

# Pinole Historical Society Newsbriefs



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## FIRST PHS PROGRAM VIA ZOOM THIS FRIDAY

**2012 PVHS GRADUATE DYANA SO TO SPEAK ABOUT  
HOW PINOLE SHAPED THE WOMAN SHE HAS BECOME.  
JOIN THE PRESENTATION ON ZOOM AT 6 P.M. FRIDAY, MAY 22**

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and we'll send you a Zoom link to  
Dyana's presentation next week.**

**D**yana So, a 2012 Pinole Valley High School graduate who will receive her master's degree in December from Erasmus University in Rotterdam, Netherlands, will be Zooming to us from her apartment in Rotterdam, and will talk about how growing up in Pinole shaped the woman she has become today.

After PVHS, Dyana earned a bachelor's degree in Visual Studies from the University of Pennsylvania in 2016, and stayed at Penn as an admissions officer for 2½ years. She also reviewed short films for the Philadelphia Asian American Film Festival.

She left Penn to continue her education in a joint-degree master's program in Business History and Global Markets, thanks to a full scholarship from the European Commission.

Since 2018 she's studied, worked and lived in Glasgow, Scotland; Barcelona, Spain; and now from her quarantine base in Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Please join us for this first-ever online program by the Pinole Historical Society as we seek ways to keep in touch with our members and fellow history buffs during the COVID-19 shelter-in-place. A second online program is being planned for June or July.



**Dyana So**

**FARIA HOUSE  
RENOVATION PLANS  
TO BE CONSIDERED BY  
PINOLE CITY COUNCIL  
AT JUNE 2 MEETING  
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ... PAGE 3**

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## PHS at Pinole Farmers' Market

The Pinole Historical Society has suspended its booth at the Pinole Farmers' Market until it is safe to be engaging with the public. This will be at least through the end of May, but likely longer.

We miss our market friends; we love to chat, and love hearing stories of people's lives growing up in Pinole. Let us know how you're doing Email [info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org)

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# President's Message

**Jeff Rubin, President, Pinole Historical Society**

## HISTORY IN PINOLE IS NOT SHELTERING-IN-PLACE

**O**n Tuesday, May 26, the Pinole City Council will conduct a public hearing on the budget for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1.

And on Tuesday, June 2, the Pinole City Council will be receiving a museum update from city staff, including a cost estimate to renovate the interior of the Faria House. The council, at this meeting, may consider including funding for the museum in next year's budget.

Both meetings will be conducted online via Zoom and will be televised by Pinole Community TV, Channel 26. They will begin around 6 p.m.

### **HISTORY CONTINUES:**

We are working on ways to expand our communications with our donors, members, and friends.

### **— MORE PROGRAMS:**

With no programs at Kaiser for the foreseeable future, we are working on programs to be delivered via Zoom.

We have two planned — in addition to Dyana So's program (front page), architect Mike Woldemar is preparing a presentation, "The Man Who Built Pinole." His was originally scheduled for May 1 at Kaiser.

**— PUZZLES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY:** We have created a couple of word-

search puzzles relating to Pinole's history; each will offer a prize for people who can figure out the puzzle's message from the leftover letters. One of the puzzles is on page 12 of this newsletter.

**— VIDEOS ON THE PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY YOUTUBE PAGE:** Museum board member Alec Jason is working on posting 12-15 of the best Pinole Historical Society quarterly programs over the last decade, including George Vincent's two Historic Downtown Pinole Walking Tours.

Search for Pinole Historical Society on YouTube and you'll find our videos. We'll be adding more soon.

Please visit the Pinole History Museum website — [www.pinolehistorymuseum.org](http://www.pinolehistorymuseum.org) — and learn about our mission, our goals, and our plans for exhibits and programs. We think you'll be as excited as we are about the museum.

**SAD NEWS:** Louis Millhollin passed away April 13. Mike LeFebvre's tribute to his longtime friend is on page 11.

### **MUSEUM DONATIONS:**

Please consider a gift to the museum — just click the donor button on the museum website ([www.pinolehistorymuseum.org](http://www.pinolehistorymuseum.org)) or mail a check

payable to **PINOLE HISTORY MUSEUM**. We will be very grateful, especially in this current environment.

