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# Successful Spring Celebration raises over \$8,500

Once again, the Spring Celebration, the Kensington Community Council's annual fund-raiser, was a great success, as longtime residents mingled with many newer members of the community sharing the wonderful gourmet food and admiring the art and many other items donated for the auction. Sponsors were Andronico's Markets, Marvin Gardens, and Mechanics Bank. PagePoint Web Solutions sponsored the children's party, which featured films and pizza. More people attended than in recent years, and the party raised over \$8,500. This money contributes towards recreation and education programs overseen by the KCC. The council is responsible for the Kensington After School Enrichment Program, the KCC summer camp, and the publication of this newspaper, in addition to other adult and youth classes held at Kensington Park.

KCC sends a big thank you to all for their generous donations and



Gretchen Gillfillan and KCC Director Bruce Morrow share a few words across a panoply of gourmet delights at the Spring Celebration.

contributions to the silent auction including, Alex Brown, Arlington Pharmacy, Nicole Becker, Berkeley Chamber Performances, Patty and Leo Carrousel, Patty Coluse, Contra Costa Civic Theater, Narsai David, Anne and John Forrest, Barbara Fracchia, Ruth Frassetto, Dena Frederic, Laurie Freeman, Joseph Holmes, Helen Horowitz, Wendy Hurley, Keith Jefferds, Elizabeth Kavaler, Cindy Kimball, Mitch Lucio, Merrill Lynch, More Than a Carpenter, Nation's Foodservice, Gordon Osmundson, Ted and Lorraine Osmundson, Kate Peterson Designs, Danille Power, Sarah Ray, Margie Richardson, Semifreddi's Bakery, Patricia and James Shinn, Elsie Sinclair, Jane Stensland, Anne and Doug Stewart, Peter and Ann Tait, Barbara Tapp, Clif and Jane Taylor, Ten Speed Press, The Glenn, UC Botanical Garden, Carla Van Slyke, Jim and Dorothy Walker, and Jennifer Zimmermann. Your gifts and services and greatly appreciated. More pictures inside.



*Colusa Circle showing the impact of the proposed development. More photos are available in the library.* 

The development of Colusa Circle continues to be a contentious issue. At the February Kensington Municipal Advisory Council (KMAC) meeting, a new proposal was announced for the development of part of Colusa Circle. The proposal is for the block that includes 401 Colusa Avenue. This area is covered by a Planned Unit Development (PUD) that was designated by Contra Costa County in 1983. The chair of KMAC, Ray Barraza, pointed out that the original PUD plans have changed over time. He noted that in the original plan the small house opposite Colusa Market and the subject property were to have become multilevel parking.

# **Development on Colusa Circle**

accommodation for eight off-street parking places and adds four additional, parallel spaces on the Circle itself. According to county regulations, the area of this site calls for 15 off-street spaces. The architects and owner are asking for a variance to reduce the number.

KMAC has repeatedly requested that a traffic and parking study be made. The developer responded that the study had not been carried out due to noncooperation of the other landowners.

The KMAC discussion centered on how to interpret the impact of the project on parking in the neighborhood, and several KMAC members as well as the developer offered interpretations of the impact. Several parties indicated their belief that the impact would be best measured through a parking study. KMAC board member Kay Reed cited recent thinking in the urban planning community, which holds that lower ratios of parking area to developed area might be desirable to encourage public transit and walking, although she acknowledged that there has not been much success in changing travel modes.

Pamela Brown asked why the developer had not removed the proposed third floor from the design to respond to concerns about bulkiness. The developer and the architect noted that the additional space provided by the third floor made the project more financially attractive.

Public comment included a mention of spoiling the views from houses on Santa Fe Ave and concerns about the height of the northern building, public right-of-way, and traffic flow. It should be noted that when the original PUD was established, El Cerrito Plaza had not been built, and the needs of the community have radically changed in the intervening 24 years. KMAC generally supported the changes to the project and were virtually unanimous in recommending that a parking study be conducted so that the council could properly assess possible parking impacts. The developer requested a continuance in order to complete a parking study and to prepare new drawings.

Center. There have been requests that the Outlook post the addresses of properties to be discussed. Unfortunately, the agenda is open until two weeks before the meeting, which is after the paper has been delivered. The April 24 meeting should see the return of this project, as well as another Colusa Circle project that is also part of the PUD. Advance notification is available, as the parties to both projects have been asked to present at the same meeting, as they share common neighbors and will create similar impacts. Other citizens have asked that the notifications be sent to a wider circle of surrounding neighbors. Regulations call for announcements to be delivered in a 300' radius from any house to be discussed. Notifications are hand-delivered by volunteer members of KMAC, and the job already takes a lot of time. The agenda is always publicly posted on the About Kensington website (www. aboutkensington.com/kmac.html), on the notice board outside the Public Safety building, at the veterinary office on Colusa Circle, and on the KIC kiosk outside the Arlington Pharmacy.

The current plan, on view at the library until the April 24 meeting, has

KMAC meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month, in the Community

# **Preparing for the Spring Carnival**

The Kensington Hilltop School PTA and Dads' Club are preparing for the Annual Spring Carnival, which will be held on Saturday, May 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. "It's so great to be doing the carnival in the new school, and once again we get to fire up the new BBQ that we built last year," said Dads' Club copresident Rodney Dunican. "We expect this to be another wonderful fund-raising event, supporting the Hilltop educational programs." The carnival will include many games and activities, including Catapulting Water Balloons, a perennial favorite. There will a superb lunch cooked by Dads' Club chefs, treats from the bake sale, and a visit from the Kensington Police and Fire Departments. Revenue from the event will go toward school and classroom supplies. Once again, a beautiful quilt will be raffled at the carnival. This year's quilt is called Crazy Quilt, See Spring Carnival on page 9

Designer Sarah Ray creating Crazy Quilt with Hilltop help.





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LETTERS

### **Missing pole on Arlington**

Editor-Why can't the county replace a simple light pole on the Arlington that has been down for 7+ months? It was snapped off at its base by an auto and only removed from the sidewalk approximately two weeks after the crash

The County Public Works Department has been contacted by phone twice, and Supervisor Gioia's office has been contacted by phone twice concerning this matter. Little has happened.

