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Amos Productions

Celebrating 35 Years of Exceptional Event and Production Services

For more than three decades, Amos Productions has been setting the standard for professional event production throughout the San Francisco Bay Area—especially in the Tri-Valley region, including Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, and San Ramon. A multi-award-winning company, Amos Productions has earned a reputation as the go-to choice for venues, businesses, schools, and nonprofit organizations looking to elevate their events with quality, creativity, and expertise.

On the social side, Amos Productions delivers unforgettable experiences through professional DJ services, interactive photo booths, creative lighting designs, and video production for weddings, parties, school dances, and community events—serving hundreds of clients each year. On the corporate and commercial side, the company specializes in full-scale audio-visual staging, lighting, and live streaming for business meetings, award shows, fundraisers, and conferences. Their impressive client list includes well-known names such as Patelco, Samsung, Hewlett-Packard, and Porsche.



Founded in 1990 by Jody Amos, the company's story began when he turned his high school DJ hobby into a professional venture. While studying business administration and mass communications at Chabot College, Jody's passion for entertainment and technology grew into a thriving enterprise.

By 1997, he had leased his first office space, hired staff, and expanded operations to include multiple DJ systems and a small video crew. When the pandemic disrupted large gatherings, Amos Productions quickly pivoted, offering live-streaming and hybrid event services that helped businesses connect virtually and expanded the company's reach into national and international markets.

"What I love most about this business is collaborating with clients to bring their ideas to life," says Jody. "From creating an illuminated LED dance floor for a vehicle launch to building a 60-foot LED video wall and stage for a corporate production, watching a client's vision evolve into a stunning reality is incredibly rewarding."

Amos Productions is guided



Jody Amos and the Amos Production team

by a strong set of core values—Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Dependability, and Enthusiasm—and strives to live by its mission: to produce amazing events that encompass your vision utilizing professional equipment and personable service. Their vision is to be recognized as the most trusted name in event production, setting the standard for exceptional experiences and service.

Beyond their professional achievements, Jody shares, "At Amos Productions, we take great pride in giving back to the com-

munity that has supported our growth over the years. Our team actively supports and partners with local non-profit organizations and Chambers of Commerce to help strengthen our local economy and foster connections among business leaders. Giving back allows us to connect with incredible people and organizations that make our community thrive and we're honored to play a part in their success."

For more information about Amos Productions, visit amospro.com or call (925) 449-3847 for pricing and availability.

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Business Spotlight

Cactus Flower Nail Boutique

Where Beauty Blooms and Relaxation Begins

Located in the heart of Pleasanton, Cactus Flower Nail Boutique is a premier destination for exceptional nail care, beauty, and relaxation. Under new management, the boutique has quickly become known for its professional service, clean environment, and welcoming atmosphere that allows every guest to unwind and enjoy a truly refreshing experience.

Cactus Flower Nail Boutique offers a complete range of nail and spa services, including classic manicures, deluxe pedicures, Gel-X extensions, hybrid gel, dipping powder, and acrylic enhancements. Each treatment is designed to enhance natural beauty while providing comfort, care, and long-lasting results.

What sets the boutique apart is its unwavering commitment to health, safety, and customer satisfaction. The salon uses FDA-approved products and sanitizes all tools with the EZ11 Plus Tuttnaeur machine, a hospital-grade sterilization system. Clients can relax knowing every service meets the highest standards of cleanliness and professionalism.

The salon's signature pedicures — including the Gold Pedicure, Cactus Platinum Pedicure, and Herb Spa Pedicure — are among its most popular offerings. These treatments incorporate natural ingredients such as fresh milk, oranges, and essential oils, paired with therapeutic techniques like candle oil massages, hot stones, and steaming to promote relaxation, improve circulation, and rejuvenate tired feet.

Cactus Flower Nail Boutique also provides a comfortable, elegant setting designed to make every guest feel pampered. The friendly and experienced team focuses on delivering creative, high-quality work tailored to each client's

preferences. To make the visit even more enjoyable, guests are invited to sip a complimentary glass of red or white wine during their service.

Cactus Flower Nail Boutique is conveniently located at 6654 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 420, Pleasanton. To book your next appointment, call (925) 750-7595 or visit www.cactusflowernailboutique.com. Walk-ins welcome — appointments encouraged.