Be well and stay safe. We hope to see you in person soon.



**Jeff Rubin**

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# Museum donor profile

## ROBERTA TIM QUAN

**W**hether organizing and directing the Ohlone Operettas for 11 years as a teacher at Ohlone Elementary School in Hercules, or raising thousands of dollars as a board member of the Hilltop Family YMCA, Roberta has always been resourceful ... and a giver.

Growing up on the farm her father managed in Fairfield during the latter part of the Great Depression, Roberta, now 86, remembers her childhood not as deprived, but creatively challenging.

"Toys were few and far between, as money was not to be wasted on such frivolous items," Roberta said in a 1990s history column, *Echos of Solano's Past*, written by Kristin Delaplaine Conti. "Thus, we were most ingenious with our creative endeavors with the resources available.

"A discarded metal can lid nailed to a stick was something to roll along the ground. Nail wheels on a box, add a handle, and you have a wagon. A handkerchief folded correctly and tied with a string produced an instant doll. Y-shaped branches and a piece of rubber made for hours of sling-shot entertainment."

It was on the farm, enriched by her parents' example, that she developed her spirit of giving.

"I feel that one needs to share and needs to give back," Roberta says. "We always shared on the farm; I was brought up that way. There are always those that are less fortunate. And, our neighbors shared with us.

"I'm very positive about things. I've got a soft heart, a soft heart when I see those less fortunate. You always want to do something for them. You do what you can for people."

After 25 years teaching, Roberta "retired" into another career as a board member and fundraiser for the Hilltop Family YMCA. She raised so much money that she was dubbed "Queen Quan" by her peers and honored by the YMCA.

Roberta has adopted the Pinole History Museum as her next fundraising challenge because she believes in the museum's mission and in the importance of preserving history.

"If you have artifacts, they tell the history of that particular period. If you don't save them in a museum, they're gone forever, and future generations won't know about them.

"When you lose a culture, or your history, who are



**Roberta Tim Quan (standing) doing what she does best – organizing people to raise money.**

you, what are your roots? The artifacts and stories enrich you and future generations. When people lose their history, they lose the essence of their culture, where their ancestors came from, and to some extent, their identity.

"Any establishment that attempts to maintain and further cultures I find worthy of support and perpetuation.

Roberta is a major donor to the museum and, as an advocate, has convinced others to donate.

"The Pinole History Museum will be dedicated to the education and pleasure of the public," she says. "Behind it will be an endless sea of faces – yours, mine, ours – that will give it life and distinction. We are a composite as varied and enduring as those who contribute artifacts, materials, and efforts.

"The aggregate of social and cultural exhibits and programs will reflect the unique community of Pinole and its environs. As a destination, those who visit will come away enriched with a better understanding of its rich history. Visitors, especially school children, will serve as ambassadors to broadcast the existence of this gem.

"I shall continue to give."





# PINOLE HISTORY MUSEUM

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# Life in the time of COVID

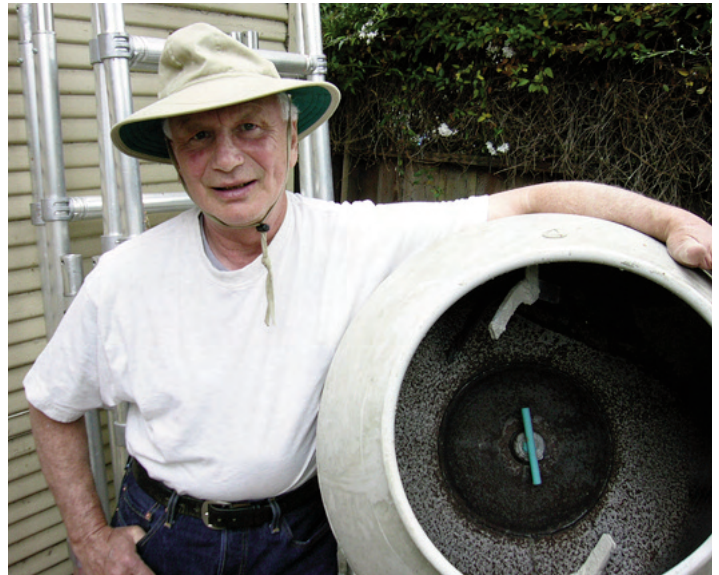
**We asked Pinole Historical Society members how they're coping during the Covid-19 pandemic. Here are six responses.**