An orange cone was placed over the hole on Arlington Ave. near Arlmont St. after the first call to the county. Some coiled wires were protruding from the hole, enough to catch a foot in, if not step in the hole itself. The cone disappeared. Then a second cone was placed, and it too disappeared. Presently the third cone is sitting about 15 feet away, having been moved alongside a nearby driveway. This light pole is 171 feet away from the nearest pole to the south, on the opposite side of the street, shrouded in tree branches, next to the library parking lot. It is 193 feet from the nearest nole to the north also on the opposite side of the street.

Approximately three months ago, the hole itself, near a church nursery school, was plastered/cemented over. What does this mean? Is the light pole never to be replaced? Or is this an extremely longterm deferred project?

The county makes the argument that this is an unusual pole. (Seems like an ordinary wooden pole to me, like all other light poles on the Arlington!) The wires

### Pet of the month



# **KENSINGTON**

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### Deadlines

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run inside the poles, so the poles are bored out. Doesn't the county keep a stockpile of

two or three poles in the event a car severs or damages one or more of them? I guess not. Poor planning. If a single pole has to be specifically

milled and bored to replace the missing one, so be it. What is the county waiting for? This is a safety issue. In the order of things, this should be a small matter, easily fixed. Concerned Kensingtonians should contact Supervisor Gioia's office for their safety.

### John J. Fleming

P.S. These poles are the responsibility of the county, not PG&E, Pacific Telephone, AT&T, or any other entity.

The Outlook contacted Supervisor Gioia's office to get an update on the missing pole. They informed us that they have heard several times from Mr. Fleming, and they in turn contacted the Public Works Department. The PWD told Supervisor Gioia that the pole in question is a discontinued model. It is center-bored to contain the undergrounded wires. These poles are no longer available, and they have depleted their stockpile. PG&E has replacement poles, but these do not meet current standards. The county is still trying to get replacement poles that meet the new standards but hasn't yet been successful. The PWD acknowledged that the pole has been missing for an extended period, and they say they are working diligently to find a suitable replacement. —Editor

Stanford is a handsome, smart young Dutch mix rabbit,

a little shy and very sweet. He is dressed in his cap and

local cafes or zipping around campus on a skateboard,

listening to his iPod. His playlist includes protest songs

from the '60s and early Beatles. Because of his eclectic

interests, Stanford would prefer to live with an adult

Oscar Wilde and Beatrix Potter. Visit him seven days

a week at RabbitEars, 303 Arlington Ave. 525-6155,

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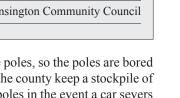
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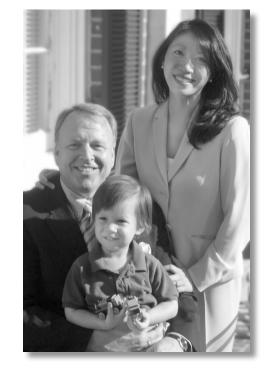
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# Lots on Los Altos

# Local group seeks recipients for vacant lots

Many local residents walking along Los Altos Drive have probably seen the For Sale signs on two adjacent empty lots and have wondered about living in this secluded area, with its magnificent vista of the Tilden Regional Park, Wildcat Canyon, and nearby hills. But these are no ordinary lots. They are in a significant slide area, and with just a little inspection it is possible to see that the edge of the road has already slipped downhill, and the lots show other signs of slippage.

The lots, totaling over 24,000 square feet, are owned by the Stone Living Trust, which has been trying to sell them for some time. The Stones previously lived nearby on Los Altos. So far, no one has been prepared to take on the problems associated with the property. The owners have now decided to try to donate the lots to either Tilden Regional Park or to Kensington Police Protection and Community Service District (KPPCSD), which is tasked with managing Kensington Park. Up to now, East Bay Regional Park District has not shown interest in acquiring the land. A local group, the Los Altos Neighborhood Group (LANG), made a presentation to the KPPCSD about the possibility of the community acquiring these lots. The group's presentation stated that the entire

community would benefit by keeping the lots undeveloped, as that would retain several magnificent vistas over the undeveloped region. The group claimed that between 40 and 120 walkers traverse the road each day, often accompanied by dogs. LANG said that the donation of the lots would add a valuable asset to the community, and the group would accept responsibility for maintenance for fire suppression and monitoring of the trees. If the park district and KPPCSD turn down the donations, the group will actively seek other charitable organizations that might be interested in acquiring the land. LANG also said that if there was no public or charitable body willing to take on the land, they were prepared to purchase the land themselves to prevent anyone from building a large house there.

The development of the land would include securing the slide before building could commence. The cost of that alone has been estimated to be approximately \$1 million. Consequently any house built on the land would become very expensive, and presumably large. Local homeowners are worried that someone may eventually think it worthwhile to develop the lots.

The cost of maintaining the road. Los Altos Drive, is the responsibility of Contra Costa County. Approximately 10 years ago, the county spent \$2.5 million rebuilding the road in the area and placing large concrete retaining supports into the ground.

KPPCSD members listened to the presentation and took it under advisement but made no decision on the matter.

# **New head for Prospect Sierra**

Katherine Dinh selected from group of exceptional candidates

Katherine Dinh with husband and son.

Prospect Sierra School appointed Katherine Dinh as its new head of school, beginning July 1. The school's board conducted an extensive search, and Dinh was the top pick from what a board member said was a group of exceptional

"At Prospect Sierra, I observed dedicated, intelligent, and thoughtful people working together to create a

purposeful educational community," said Dinh, "The commitment to provide an excellent education and to work closely with families to inculcate the values of compassion, integrity, and a desire to serve has special resonance for me. Prospect Sierra is a perfect fit for me, and I am thrilled to be joining the community as head of school.