Whether you're stopping by for a routine manicure, a special occasion, or simply to relax and recharge, Cactus Flower Nail Boutique offers the perfect blend of beauty, care, and tranquility.



Relax, refresh, and indulge. Your pampering experience starts here at Cactus Flower Nail Boutique.



Business Spotlight

Why Poke House Pleasanton Is the Fresh, Feel-Good Favorite in Town

Located in the heart of Pleasanton at 6770 Bernal Ave., Ste. 420, Poke House Pleasanton is more than just a place to grab a bowl—it's a fresh, vibrant celebration of flavor, health, and community.

Opened on October 10, 2025, Poke House brings a California twist to traditional Hawaiian poke. The concept was born from a lifelong love of fresh fish and flavor. "Growing up, I always loved eating fish," says the founder. "Now I get to share that love with everyone, in a bowl packed with color, flavor, and joy."

What We Offer

Poke House specializes in:

- Customizable poke bowls
- Signature chef-crafted bowls
- Sushi-grade tuna and salmon
- Fresh hand rolls
- Catering for events and gatherings

Every bowl is an experience—layered with premium proteins, house-made sauces, and unique toppings designed to delight your

taste buds while nourishing your body.

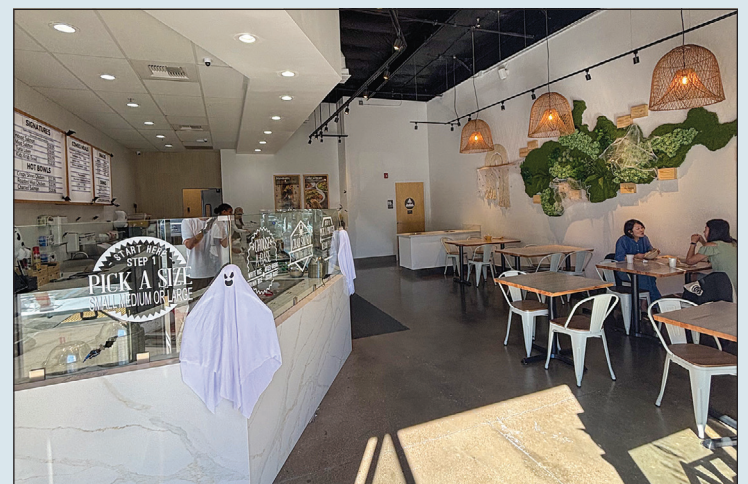
What Sets Us Apart

At Poke House, quality isn't just a priority—it's a promise. We pride ourselves on:

- Premium fish quality
- House-made sauces crafted in-store
- Unique topping combinations you won't find elsewhere
- Exceptional customer service with a personal touch
- A community-first atmosphere
- Healthy, guilt-free meals that fuel your day

More Than Just Food — It's a Feeling

One of the most rewarding moments for the team is hearing customers rave about the quality and express gratitude that Poke House opened in their neighborhood. "It's an amazing moment when someone says, 'This is the best poke I've ever had.' It reminds us why we do this."



Poke House brings a California twist to traditional Hawaiian poke.

Perks for Locals

To show appreciation to our customers, we offer a loyalty program that rewards regulars who choose to make Poke House their happy spot.

Visit us at: 6770 Bernal Ave Ste 420, Pleasanton, CA 94566

Ready to find your favorite bowl? Your house is here—Poke House.



You're Invited to the Ultimate Business Networking Event - The Chamber's Fall Tradeshow Mixer!

Open to the Public - 50 Local Exhibitors - Tasty Bites - Prizes - Networking Galore

Get ready for one of the biggest business events of the year! We are thrilled to partner with The Club at Castlewood.

This high-energy evening is open to the community and features 50 table-top exhibits, mouthwatering samples from local restaurants/caterers, prize giveaways, and endless opportunities to connect.

The Club at Castlewood

707 Country Club Circle,
Pleasanton

November 12, 2025, 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Why attend?

- Connect with local professionals and business leaders
- Discover products and services from a wide range of industries
- Enjoy complimentary bites and beverages
- Enter to win exciting prizes
- All in a gorgeous setting at The Club at Castlewood

With past tradeshow drawing crowds of over 200 attendees, this is not your average mixer - it's an energetic celebration of local business and community spirit. Admission is free and includes two (2) drink tickets.