## AVRAM GIMBEL, BERKELEY

**A**t 82, life has slowed anyway. Last year I sold my Pinole property on San Pablo Ave. In February, the long-time tenants moved out of the front house here on Byron Street in West Berkeley. For the time being I'm continuing to live in and fix up the smaller back house.

I moved the sawzalls and roto-hammers and pneumatic nail guns and the whole shebang of dusty grimy tools I used forty years ago as a young contractor to the yard, hosed them down, and lovingly dried them. I engaged an architectural and construction firm to revamp the street side of the front house. I began speaking with contractors regarding upgrading the kitchen and bathroom in the front house, and began educating myself on the newest counter-top materials and fixtures and appliances.

Things have changed, and I'm learning house rehabbing all over again. Meanwhile, I started repairs that I put off years ago on both the front and back houses. Just one hour a day and the days add up and things are getting done. The rest of the time I wrack my brain trying to remember how to hang a window shade and replace a wax toilet ring, which I learned from a YouTube video isn't made of wax anymore. Thank heavens for YouTube!



**Avram Gimbel**



**Linda Jane Kole**

## LINDA JANE KOLE, PINOLE

**O**ur first direct encounter with life being different in the time of covid was oddly positive. On our daily walks on the paths of Pinole and Hercules, many more people than usual were out enjoying the beautiful weather. Surprised and happy dogs were everywhere. They didn't know why they were taking their humans out for their fifth walk on a weekday, but it was great! The atmosphere was friendly and almost festive, except for the background buzz of likely illness and possible death. Perhaps we walkers were all counting our blessings and treasuring each day.

After a few days social distancing 6 feet was impossible on the walking paths. Cyclists zipping past with no masks left streams of floating felons in our faces. We retreated to our quieter neighborhood or walking laps inside to the beat of Oldies but Goodies on Pandora.

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# Life in the time of COVID

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Smart phones are both a blessing and a curse. The compulsion to check the number of covid cases and deaths seems to be borne out of the desire to find something that will help to fight back and control this looming, burgeoning disaster. We had to find active pursuits to pull Steve off the "smart" phone.

**First up:** How to make an effective mask. My sister, Karen, joined a group in Seattle sewing surgical masks for hospitals and clinics. When she ran out of some supplies neighbors on Nextdoor quickly responded. Thus far she has sewn over 300 masks. Steve and I spent a day with YouTube directions to make two masks. I had to resurrect my very rusty sewing skills and face the fact that there have been some definite changes in my vision. Steve continues to study what designs and materials are more effective. We have made four different styles. People need to feel they can DO SOMETHING.

**Next:** The cleaning response to danger. It turns out some cabinets, drawers, and closets have not been adequately edited, sorted, purged, organized, cataloged, and CLEANED for about 20 years. We are truly the children of families traumatized into packrats by the Great Depression. "If it can still be used, do not throw it away because you NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU MAY NEED IT."

Well, covid is feeling like YOU NEVER KNOW finally arrived. We used 30-year-old fabric scraps to sew our masks!

Disinfecting surfaces, doing laundry, and yardwork are all excellent, positive, necessary activities which allow us to forget that we have not written our will. We are making progress on our will. Discussions are not so philosophical now. We are more focused and practical, just not in writing yet.