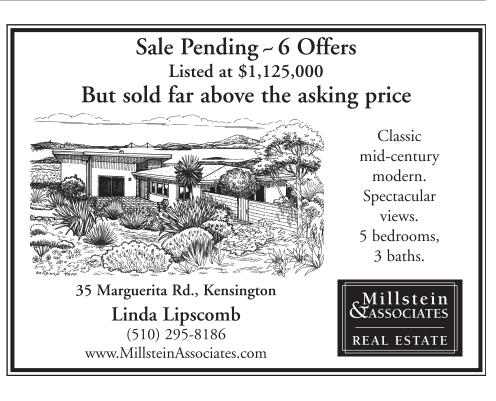
Betsy Bigelow-Teller, Prospect Sierra parent and board member, commented, "Among our highly qualified and capable semifinalists and finalists, Katherine's embrace of our school's mission and philosophy was particularly compelling. Her warmth, talents, experience, and demonstrated leadership are an excellent fit with our school's culture and strategic plan

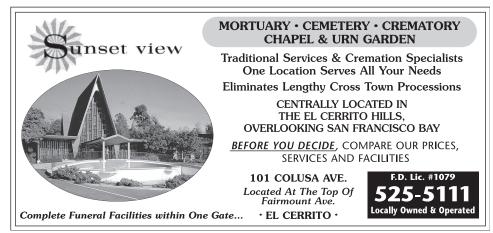
Dinh graduated from the University of Virginia and completed her graduate work in education at Harvard. She served as head of Upper School at Wilmington Friends School; was founder of the New Orleans Academy of Houston, which served prekindergarten through 8thgrade students displaced by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and was Middle and Upper School Principal at Metairie Park Country Day School.

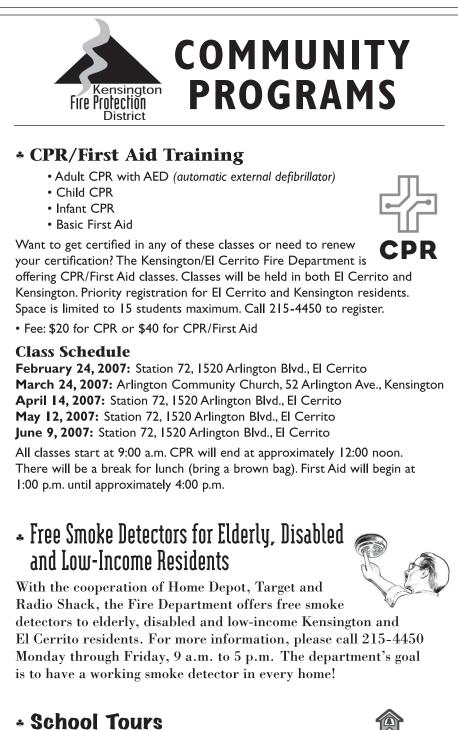
Dinh is married to Woody Price, who will soon become head of the Branson School in Ross. They have a son, Henry, who is three.

Dinh will follow Buzz Heinrich's remarkable 17 years of leadership of the school.

Prospect Sierra is an independent school with 475 enrolled students in grades K-8. The school attracts students from much of the East Bay and as far north as Napa. It has two campuses in El Cerrito, on Avis Drive and Tapscott Avenue.





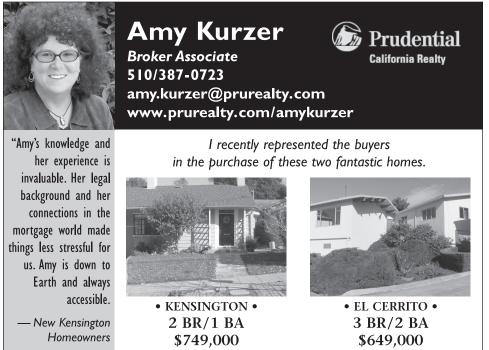


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offers age-appropriate information, tours and demonstrations to all local Kensington schools. Please call 215-4450 to make an appointment with the Kensington fire crew. Several days notice necessary.





# **Come help at the library**

ONTRA C O S T A СОИМТҮ LIBRARY

The Friends of the Kensington Library do so much for our community. Through their fund-raising efforts and book sales, they contribute roughly half of the money for buying the books and other materials for the Kensington Library. The Friends also give all the money required to put on special children's programs-storytellers, magicians, and other activities. These programs are well attended by babies, children, and adults, and they could be just a little better with a bit more help from the public.

The Friends and the community are asking for your help, because it takes more than just money to put on these very popular performances. Volunteers are necessary to help set up before and put away after events such as the children's story time, and to assist during the programs. If you have only a couple of hours to spare, even if it's only a few times a year, the Friends would love to hear from you. High school students are particularly encouraged to respond; many students are required to do a certain number of community service hours, and this is certainly a worthy cause. You don't have to become a member of FKL to assist with their work, but becoming a member involves only the commitment you wish to make. Please call Barbara Nelson, volunteer coordinator, at 524-4566, to discuss volunteering opportunities.

On May 12-13, FKL will be holding their spring book sale. If you would like to contribute books, these can be left at the library. The sale will include a silent auction of rare books, and the event will culminate in a final one-hour bag sale. Look for a flyer in your mail toward the end of April.

# **Free WiFi at the library** Wireless access open to all 24/7

# Kensington has only one public wireless hotspot, where people can connect to the computer,

and that is at the library. Unfortunately, the library is not always open when people want to use the Internet.

so some folks sit outside. Some days there are people sitting on the porch in front of the library doors, but as the weather get warmer, or if they need to recharge their computer batteries, sometimes they plug into the power outside. When the library is open, there are several library computers



Online forum started to present K-8 views and documents

Many Kensington residents, as well as others in the West Contra Costa School District, have long campaigned for K-8 schools. Last year the issue came up before the school board. Proponents of the cause presented a study done at the University of California, Berkeley, which highlighted many of the advantages that would be gained by adopting this change. Many schools and parents were represented at a packed school board meeting, nearly all presenting positive opinions about a K-8 change. The motion to adopt the policy district-wide was defeated 3 to 2. However, this has not satisfied many parents of young children, who have often felt that their voices were not adequately heard, and who feel that the issue is now more urgent than ever, with the imminent closure of Portola Middle School.





wcck8.org, where people can express their opinions and catch up on the latest news relating to the issue. The website was started by Kensington resident Aaron Gobler, of PagePoint Web Solutions, and includes areas for news, discussion by visitors, a library for documents on the subject, and links. The library section provides access to many documents, including a 2006 WCCUSD Facilities Study written by Jack Schreder and Associates, the UC Berkeley study, and more. The site is not solely for proponents of K-8 but for all opinions on this important matter. It is also intended to be read by school board members, so that they can more accurately assess the feelings of their district. If you have news of meetings or other issues, they can be submitted to the site moderator: moderator@wcck8. org. It is also possible for site visitors to post comments on items. To stop spam and off-topic comments, submissions are reviewed before posting.

