco, earning a Master of Science in Nursing. She also

received a California Clinical Nurse Leader Certification. Manpreet has over 11 years of experience in various healthcare settings. Her roles included neurology, urology, fertility, post op care and urgent care. As healthcare shifted during Covid-19, so did her desires to care for others. She took that passion and put it into shifting her focus to aesthetics. As a clinical nurse leader, Manpreet assesses and provides evidence-based care to all her patients while ensuring process improvement at all levels. Overall, she delivers the highest level of care.

#### Tamara Martin, RN, BSN

Tamara has 11 years of nursing experience ranging from school nurse for special needs students to urgent care and most recently a labor and delivery nurse for a major hospital in the Bay Area. She obtained her Licensed Vocational Nursing

degree from City College in San Francisco, her associates degree in nursing from College of San Mateo, and her bachelor's degree in nursing from California State University, East Bay. Tamara's bedside manner is unmatched, and her skillset makes for a perfect care provider during your most vulnerable moments. After



Serendipity Beauty Lounge is located at 4450 Black Avenue, Suite A in Pleasanton.

working in the hospital setting for so many years, Tamara decided to mix things up a bit and branch out into the happy medicine that is aesthetics. She is committed to providing her patients with the best possible outcomes using the safest techniques.

Manpreet and Tamara are under the supervision of Dr. Kyon Hood, who is a board-certified physician that has practiced medicine for nearly 20 years. Serendipity Beauty Lounge provides a modern spa experience centered around providing clients evidence-based medical procedures. The spa is open by appointment only and specializes in full facial rejuvenation and harmonization, and offers medical grade and holistic grade skincare, dermal fillers, neuromodulators better known as Botox, micro needling, HydraFacial and more. Visit them online at www.theserendipitvlounge.com, on Facebook. Instagram or call them at 925-400-8447.

# Hively

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Providing resources that strengthen and support children and their families

Hively Mental Health - Hively celebrated the opening of Hively Mental Health in Pleasanton, the second of two site-certified clinical therapy locations for the longtime Tri-Valley nonprofit. Hively also provides clinical mental health services from offices in San Leandro. Hively CEO Mary Hekl said, "The additional Pleasanton location helps to accomplish the goal of available, accessible, and affordable community mental health services, providing Tri-Valley residents with a menu of low-cost options to address a variety of needs. Hively will offer in-person and remote one-toone therapy, as well as group counseling sessions. Additionally, Hively's MFT Trainee program will ensure the supply of licensed therapists continues to build to meet the increasing need for services." Learn more at behively.org.



Tri Valley REACH - Tri-Valley REACH builds inclusive communities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live independently by providing resources, education, activities, community, and housing opportunities. REACH envisions a community that supports their efforts to help adults with intellectual disabilities to live, access and participate fully in all aspects of an activity or service in the same way as any other member of the community. REACH relies completely on the partnership of individuals, corporations, foundations, civic organizations and city governments to support their work within the neurodiverse community. Learn more at trivalleyreach.org

# **Leadership Pleasanton** program open for registration

Pleasanton Chamber of he Commerce is pleased to announce the opening of registration for the Leadership Pleasanton program for the Class of 2024.

Leadership Pleasanton was created by the Pleasanton Chamber in 1988 and has produced more than 800 graduates in its 30-plus years. In the Fall of each year, 30 individuals from local businesses, professional, government and service organizations as well as residents begin participating in monthly, day-long sessions, culminating in a graduation in May. Participants have the opportunity to go behind the scenes with current leaders in the community to learn what makes Pleasanton work.

"This popular program offers community members the chance to expand their personal and professional networks while having fun and learning about how all the segments of our community work together to make it an amazing place to live and work," said Pleasanton Chamber Community Foundation Chair-Elect



A Program to Develop Community Leaders

Susan Hayes. The Chamber's Community Foundation sponsors the Leadership Pleasanton program.

The Leadership Pleasanton program is open to everyone in the community and online registration for the Class of 2024 is open at www.pleasanton.org/leadershippleasanton/. The class is expected to be at capacity this summer with a max of 30 individuals, and all interested participants must register by July 31, 2023. A limited number of sponsorship opportunities are available as well as partial scholarships for the program. For more information about Leadership Pleasanton, email program director Yianna Theodorou at yianna@ pleasanton.org.



Teriyaki City Grill - Teriyaki City Grill is Japanese cuisine with teppanyaki-style grill. Now open in the Bernal Corporate Plaza shopping center located at 6654 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 335 in Pleasanton. In honor of Teriyaki City's Grand Opening, they are having a Grand Opening Special featuring California rolls for just \$1 for the first 30 days. Call Teriyaki City Grill at 925-425-7300 or visit them online at teriyakicity.com.

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Phil Scholz Veterinary Surgery Center — The Phil Scholz Veterinary Surgery Center provides much-needed spay and neuter services to the public as well as shelter and rescue partners, many of whom experience significant delays in locating available spay/neuter appointments for their adoptable animals. With the ability to perform up to 140 surgeries a week, the surgery center will significantly reduce local pet overpopulation, enable rescue groups to ready their homeless pets for adoption faster, and move animals from shelters, including Valley Humane Society, into homes more quickly. They are currently booking appointments for low-cost spay/neuter. Learn more at www.valleyhumane.org/programs/surgery-center/.



**ZF Group** — ZF is illustrating how the Software-defined vehicle (SdV) can transform mobility with new functions through advanced software and hardware connected systems at the opening of its new West Coast Mobility Hub in Pleasanton, California. At the heart of its SdV demonstration is ZF Group's High Performance ProConnect computing platform, which provides a continuous data loop in connected vehicles that allows for cloud-based computing and over-the-air (OTA) updates through the networking of GPS and Cloud-based features. ZF is a global technology company supplying systems for passenger cars, commercial vehicles and industrial technology, enabling the next generation of mobility. ZF allows vehicles to see, think and act. Learn more at www.zf.com.



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