**The Reaching Out Response:** Friends and family embers are calling more frequently and we're calling them. The unspoken rule of covid telephone etiquette seems to be that if either or both parties need an hour-long rambling, random chat, that is perfectly alright. We now have time. These talks are such a luxury. Folks are more direct about expressing their affection and appreciation and sharing memories. Email and texts are nice, but the comfort of a person's voice, laughter, and even tears help me feel connected, stronger.

**The escape response:** We can go to stories not our own on the magical screens. We keep our TV time for evening. Reading, and reading aloud to Steve, are feeling even more essential lately. A funny, happy book can be just the right Rx for fear and despair cycling round and round.

Oddly, I have read three nonfiction books in a row about resistance to the disease of Nazi occupation in WWII. My purpose was to examine how people build resilience and stamina in extraordinary circumstances. Our corner of the Bay Area has many people whose families came here to work in the war-time shipyards. Through innovation, endurance, and organization, they used human will and their ability to work together to win that war.

I never think of being out in nature as an escape. For

me it is a homecoming, running open armed to something. We are so lucky to have our beautiful hills with so many places to walk or sit and enjoy.

Have you noticed how much cleaner the air is? How you can see trees in the ridges on the other side of the Bay? How the roar of constant traffic is softer? There are things we can learn from this experience. We are capable of change.

**The REAL response:** I find it hard to believe this terrible pandemic is real. But it is. Our personal list is now 10 people who caught COVID-19; two died. I find myself putting vulnerable friends and family on a list of who I may soon have to lose. Included are myself and my wonderful Steve. The burden of that much sorrow is very heavy .

Included in the knowledge that this is REAL is an overwhelming feeling of thankfulness. I thank all the real essential workers our society takes for granted every day. I recognize the courage they must summon to do the work that supports us all.

When this scourge is over, I imagine a world where we honor their sacrifices and commitment with wages, health care, and working conditions that will help us rebuild stronger, smarter, and more compassionate.

Will we remember what we are learning?

## JIM OTT, CROCKETT

**M**y wife and I are among the lucky ones.

I am retired and not losing work, so it hasn't hurt us financially, thank God, and my wife's company has her working at home, so we haven't lost anything there, either.

But, I became very ill with a respiratory virus and had shortness of breath because my lungs had so much fluid, which lasted 45 days. But, I am okay now.

We have locked down, are staying in the house, and are really enjoying our time together. I have found time to read five books and enjoy the evenings watching TV with my wife, and give love to our little dog, April.

All in all we have not suffered one bit, but feel so bad for all who have and still are. We have ordered takeout at Famiglia in Pinole and D's Burgers in Rodeo, and we have great neighbors who have shopped for us when needed. God has truly blessed our home!



**Jim Ott**

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# Life in the time of COVID

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## LAURELLE MARTIN, PINOLE

I arrived in Melbourne, Australia on March 1 this year, excited to spend a few weeks with my family in various parts of Australia. It was such an opportunity, as my daughter was working temporarily from home, so would be able to take care of my husband, who is disabled.

My sister from Melbourne and I did have a wonderful holiday staying on a beachfront in the Barrier Reef in Queensland, and saw other family there. We had lots of plans for the remaining weeks, but when we arrived back in Melbourne everything had changed because of the fear of the virus, including panic buying, closure of golf courses, theaters, and a fearful community.

It was fortunate that my daughter was able to get me a seat on the last, packed United flight from Melbourne to our West Coast, so I arrived back in the Bay Area March 23; shelter-in-place was in full swing.

How has this changed my life? One of the biggest challenges has been continuing medical care for my husband, but I have found the majority of issues were resolved with on-line consultations. In my Pinole community, so many activities have been cancelled: Pinole Community Service Day, a fundraiser planned for my Lions Club, and others.

Like most of my friends, I normally have a busy schedule, including playing tennis, exercise classes, book club, and community activities. It has certainly been an adjustment to follow the constraints of shelter-in-place.

I appreciate that it is spring, so I have been doing lots of gardening, weeding out surplus items in my home, using Zoom for some meetings, enjoying having my church services streamed, and walking my dogs.