Now there is an online forum, www.

# Tennis

3:40-5:20 p.m. class; non-resident \$11/class Courts

When: Tuesdays. and/or Thursdays Fees: (payable monthly): residents \$10/ Where: At the Kensington Tennis

# **Gymnastics**

**Tennis court fees:** 





### YOUTH CLASSES

Instructor: Alex Brown (524-5495) In this class for students in grades 6, 7, and 8, Alex Brown teaches the fundamentals of tennis, including strokes, tactics, and

sportsmanship. Classes consist of instruction, drills, and play, and continue through the school year. Students must register by the month for one or two days a week.



Instructors: Jean Jay and Judy Baker. Students should wear leotards or loose clothing such as sweatpants or shorts. Long hair must be tied in a ponytail. To enroll, call Judy Baker at 233-1833.

When: Tuesdays, 11 weeks Morning Kindergartners: 11:45 a.m.-1:05 p.m. Advanced Beginners Grades 1–3: 2:30 p.m.-3:20 p.m. Advanced Beginners Grades 4-6:

2:50 p.m.-3:40 p.m. Where: At the Community Center

### ADULT CLASSES

### Tennis

Alex Brown, USPTA tennis pro, offers classes to a minimum of four students.

To register, call Brown at 524-5495. When: Tuesday and Thursday, 9–10 a.m. Fees: 5 classes: \$40 per resident/

\$45 per non-resident Where: At the Tennis Courts (West court)

### **Yoga for Health**

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To register call 525-0292.

When: Tuesday 9:15-10:15 a.m. Fees: Residents \$12 for drop-in, \$50/5 for 5 classes Nonresidents please add 10%

(\$13.20/class; \$55 for 5 classes) Where: At the Community Center

Hatha Yoga

Enjoy a hatha yoga practice to calm, restore, and revitalize you each Monday and Thursday. Classic yoga postures and quiet attention to the nuance of movement help create a satisfying personal practice.

This class draws on the instructor's knowledge of dynamic yoga styles (such as Ashtanga and vinyasa) and subtly challenging yoga styles (like Iyengar, Integral, and yin yoga) to help students find their own perfect balance. Yoga postures, breathing techniques, and philosophy are covered. All levels of experience

welcome. Instructor Claire Lavery has been practicing and teaching yoga since 1988. She focuses on breathing, alignment, and adjustment to help students enjoy the journey.

To speak with Claire, call 681-3077.

To register, call the KCC office at 525-0292.

When: Monday, 6:15-7:15 p.m.

Thursday, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fees: Residents-\$12 for drop-in. One-month pass (4 classes) for \$40. Nonresidents-please add 10% (\$13.20 per class–\$44 for one month pass)

Where: At the Recreation Building, Room A (Building E).

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE\*

### 2007 KCC SUMMER DAY CAMP

**REGISTRATION** is continuing for our summer camp. Please come by the KCC office or visit www.aboutkensington.com for more information. KCC summer camp runs June 18 through August 24, 2007, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Campers may enroll on a weekly basis. To ensure the best experience for each child, our camp has a maximum of 62 children per week.

### EACH WEEK CAMPERS WILL ENJOY:

• Field trips by private bus to points of interest around the Bay Area such as Scandia, Water World, the Exploratorium and the Jungle (There will be no field trip Week 3 due to the short week of July 4)\* • Special activities such as carpentry, gymnastics, dance, drama, and golf\* Hiking, games, arts and crafts, and lots of fun!\*

Tennis with Alex Brown, three days a week\*

**COST** for the Summer Day Camp is \$200 per week (with the exception of the 4th of July week at \$150). This covers all transportation costs, snacks, entrance fees, activities, and a KCC Summer Camp T-shirt for field trips. A limited number of partial scholarships will be available.

**WEEK 1**: June 18–22 Carpentry with Sandy Thacker June 20 The Jungle Carpentry with Sandy Thacker June 27 Lake Temescal **WEEK 2**: June 25–29 Drama with Kelly Donahue No field trip due to 4th of July **WEEK 3**: July 2-6 **WEEK 4**: July 9–13 Gymnastics with Judy Baker July 11 The Exploratorium Gymnastics with Judy Baker July 18 Pier 39/Alcatraz **WEEK 5**: July 16–20 **WEEK 6**: July 23–27 Golf with Alex Brown July 25 Lake Temescal WEEK 7: July 30–Aug. 3 Golf with Alex Brown Aug 1 Scandia WEEK 8: Aug. 6–10 Hip Hop with Jackie, Jenna, and Hillary Aug 8 Waterworld **WEEK 9:** Aug. 13–17 Sports & Games with Kim Roots Aug 15 Chabot Space and Science Center WEEK 10: Aug. 20–24 Sports & Games with Kim Roots Aug 22 The Jungle

### PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE CLASSES AT THE KCC OFFICE, 59 ARLINGTON AVENUE, KENSINGTON, 525-0292

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Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Esther Hill, Administrator, 525-0292 Office hours: Esther Hill, *Director* (525-0292), 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Please call the office unless otherwise specified. Some classes have enroll-To register for class: ment limits; those registering will be notified if they cannot be enrolled. Tennis court reservations: Reservations are for weekends and holidays only; the earliest is 9 a.m. Call Esther Hill (525-0292) for tennis court reservation information. Kensington residents—\$2/45-minute reservation (singles); Non-residents-\$5. our after school classes. Community Center rental: For information on renting the Community Center, call Helen Horowitz at the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District, 526-4141.

**KASEP** KENSINGTON AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Elma Conley, On-Site Supervisor (525-0292) during class hours Sandy Thacker, *Curriculum Coordinator* (482-1258)

Sessions: The spring session runs Monday, March 26 through Friday, June 8. Please visit www.aboutkensington.com for more information about

The office will be closed during spring break, April 9–13.