Attendees can visit more than 50 vendor tables and enjoy tasty bites. Among the vendors providing delicious bites are:

ChaiAum
Cold Stone Creamery
Poke House Pleasanton
P.F. Chang's China Bistro
Simple Elegance Catering
Strizzi's Restaurant

The following businesses will be in attendance as exhibitors:

1st United Credit Union
Adams Pool Solution
Alameda County Fair Association
Aloft Dublin-Pleasanton
Amos Productions
B12 LOVE
Ballistic United Soccer Club
beem® Light Sauna Pleasanton
Black Tie Transportation
California Business Technology
Carpet One of Livermore
ClearPath Business Advisors
Comcast Business
Connect California Homes
DoubleTree by Hilton
Gateway Bank
Hacienda
Industry on Main
John Muir Health
Kaiser Permanente
Minuteman Press Pleasanton



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Nina Pomeroy Agency
Pacific Homecare Services
Pleasanton Computer Repair
Pleasanton Garbage Services
Pleasanton Limo and Bus
Pleasanton Unified School District
Pleasanton Young Professionals

Prodigy Fitness and Performance
Select Imaging
Seniors Helping Seniors
Servpro of Pleasanton/Dublin
SpringHill Suites
Stanford Health Care Tri-Valley
Stratford School of Pleasanton
Terzetto Digital

Toshiba
The Club at Castlewood
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Waxing the City.

Please register in advance at www.pleasanton.org. Direct questions to (925) 846-5858 or info@pleasanton.org.

Business Spotlight

Rockin' Kidz Academy: Building the Next Generation of Musicians

The Rockin' Kidz Academy (RKA) is hitting all the right notes as Pleasanton's newest nonprofit music school. Designed by musicians, for musicians, RKA offers a vibrant and inclusive space where students of all ages can explore their passion for music. From private lessons and dynamic band programs to youth concerts, instrument setups, recording sessions, and more, the Academy provides a complete creative experience. Even the youngest aspiring artists, ages 4–7, can join in through engaging music and art classes tailored just for them.

What truly sets RKA apart is its deep-rooted authenticity. Founder and lead instructor Justin Sakogawa has over 20 years of experience teaching and performing around the world, and he's assembled a team of professional Bay Area musicians who share his passion and dedication. "We take pride in our select handpicked staff of teachers who are working musicians with years of both teaching



and performing experience," he explains.

The RKA facility itself is a musician's dream — from a fully equipped stage room and a "rock-starcade" for free play, to spacious and resourceful teaching studios and a dedicated 2nd floor classroom for piano and art. "It's hard for both students and staff to want to leave," Justin laughs.

My favorite part about being in this business is that I get to work in a field which I love and am extremely versed in. The fulfillment, joy and satisfaction of using my experience and capabilities

as a music teacher to inspire my students is truly rewarding. But now as a business owner, creating a campus where I can foster other teachers so that they have an opportunity to flourish is a whole new layer of accomplishment.

After teaching locally since 2005 and earning his AA in Music from Las Positas College, Justin toured across Europe, Asia, South America, Australia, and the U.S., performing on nine studio albums. When the 2020 lockdowns shuttered the music school where he taught for over a decade, he began the long process of rebuilding. "Now all the



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passion and experience of those 20 years are being channeled into the RKA," he shares.

For Justin, the most rewarding part of this new chapter is inspiring students and empowering other teachers to flourish. His favorite quote from William Arthur Ward

captures this spirit perfectly: "The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires."

Visit rockinkidzacademy.com to learn more and see the magic of RKA in action.

Business Spotlight

Illuminating the Future of Optics: Bright Silicon Technologies

Bright Silicon Technologies is redefining the way light is controlled and directed through its groundbreaking Lightfield Directing Array (LDA) platform. This proprietary, chip-scale technology enables light to be steered with unmatched precision, speed, and flexibility—capabilities that are vital for the next generation of high-performance optical systems.

The company's core market is optical communications, where its LDA technology powers high-throughput, secure free-space optical networks and advanced optical circuit-switching systems. These innovations significantly increase network capacity, reduce latency, and lower optical losses—key for the growing demands of large-scale AI and machine-learning infrastructures.