## MIKE LEFEBVRE, PINOLE

Initially, being a retiree and receiving a veteran stipend, my life hasn't been dramatically affected financially. My benefits checks continue to roll in on the 1st of every month and, as a result, the monthly bills and any other financial obligations are taken care of.

Other than financially, with the extra time on my hands, I have increased my morning walks to more than five miles a day, which helps keep my blood sugar down to acceptable levels. I also have made a conscious effort to not watch television all day. I'm averaging one to two books a week, and even spent several days on a jigsaw puzzle.

I thought that I would miss baseball more than I do, but since there are no games (MLB, college, high school, or minor leagues), I've tried to treat this stoppage as an extended off-season.

There are a few things that I miss greatly:

1. Hanging out at the baseball card store (10th Inning) and getting into daily baseball discussions (arguments);

One morning I was at Trader Joe's at 7:30 a.m., wearing my mask and gloves, and chatted to others in line before taking advantage of the senior hour shopping at 8 a.m.

I am learning to enjoy waking up and not rushing for an agenda. I am taking time with my family at home and appreciating so many little pleasures in my life, like sitting outside reading, and walking my dogs. Like others, I notice a real abundance of wildlife around: wild turkeys, deer, hawks, etc., in my neighborhood.

While part of me will really be glad to socialize with my friends, visit family in Sacramento, pick up a tennis racquet again, or even go to meetings, I admit there has been a serenity and sense of relaxation that the shelter-in-place has brought to my life.



**Laurelle Martin**



**Mike LeFebvre**

2. Having lunch with friends while trading barbs and reminiscing about all our past adventures;
3. Going down to the bowling alley on Wednesday and Thursday nights to watch my sister and friends bowl;
4. Hanging out with my grandkids for the last time, as they will both be off to college when this pandemic is ultimately over.

Finally, there were several funerals of very close friends that were either cancelled, postponed, or held with immediate family only in attendance.

One last note: I totally realize that the vast majority of people are far worse off than I am, and that the inconveniences I have mentioned are just that — inconveniences. I do appreciate all of the efforts of the front-liners who risk their health every day, and I salute their sacrifices, as well as the people who have unwillingly

and in good conscience given up their livelihoods to help control this virus. I thank them as often as I can.

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# Life in the time of COVID

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## CHRIS WIMMER, PINOLE

**H**aving been born in the early '50s, I was brought up by parents who survived the Great Depression. I have lived in Pinole more than 65 years in Old Town, more than 40 years in the same residence I own today.

My profession is emergency management. The COVID-19 crisis is just another in a long list of events that I have personally, as well as professionally, managed.

Due to age and some health challenges, I began my shelter in place on March 9. I try not to venture out any more than necessary, and when I do, since the very beginning, it's been with face mask and gloves.

We have switched about 80% of our shopping to online exclusively. Then, when the packages are delivered, they are dropped into the garage, where (unless there are perishables) they sit for a minimum of 72 hours. As each item is eventually brought out of the bag using gloves, they are wiped down thoroughly.

## PVHS SENIOR WINS \$250 GEORGE R. VINCENT SCHOLARSHIP

**N**goc June Nguyen, who emigrated from Vietnam to Pinole with her family in 2015 with limited English skills and developed into National Honor Society student at Pinole Valley High School, is the 2020 winner of the Pinole Historical Society's George R. Vincent scholarship.

June, who will turn 18 on June 3, will attend the University of California at Berkeley in the fall. She was accepted at five other UC schools and two Cal-State universities. She will study business administration with possible career goals as a management consultant or banker.

June did not speak or barely understood English when she arrived in 2015.

"It was very hard for me to understand a lot of people and communicate with them," she says. "I didn't speak English well or listen to it well. My first year in high school wasn't very good, but when I entered my sophomore and junior years my friends who spoke fluently helped me process

my English. Class discussions also helped me, and I studied on my own at home."

Her hard work paid off. She's been a National Honor Society member for two years, serving as secretary and historian of the school chapter this year. She's also secretary of the PVHS Interact Club, a Pinole Rotary-sponsored service organization; co-founder of the PVHS Ceramic Club, which make pottery and sells it at the Pinole Farmers Market; and is an intern for "Earth Team," an environmental group.