59 Arlington Avenue, Building E (across the grassy field above the tennis courts in Kensington Park) • Kensington, CA 94707-1037 • kccrec@yahoo.com



### **Acrylic Painting**

Stan Cohen leads this informal but professional workshop for established and serious beginning artists. Mornings are devoted to developing painting, with assistance available. Afternoons are reserved for class critique. Enrollment is limited. Instructor approval required. Instructor: Stan Cohen (533-3003) When: Wednesdays, 9:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Fees**: \$32/month (\$36 for nonresidents) Where: At the Community Center

Consider this workshop for a Mother's Day gift to you and your daughter:



Want to share time with your daughter in a unique way? Mothers and daughters will meet in a supportive setting to explore and write about fun, imaginative subjects. We will share our writing afterwards over tea and cookies. Suggested minimum age is 9 years for girls who have an interest in writing. For more information please call Martha Black at 527-1347. Martha teaches Creative Writing for the Kensington After School Enrichment Program. To register, please call the KCC office at 525-0292. For 6-8 participants.

When: Sunday, May 20, 4-5:30 p.m. Fees: Residents—\$25 for mother and daughter. Nonresidents-\$27.50

for mother and daughter

### Where: Kensington Recreation Building

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE\*

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for a deluge of store-bought rabbits that are no longer wanted. They have several rabbits currently available for adoption.

RabbitEars is a volunteer rescue, adoption, and educational group that rescues last-chance small animals from

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time, while exploring their creativity.

Daughters can be as young as 9 or as old as

60 or more. You can write together or

separately and then share with each other and the group. For more information on the

workshop, call Martha Black at 527-1347.

Sign up early, as there will probably be no

more eight participants. The event will be

held at Building E on Sunday, May 20, 4-

5:30 p.m. To register, call KCC (525-0292).

Kensington flowers fading

Sadly, the Kensington Flower and Gift Shop

will soon be closing. Owner Denise Felts

says that local people are not purchasing

in Kensington anymore. The large chain

stores are taking much of her business. The

store will close on the last day of April, and

until that time it will be selling its inventory

at reduced rates. Felts recently donated

a huge bouquet of flowers in a silver and

glass vase to the KCC Spring Celebration.

Home Depot once again donated \$1,000

worth of materials to the Kensington and El

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Nonky, as she was known by her many friends, passed peacefully at home on March 21, surrounded by her family. Nonky and her husband, Hans, were married in Holland in 1942, during the German occupation of their country. They emigrated to America in 1950. Nonky and Hans moved to Kensington in 1964. Two of their three children, as well as four grandchildren, attended Kensington schools. After Hans died in 1987, Nonky continued her public service work with several Dutch benevolent organizations. She worked at every election for 20 years. She was an avid tennis player, a yard teacher, and she worked long hours on the annual Christmas parties for children in the community. Nonky is survived by her three children, Marc, Marcelle, and



him very much.



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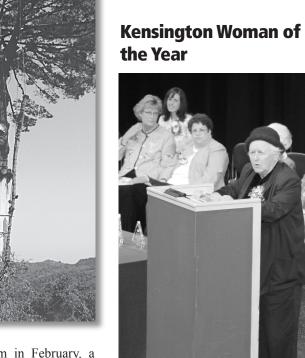


Another electronic waste recycling day will be held on April 28 in the Library and Arlington Community Church parking lot. At the last electronic recycling event, many people voiced objections that their appliances were not respectfully tested and boxed for delivery to a new home. Recycled items are packed into large boxes and sent for mass recycling somewhere in the U.S. (They are not dumped in other countries.) So even if your old printer is in working order, don't expect special care for it. You may bring televisions, monitors, computers, fax machines, printers, copiers, MP3 players, VCRs, DVD players, cell phones, telephone-related equipment, computer components, and toner cartridges for recycling. Items that are not accepted include batteries, lightbulbs, microwaves, or other household appliances. The whole parking lot will be in use for the recycling event, so please don't try to park there on that day.

### Lightning hits a lone **Monterey pine**



During an intense storm in February, a lightning strike hit a large Monterey pine in the back garden of a house on Lake Drive. The resident, Michael Chamberlain, was sitting in his living room, which overlooks Tilden Park and the tree in question, when the lightning struck. The tree immediately caught on fire, and the fire department was called. Engine #72 from El Cerrito soon arrived on the scene, and found the tree engulfed in 5-to-10-foot flames, despite the heavy rain. They quickly sprayed the tree with fire-retardant foam and water, remaining on-site for about an hour, until they were sure the fire was fully extinguished. Firefighters ascertained that the tree was not a danger to the house but advised Chamberlain that more branches could fall onto the path in Tilden Park that runs below his garden. The Chamberlains decided to have the tree removed. The fire department estimated that the tree was about 40 years old, which is about the average life span for Monterey pines, which have been known to live for 60 years.



KPPCSD Director Joan Gallegos addressing audience at Contra Costa College during the awards ceremony.

March was Women's History Month, and Contra Costa College once again asked the western City Council mayors and Contra Costa supervisors to select a woman who had made a significant contribution to her community to receive a Woman of the Year award. Joan Gallegos, the honoree for Kensington, was selected by Supervisor John Gioia for Neighborhood Improvement. The ceremony took place at the Knox Center for the Performing Arts at the college last month. Gallegos is an elected member of KPPCSD and is involved in many community and statewide organizations.

### **Spring Carnival** *Continued from page 1*

designed and made by Sarah Ray of Strada Design Group, the mother of a second-grader at Hilltop. "As a landscape designer, I find it natural to transform geometric forms into a quilt design. The quilt uses shapes and images from my work and from nature," said Ray. The twin-size quilt, which bursts with dazzling colors and patterns, would

be great in a kid's room or as a whimsical wall hanging. Last year's event, including the quilt raffle, raised about \$15,000.

As in previous years, you can buy raffle tickets from Amy Kurzer at 524-6314 or from students, who get prizes for selling tickets. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for a book of 12.

### **OBITUARIES**

### Alagonda "Nonky" Dronkers

Nina, grandchildren Michael, Peter, Marisa, and Christopher, and a three-month-old greatgranddaughter, Sasha. Donations can be made in Nonky's name to the Kaiser Hospice Program, 280 W. McArthur Blvd., Oakland, CA 94611. A memorial service will be held.