Beyond communications, Bright Silicon's technology holds promise in a wide range of applications, from LIDAR for autonomous vehicles and 3D metal printing to medi-

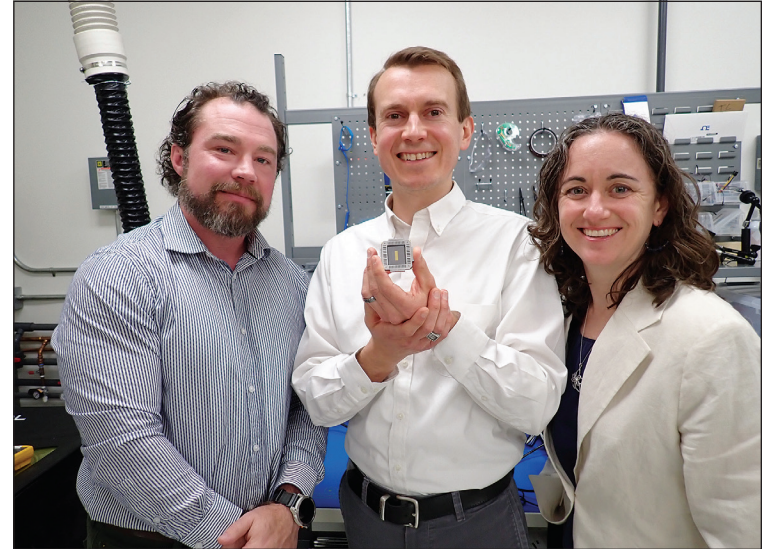


cal imaging and scientific instrumentation. Acting as both a component supplier and a design partner, the company collaborates closely with system developers to integrate its LDA technology into complete, next-generation optical systems.

Founded in 2020, Bright Silicon Technologies grew out of research conducted by Founder and CTO Robert Panas while at MIT's Advanced Manufacturing Laboratory and later Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. What began as a side project became a commercial venture when Panas and the executive team transitioned the technology from lab prototype to viable product.

The team prides itself on being the first to deliver a large aperture, closed-loop MEMS mirror device capable of dramatically expanding the capabilities of optical systems. Equally important, the founders are committed to cultivating a workplace that values innovation, collaboration, and balance—where employees can work on cutting-edge projects while maintaining personal and family commitments.

Looking ahead, 2026 and 2027 promise to be exciting years as Bright Silicon finalizes its first large-range communications demonstration. The company has already doubled in size in 2025 and plans to continue expanding to meet



Co-founders celebrate a milestone with the unveiling of their first 48-element device. From left: Jeff Lang, CEO; Robert Panas, CTO; and Cynthia Panas, COO.

increasing production and integration demands—all while deepening its engagement with the Tri-Valley tech ecosystem and supporting local talent through internship partnerships with Las Positas College.

To learn more about Bright Silicon Technologies and its groundbreaking innovations in optical systems, visit www.bright-si-tech.com, call (925) 667-4010, or email contact@bright-si-tech.com.

Business Spotlight

A Hands-On Approach to Empowering Health and Wellness

For nearly eight years, Dr. David Wong, DC has been dedicated on helping his patients and community achieve better health and wellness through a holistic, hands-on approach to chiropractic care. Located in Pleasanton, Dr. Wong's practice focuses on providing personalized care that goes beyond a quick adjustment — each visit is designed to help patients truly feel their best after they walk out the door. Dr. Wong offers a variety of services including manual and/or low-force “tonal” chiropractic adjustments, soft tissue modalities, and low-level laser therapy (LLLT). His goal is to help patients relieve pain, bringing balance to their nervous system, and enhance overall function — without relying on unnecessary drugs or surgery. What sets his practice apart is the individualized attention each patient receives.



Dr. David Wong, DC

A lifelong advocate of holistic health, Dr. Wong's journey into chiropractic care was inspired by his own personal health struggles. Growing up, he faced numerous types of injuries growing up, leading to multiple medical challenges and frequent doctor visits, but only found lasting relief and an improved quality of life through chiropractic care. That

experience led him to pursue a career focused on wellness and prevention. “The philosophical approach of chiropractic — maintaining a functional and balanced nervous system to decrease pain and stress — aligns perfectly with my own core values and beliefs,” he shares.