She's also a volunteer at the Sojourner Truth Presbyterian Church food pantry in Richmond, and a teaching assistant at the Vietnamese Language School in St. Paul's Church, in San Pablo.

And, she's a server at Happy Sashimi.

Her academic achievements include high marks in AP history.

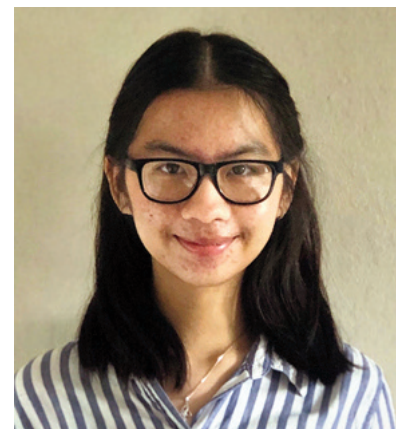
"I really like history, she says. "At first I was afraid it would be too hard because of the writing and reading required. But I became immersed in the subject.

I work for a pharmaceutical company where we research and make cancer medicine. One of our medications is in phase 3 trials for the treatment of the virus. The manufacturing group is running full out, and in some locations producing the drug at high rates that may, if found to be effective, be used to treat the virus.

More than 90% of the employees are working from home, and we are staying away from the facility, with the intent of keeping those making the medications free of potential exposure.

The company has elected to keep key contractors paid. The greatest challenge is juggling all of the on-line meetings so that the important work can be accomplished in differing ways.

Other than that, it's more gardening and small home projects taking up our time.



**Ngoc June Nguyen**

American history is pretty cool." After attending classes on the PVHS portable campus for three years, June had hoped to finish her high school career with a complete year at the new PVHS — and a graduation ceremony.

But, because of the COVID-19 stay-at-home orders, there will be no large graduation ceremony with her classmates.

"It's really sad," she says. "I believe also for all the students. I picked up my cap and gown on Wednesday and I almost cried. I saw my teachers and (principal) Kibby, and it was really emotional for me."

We hope some of the disappointment lessens when she begins class at Cal in the fall.



# In memoriam

**Louis Dale Millhollin**

**May 21, 1946 – April 13, 2020**

**Age 73**

**By Mike LeFebvre**

**O**n April 13, 2020, at the age of 73, another denizen of Fernandez Park's golden era left for greener pastures.

Born May 21, 1946, in Coalinga, CA, and blessed with his mother's flaming red tresses, Louis Dale Millhollin and his family moved to Pinole from the projects in South Richmond in 1954.

From the day he moved in Normandy Acres at age eight, Louie became a fixture at Fernandez Park. Since this was before the local inception of Little League, Pony League, PeeWees, or any formal recreation program, Louie had to be content with playing pick-up games and rooting for the local Babe Ruth team (ages 13-15).

However, standing around and rooting was not in Louie's nature. Before long, he had convinced Babe Ruth managers Ronnie Silva, and later Ed LeFebvre, that it would be in their best interests to take him on as a batboy. He attacked his duties with zeal and diligence, traits that were to become hallmarks for the rest of his life.

At an early age, he persuaded the skeptical *Richmond Independent* to give him the paper route in his new neigh-

borhood, ahead of older kids. He was given the route that covered Normandy Acres (the new housing tract on the other side of the tracks from Fernandez Park), as well as the newly built Greenbrae development.

He assaulted his route with vigor and intensity. When the newspapers arrived at the paper station (a garage across from the post office), he was always the first one there. Papers had to be folded in a unique triangular shape, which posed little problem for Louie. (I sometimes subbed for other carriers, James Bateman or Terry Chapman, and Louie always took the time to help me fold my papers to insure that I got my papers out in a timely manner. That's the way he was.)

Throughout his paper-delivery career he earned many awards and consistently led all carriers in selling subscriptions. He accomplished this by going out to backwoods towns like Concord and Walnut Creek and convincing them that they needed to know all of the news occurring in the county's biggest city, Richmond.