### Heath I. Hermans, the guardian of Grizzly Peak

Submitted by Cindy Kimball

We were all privileged to have Heath as our neighbor up on Grizzly Peak. He was so caring and vigilant. Heath described the room where he spent most of his time as the "control room." He served all of us by "monitoring" our neighborhood from this room, which has huge windows facing out into our community. His watchful eve will be missed by us all.

Hermans was born in Rhinebeck, New York, on March 23, 1913. He served in the United States Navy during World War II, stationed in both the Pacific and

European theaters. After military service, Heath worked for and retired from Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. Mary, his wife, was an active member of the Kensington Property Owners Association for many years. Mary passed away in 1987.

Hermans was a resident of Kensington for over 40 years and died on February 18 this year. He was an avid gardener, a very giving community member, a good friend, and the guardian angel of the Kensington part of Grizzly Peak. We in the neighborhood will miss

### Martin Trow, leading scholar in higher education



Martin Aaron Trow was born in Brooklyn, New York, on June 21, 1926, and died in Kensington in February, at the age of 80, seven months after his inoperable brain tumor was diagnosed. He was a professor of Sociology of Education and later of Public Policy, and until his death was a professor emeritus at UC Berkeley. At a celebration for his 80th birthday, he told friends that he was thinking about retiring. He leaves behind a significant contribution to the field of education.

The author of many books and articles, Trow became famous for being one of the first to identify the changes in higher education as it moved from serving the elite to becoming more generally available.

Trow was a board member of the Kensington Improvement Club from 1994 until his death. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Katherine Trow, who edited the book Kensington, Past and Present for KIC. He leaves two sons, Paul Trow of Natick, Mass., and Peter Trow of Santa Barbara, a daughter, Sarah Eydam, of Antioch, and a grandson, Daniel Trow, of Franklin, Tenn.

Debbie Hamati, a friend and neighbor of the Trows, said, "Martin was a gracious, informed, and eloquent participant in the community discussions regarding disaster preparedness and utility undergrounding, as well as other topics of importance to Kensington. For years, Martin has been a familiar figure taking his evening walks around the neighborhood and will be greatly missed."



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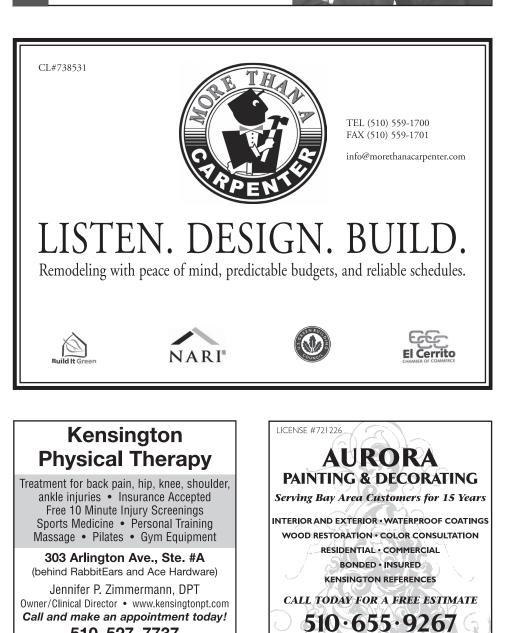
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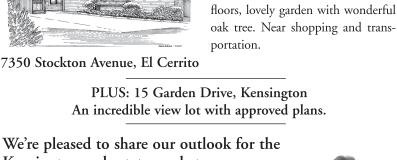
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**Communion and Simple Meal on Maundy** 7 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

What is your Story? Rev. Cathleen Cox Burneo. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley. 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302.

### Friday April 6

Meditation on Good Friday—Sanctuary open 3-5 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

Tenebrae Service and Rutter's Requiem Concert on Good Friday. 7 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

Biblical Drama Troupe. See April 1.

### Sunday April 8

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service by the Community Center, 6 a.m. Sponsored by Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.



Jesus and the Way of Non-

Violence, Cathleen Cox Burneo,

9:30–10:30 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302.

Easter Festival Service. 10 a.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

Farmers' Market. Fresh, cage-free chicken eggs for dyeing, special Easter breads, cakes and pies, spring veggies, flowers and chocolates! 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 303 Arlington Ave. 525-7232.

Meet the Bunnies. Adopt a bunny this Easter, and learn about bunny care, habitat, toys, feeding and personalities. 2-4 p.m. RabbitEars, 303 Arlington Ave. 525-6155.

### Biblical Drama Troupe. See April 1.

### Monday April 9

Family Story Time. Stories about frogs and turtles, songs, bounces, games and finger-plays. 7 p.m. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

Hatha Yoga. See April 2.

Beginning Computer Classes. See April 2.

### **Tuesday April 10**

Yoga for Health. See April 3. Family Story Time. See April 3.

### Wednesday April 11

KFPD meeting (Kensington Fire Protection District). 7:30 p.m. Community Center 59 Arlington Ave. 527-8395.

### Thursday April 12

El Cerrito Garden Club. Four Seasons with Natural Plants. George McRae of the Native Plant Society. 9:30–Noon. \$3. 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito.

Lapsit Storytimes. 10:15 and 11 a.m. For babies and toddlers and their caregivers. Lasts about 20 minutes, includes stories, songs, bounces, games and finger-plays. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave.

The Sun Quartet. Classical music ensemble. Ian Swensen and Anna Presler, violin; Anna Kruger, viola; Andrew Luchansky, cello. 8 p.m. \$15. The Hillside Club, 2286 Cedar St., Berkeley.

Storytime for Babies & Toddlers. See April 5. Women's Potluck and Fellowship. 6:30 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302. Hatha Yoga. See April 5.

Ira Levin (aka "Uncle Eye") presents his lively interactive show of music stories and humor! For children of all ages and their families. 11 a.m. A National Library Week program sponsored by the Friends of the El Cerrito Library. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

The Temperature's Rising! Solutions to the Global Warming Crisis. A town hall meeting. Assemblywoman Lonnie Hancock. 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Berkeley City College Aud., 2050 Center St. (between Shattuck & Milvia Sts.) 559-1406.