Dr. Wong is certified through the International Chiropractic Pediatric Association (ICPA), allowing him to provide specialized care for pregnant women and children. He is also a Certified Chiropractic Extremities Practitioner (CCEP), where he helps patients with extremity-related issues and sports injuries. His flexible hours, competitive pricing, and genuine care for his patients have earned him a loyal following and multiple honors, including Best Chiropractic Office (Pleasanton Weekly Reader's Choice, 2022), the Carol Bush Award (Pleasanton



Chamber, 2024), and finalist recognition for Best of the Bay Area (SFGATE, 2025).

- Active in the community, Dr. Wong serves on the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce
- Board of Directors and the Executive Committee as the Past Chair of the Pleasanton Young Professionals.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call or text (925) 750-7785, visit drdavidwongdc.com.

com, or follow @drdavidwongdc on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.



Thank you to Connor Close, General Manager of Gay Nineties Pizza in Downtown Pleasanton, for hosting our October Mixer!

More than 100 attendees gathered on the beautiful outdoor patio to enjoy a perfect evening of networking, fresh air, and—of course—Gay Nineties' legendary pizza and pasta. We were also proud to recognize Gay Nineties Pizza as one of the Pleasanton Chamber's longest-standing

members, celebrating an incredible 50 years of membership!

Known for their award-winning, scratch-made pizzas and famous sourdough crust, Gay Nineties continues to be a local favorite for great food and warm hospitality. For the full dining experience, call (925) 846-2520 or visit www.gayninetiespizza.com.



Board member Ken Norvell presents a plaque to Connor Close of Gay Nineties Pizza in celebration of 50 years of Chamber membership.

Business Spotlight

Sip, Savor, and Indulge: The Heartwarming Story of ChaiAum

ChaiAum is more than just a café—it’s a heartfelt invitation to slow down, connect, and savor the authentic taste of Himalayan tea culture. Founded just over a month ago, ChaiAum brings the organic, handcrafted flavors of Nepal to Pleasanton, offering a cozy, welcoming space where every cup tells a story.

At ChaiAum, guests can enjoy a thoughtfully curated menu featuring authentic Nepali organic teas, organic coffee, cold brew, matucha, and non-caffeinated specialty drinks made with real ingredients—never powders or syrups. Signature offerings include traditional spiced milk tea, masala chai, and seasonal blends infused with natural herbs and spices. To complement each beverage, the café serves freshly made baked snacks, savory bites, and sweet treats, each crafted to pair beautifully with tea or coffee.

Beyond the café experience, ChaiAum offers event catering, personalized “Chai to Go” boxes, and custom orders for meetings, celebrations, and community gatherings. Every offering is rooted in the café’s mission to share warmth, culture, and connection through mindful living.

What truly sets ChaiAum apart is its authenticity and cultural founda-



tion. The café sources tea directly from Himalayan producers in Nepal and coffee from local roasters, supporting both small farmers and nearby businesses. The result is an experience that blends heritage, quality, and community spirit in every sip.

ChaiAum was born from its founder’s deep love for the Himalayan tea tradition—a daily ritual in Nepal that fosters togetherness and comfort. After moving to the U.S., that sense of shared connection inspired the creation of ChaiAum. “At ChaiAum, every cup is crafted with care and culture—inviting you to Sip. Savor. Indulge. in the authentic warmth of Himalayan chai,” they share.

From first-time chai drinkers to those rediscovering a taste of home, visitors often describe ChaiAum as “a hug in a cup.” It’s that feeling of warmth and belonging that continues to define this special place.



At ChaiAum, every cup is crafted with care and culture.



ChaiAum founders, Rani and Shreepud Raunair and family.

Whether you’re looking for a moment of calm, a cultural experience, or simply a great cup of tea, ChaiAum welcomes you to pause

and enjoy life’s simple pleasures—one sip at a time. Visit them at 5424 Sunol Blvd., Suite 11 in Pleasanton, and discover the authentic taste of

Himalayan warmth and hospitality. To learn more, explore their menu and offerings at www.chaiaum.com.