His family believed that his interaction with his customers on end-of-the-month collection day paved the way for his successful insurance

business. I, however, am of the opinion that he was a natural salesman.

For his efforts, the *Independent* was always sending him to Disneyland and other enticing places as a reward for collecting new subscriptions and exemplary service.

At Fernandez Park, he was a disciple of Teddy Roosevelt, walking softly and carrying a big stick, a 33-inch Mickey Mantle-model bat. He soon etched his name as one of the top two catchers in Fernandez Park history. (With Louie a year ahead of me and Kenny Burrow a year behind, and since I never had the opportunity to play on the same team as either of them, my budding career as a baserunner was thwarted from the outset.)

When he turned 13, Louie played two years on a very talented Babe Ruth team, before heading to Richmond High to catch for Coach Emery Phillips and help RUHS to an ACAL championship in 1964.

After high school, Louis ventured in the insurance business, and soon became a mainstay



**Louis Millhollin**

for Farmers Insurance. He was wildly successful, not only for his dynamic personality, but also for his willingness to work hard and his unquestioned honesty.

All this aside, over the last few weeks since his passing, I have taken some time to reflect on my relationship with Louie. These random thoughts are in no particular order:

1. He was a world-class racketball player; he played every night at Wallbangers Racketball court at Hilltop. He won tournaments all over California.

2. In a tackle football game at Fernandez, he hit me so hard that I did a complete flip, landing on my head sending me into the land of stars and little birdies circling, and then he helped me up, patted me on the back, and pushed me in the direction of my huddle. No finger pointing, no screaming, no sack dance. Just a wry smile. He was classy that way.

3. One of the greatest fights in the annals of the Old School was between him and Bobby Brister.

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# Wordsearch

## THE FOUNDING FAMILIES OF PINOLE

The words listed on the below list appear vertically, horizontally, diagonally, or backwards in the box. Circle the words you find and cross out those words in the list. The remaining letters, in order from left to right, will reveal the puzzle's message about the founding families of Pinole. Be the first person to email [info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org) with the correct answer and win one of the books on page 19.



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## Louis Millhollin

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It occurred right after school, heading down the hill. No one could relate the reason for the melee, but everyone agreed that

it was an epic display of street brawling. Personally, I believe that Louie got the best of Bobby, but after that they became fast friends and

everyone gave both of them a very wide berth — FOREVER.

4. And finally, most important, he always had the time of day for me. Things that were important to him — family, friends — old and new, and respect for everyone and intolerance of bullies. He was a great and loyal friend and I will surely miss him.

Louie was pre-deceased by his parents, Louis and Norma Millhollin and his beloved brother, Danny; and he is survived by his wife, Susan (his Richmond Union High School sweetheart); daughter, Kim; son, Dale; sister, Patsy

Ruth Tarabini; and brothers Jimmy and Richard, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, as well as lifelong friends, including former Richmond High battery-mate, Rich Floberg, along with former team and Old School classmates Bill Miller, Frank Coppa, Phil Emmanuel, Mike Jadryev, and Terry Chapman.

We are all better off for having known Louie, but we are all worse off for not having him around to pick us up, pat us on the back, push us in the direction of our huddle, and give us that wry, red-headed smile.