Family Story Time. Hat stories, songs, bounces, games and finger-plays. 7 p.m. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512. Hatha Yoga. See April 2

Berkeley Garden Club. Howard Arendtson, owner of H. Julien Designs, and annual Spring Tea. 1 p.m. Epworth Methodist Church, 1953 Hopkins St., Berkeley. 845-4482.

Details—526-9146 Family Story Time. See April 3. Yoga for Health. See April 3.

Youth Dance-Theater for Peace. See April 5.

Cedar St., Berkeley.

the Foundation for Wellness Professionals, will discuss natural ways to reduce the effects of stress and converting energy into increased health and vitality. 7 p.m. Free. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.



Berkeley Saxophone Quartet. 8 p.m. \$20 Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley

### Thursday April 5

Storytime for Babies & Toddlers. Stories, songs, and action rhymes for young children and their parents or caregivers. 10:30 a.m. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 524-3043.

League of Women Voters, Kensington Unit. Discussion on paths and local issues. 1:15 p.m. 44 Beverly Rd. 524-6071.

Hatha Yoga. 5:30–6:30 p.m. \$12, Community Center, 59 Arlington Ave. 525-0292.

Youth Dance-Theater for Peace. Acting, Dancing, and Voice Training for Ages 8-14. 5:30–7 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

> El Sobrante Library Book Group, The Remainders, discuss Never Let Me Go, by Kazuo Ishiguro. 7 p.m. El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way. 374-3991.

# **CALENDAR**

KPPCSD meeting (Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District). 7:30 p.m. Community Center, 59 Arlington Ave. 526-414.

Circle Dance and Ballroom Dancing. Learn how to dance. 7:30–9 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

Sparks for Growth. Revs. Chris Craethnenn, Bill and Barbara Hamilton-Holway and others. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley,

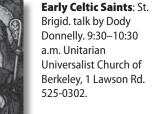
Youth Dance-Theater for Peace. See April 5.

### Friday April 13

**Backboard Pickers** performing Bluegrass Music, Mini Concert on Friday, 8 p.m. \$15.00 for adults, children \$5. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

### Saturday April 14

### Sunday April 15



Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd.

### Monday April 16

Beginning Computer Classes. See April 2.

### **Tuesday April 17**

Marie Cartusciello, Master Storyteller 6:30 p.m. Age 3 and up. Sponsored by Friends of the Kensington Library. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 524-3043.

Sign up for August Peace Child Theater Camp.

### Thursday April 19

The Radiant Center: Spiritual Practices for Modern Life. Rev. Barbara Hamilton-Holway. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302.

Hatha Yoga. See April 5.

Lapsit storytimes. See April 12.

Circle Dance and Ballroom Dancing. See April 12.

### Friday April 20

PickPocket Ensemble. Cross-cultural music. 8 p.m. \$15/\$10 seniors. The Hillside Club, 2286

### Saturday April 21

Beginning Internet Classes. How to Search the Web, 10–11 a.m. Free. Sign up in advance at the Library's Information Desk or call. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

San Francisco Chamber Orchestra. The Devil Made Me Do It! By Stravinsky. The Soldier's Tale. Benjamin Simon, Joel ben Izzy, The Mark Foehringer Dance Project. 8 p.m. Free. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Berkeley. 415-248-1640.

### Sunday April 22

Farmers' Market Earth Day Celebration, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 303 Arlington Ave. 525-7232.

Personal Theology: Three Early Celtic Saints: St. Patrick. Dody Donnelly. 9:30–10:30 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302.

### Monday April 23

Kensington Library Book Club. Main Street, by Sinclair Lewis. 7 p.m. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 524-3043.

Family Story Time. Bird stories, songs, bounces, games, and finger-plays. 7 p.m. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

Hatha Yoga. See April 2.

Beginning Computer Classes. See April 2.

### **Tuesday April 24**

KMAC meeting (Kensington Municipal Advisory Council). 7 p.m. Community Center, 59 Arlington Ave. 273-9926

Family Story Time. See April 3. Yoga for Health. See April 3.

### Wednesday April 25

Kensington Area Republican Women's Club. Pat Everette presents stories about World War II veterans. Noon. \$15 includes lunch. Mira Vista Country Club, 7901 Cutting Blvd. Reservations by April 20, 524-5689.

### Thursday April 26

Natural Approaches to the Treatment and Prevention of Low Back Pain. Dr. Jay Sordean. 7–8 p.m. El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way. 374-3991.

Unitarian Universalist Roots and Branches. Rev. Bill Hamilton-Holway. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302

Lapsit storytimes. See April 12.

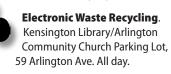
### Youth Dance-Theater for Peace. See April 5. Circle Dance and Ballroom Dancing. See April 12.

### Friday April 27

Bridge Play and Potluck. 6:30 p.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146.

### Saturday April 28

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**Daily Life as a Source of Spiritual** ation. Melanie Clark. 9 a.m.–3 p.n Donation: \$35. Registration (925) 283-7157 Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd.

Beginning Internet Classes. All About Email. 10–11 a.m. Free. Sign up in advance at the Library's Information Desk or call. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

Kensington Symphony featuring Smetana's Ma Vlast. 8 p.m. Donation: \$15; Seniors, \$12; Children free. Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury Ave., El Cerrito. 524-9912.

### Sunday April 29

Personal Theology: Three Early Celtic Saints: St. Columban. Talk by Dody Donnelly. 9:30–10:30 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Rd. 525-0302.

### Monday April 30

Family Story Time. Stories about friends, songs, bounces, games and finger-plays. 7 p.m. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. 526-7512.

Hatha Yoga. See April 2. Beginning Computer Classes. See April 2.







# From the case files of the KPD

This report is based on the many reports in the police logs of the Kensington Police Department. The Outloook is solely responsible for the writing and editing of this report.

### **Events in February**

• A man wearing white coveralls entered the bathroom at the library. Once inside, he was heard to say, "I'm going to kill you, old man." This was sufficient for the library staff to call the police. When questioned about the phrase, he said he had a bad habit of talking aloud to himself. The police judged him harmless and sent him on his way.