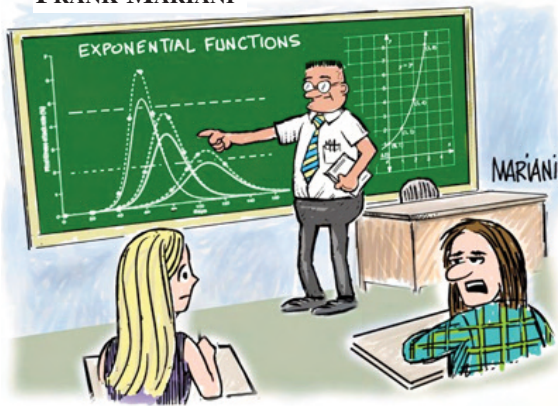


**Louis Millhollin, kneeling, second from right.**



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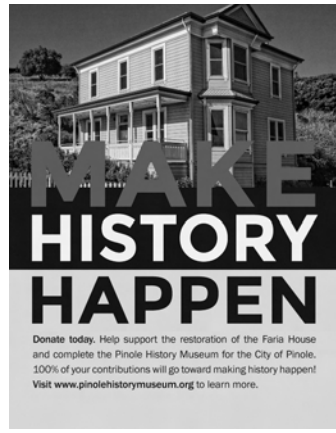
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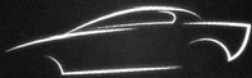
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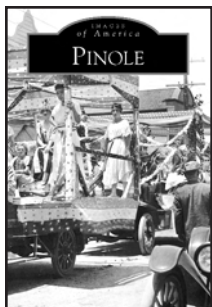


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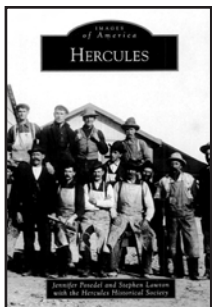
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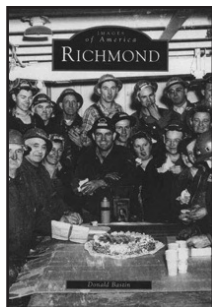




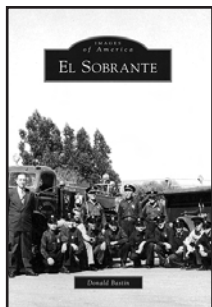
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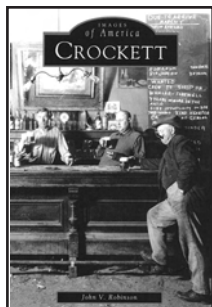
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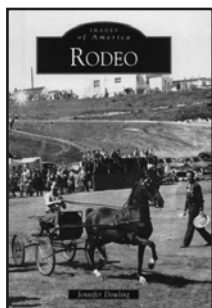
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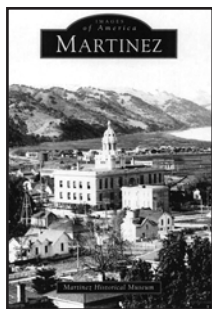
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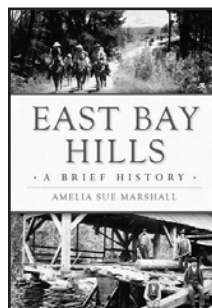
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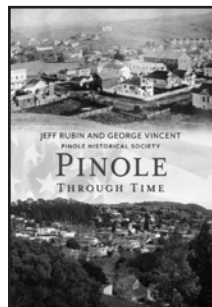
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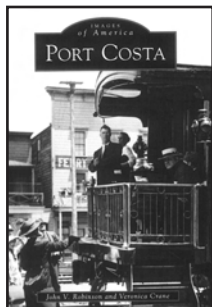
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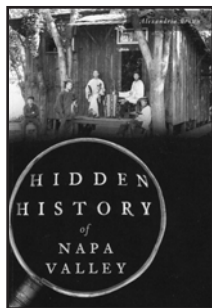
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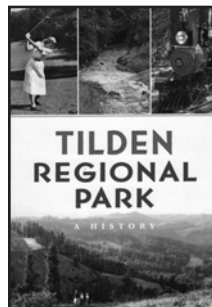
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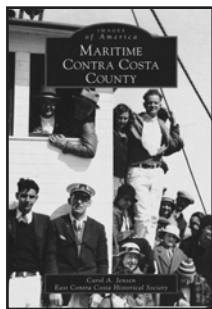
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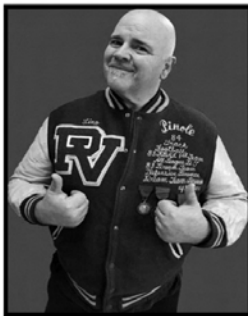
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