• Someone walking in the road on Arlington Ave. was nearly hit by a car driven by a neighbor. The walker thought the driver was trying to scare him, but did not know why.

• Someone reported a strange person using a weed whacker in the park. It was a park gardener doing his job.

• A person in the 800 block of Coventry Rd. was surprised to see a man at her back door, trying to open it. She called the police, but the man had fled.

• A home on the first block of Franciscan Way was robbed. The thief entered by an unlocked back door and made off with over \$12,000 worth of jewelry, a watch, and an iPod.

• A stolen car was abandoned on Ardmore Rd., and a locked Honda Accord was stolen during the night from a resident of Edgecroft Rd. It was later recovered in Richmond. Police suspect that the thief came to Kensington to "change cars."

• Parents living on Oak View Ave. had an altercation with their adult son, who evidently has a drug problem. The son had recently abandoned a drug rehabilitation program and was now threatening the parents. Police advised them to get a restraining order against their son.

■ A .22 rifle, a bb rifle, and a pellet gun were handed in to police by a resident of Ardmore Rd. A resident of Columbia Ave. donated a .22 rifle, an old Japanese bolt-action rifle, a 12-gauge shotgun, and a .22 Ruger pistol. If you would like to dispose of a gun, please bring it to the Kensington Police Department—unloaded.

• A doctor's office called about an elderly resident who had missed an appointment. Police had the person's key on file and were able to ascertain that the person in question was in the hospital at the time of the appointment.

• Someone on Kensington Ct. reported smelling smoke in their home. It turned out to be a rug that was too close to a heater.

• Police saw an Oldsmobile with a cracked windshield and stopped the car on Ocean View Ave. The driver had a suspended license, and the police were about to confiscate the car, when the passenger said she would drive it. The officer checked the passenger's license and discovered that she had an outstanding \$7,000 warrant from Marin for forgery and burglary. They were both detained, and the car was towed.

• A mother and an adult son, living at home, got into an altercation when the son refused to do his chores: taking out the garbage and feeding the cat. During the argument, the mother threw a glass of orange juice at the son, who retaliated with a glass of water. Then the mother ripped the shirt off his back, and he called the police for help.  Persons unknown used an oxyacetylene torch to remove two metal posts from the backyard fence of a house on Kingston Rd. The fence now bulges over a nearby creek.

• A vehicle with two couples in it was stopped for a code violation coming out of Canon

Dr. at 11 p.m. The car had an expired registration, and the driver had only a Mexican license. The car was impounded.

• Someone on Kingston Rd. reported a suspicious Saturn car that was filled with trash and a large sleeping dog. The owner was located and found to have a suspended license.

• A mother and 16-year-old daughter had an argument while the mother was driving. The daughter punched her mother in the arm. When they got home to Kenyon Ave., the mother ordered the daughter to cut off the offending arm and hand that had punched her. When the daughter did not comply with this selfmutilation, the mother threatened to do the job herself. The daughter, wisely, called the police.

• A woman locked herself out of her house, and the fire and police departments helped her gain access through an open second-story window, with the aid of a ladder. This is another incident that could have been more easily solved through the KPD Key Program—you leave your key with the police so they can get in to your home when an emergency arises.

• A person on Cambridge Ave. complained about a radio playing in an adjacent house, very close to the complainant's bedroom. The police found that the noise levels were not excessive. Neither home has insulation in the walls, and there is no specific noise law in Contra Costa County.

• A young woman living on Ardmore Rd. complained of annoying phone calls from an exboyfriend and his associate. She had known him for 18 months, dated him for 3 months, and split up with him over 6 months ago, yet he and his friend still call.

 Arlington Ave. residents reported losing their passports while on vacation in Maui. The KPD suggested reporting the loss to police in Hawaii, as they would have more chance of finding them.

• Someone reported a suspicious person outside their home in the 700 block of Coventry Rd. The resident confronted the man, who claimed to be looking for someone. The resident waited an hour before reporting the incident to the police, by which time the suspicious person had gone.

• A motorcycle was observed passing a car on the right and then failing to stop at the stop sign at Grizzly Peak Blvd. and Spruce St. The rider was stopped and found to have a suspended license. The bike was impounded.

• A person living on Kenyon was scared when she saw someone outside her window. She called the police, who found that the "intruder" was a neighbor checking on her welfare.

• Several people reported shouting at the lower end of Kingston Rd. Police discovered an altercation caused when a woman's exhusband's son and his girlfriend turned up at the home of a now-remarried woman, wanting a place to stay. When the request was refused, the young man got angry and started yelling loudly.

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• A manhole cover on the corner of Stratford Rd. and Beverley Park Blvd. floated away during the very heavy rains on February 10.

• Marijuana was found in a corridor of the police station, where individuals are questioned and booked.

• Someone on Windsor Ave., who liked his bacon extra-crispy, set off the fire alarm when crispy turned to burnt.

• Someone looking out a window on Rincon Rd. mistook the smoke from a neighbor's chimney for a burning tree and called the fire brigade. Police discovered the mistake, and turned around the two fire engines before they arrived.

• A person approaching her car was suddenly illuminated and startled by a spotlight from a parked police car. She has asked for an apology.

• Someone placed his backpack on the roof of his parked car while taking a call on his cell phone. While he was talking, a man got out of a passing car and attempted to steal the backpack. When spotted, the would-be robber made off at speed, in a Honda Civic.

• A garage on Yale Cir. was left open one night, and an old Eager Beaver chainsaw was stolen.

• Four teenagers were observed sitting in a parked car for an extended time. When police arrived, they discovered the kids watching a video in the car.

• Two large explosions were reported at 3:20 p.m. on Edgecroft Rd. The attending officer was unable to find a cause or anyone else who had heard the noise.

 Police were called in to settle an argument between a tree-trimming company and a resident of Highgate Rd. The resident wanted to pay \$1920, and the trimmers' bill was \$2000. They were told to find a solution or consult attorneys.

Kensington Police Department	
Emergency	911
Police dispatch	233-1214
Non Emergency office (daytime)	526-4141
Kensington Fire Department	
Emergency	911
Non Emergency office (daytime)	527 8369

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