Business Spotlight

Kravets Electrolysis: Helping Clients Feel Confident in Their Own Skin

My name is Tetiana Kravets, a licensed electrologist and the founder of Kravets Electrolysis in Pleasanton. With a medical background and six years of professional experience, I have dedicated my career to helping people feel confident and comfortable in their own skin through the only FDA-approved method of permanent hair removal: electrolysis.

What we offer

Kravets Electrolysis specializes exclusively in permanent hair removal for all skin and hair types. Unlike temporary solutions such as waxing or shaving—or even laser treatments, which are not always effective—electrolysis completely destroys the hair follicle and provides lasting results. This service is particularly meaningful for women experiencing hormonal imbalance-

es such as PCOS, for transgender individuals during transition, and for anyone seeking the confidence that comes from saying goodbye to unwanted hair for good.

What sets us apart

I bring a unique combination of medical education, international experience, and personal care to each treatment. In Ukraine, where my career began, I not only opened my first studio but also taught electrolysis courses. Several of my students continue to practice successfully in my original studio today. After moving to the U.S., I earned my California license and initially worked in Sunnyvale, Los Altos, and Pleasanton. In July 2025, I proudly opened my own dedicated studio in Pleasanton, where I now focus on serving local clients with the highest standard of care.

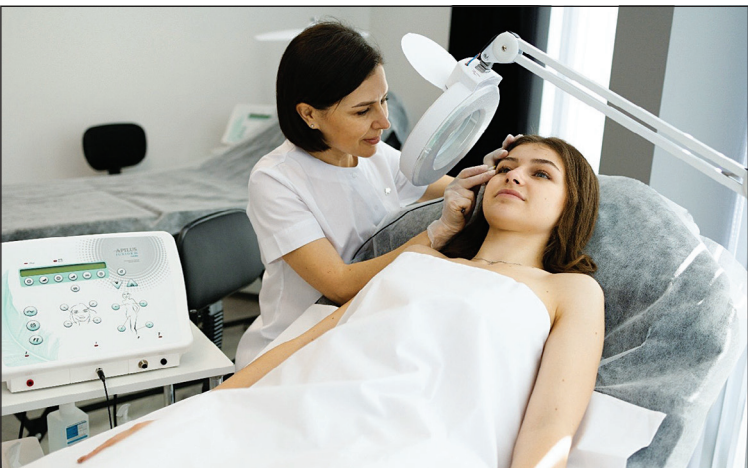
To ensure ongoing profession-

al growth, I attended electrolysis seminars in Costa Mesa (2024) and Las Vegas (2025), which helped me adapt to American techniques and maintain the latest knowledge in my field. I also work with a modern Canadian electrolysis system designed to deliver fast, precise, and comfortable treatments.

My philosophy

My favorite part of this work is seeing the joy and relief my clients feel when they realize they no longer need to struggle with unwanted hair. As I often say: “I treat every client the way I would like to be treated—with care, respect, and understanding.”

Whether you’re ready to begin your journey to smooth, confident skin or simply want to learn more about how electrolysis can help, Tetiana would love to hear from you. Her welcoming Pleasanton studio offers a comfortable, professional environment where every client receives personalized care. To schedule an appointment or consultation, contact Kravets Electrolysis at (925) 319-3893, email kravetstaty@icloud.com, or visit www.kravetselectro.com. Experience the lasting confidence that comes from permanent hair removal—delivered with compassion, precision, and care.



Tetiana Kravets, a licensed electrologist specializes exclusively in permanent hair removal for all skin and hair types in a comfortable, professional environment.



KRAVETS ELECTROLYSIS

Business Spotlight

Big O Tires of Pleasanton Celebrates 45 Years of Family, Service, and Community

In October of 1980, Big O Tires of Pleasanton first opened its doors, founded by Stan and Dave Cherry (grandfather and father) with a shared commitment to reliable automotive service. Now, 45 years later, the business remains rooted in the same Pleasanton location, continuing to serve the community with the same dedication that shaped its early days.

Over the past four and a half decades, the automotive industry has undergone major transformations. Vehicles have become increasingly complex, and technology continues to evolve at a rapid pace. In response, Big O Tires of Pleasanton has continuously updated its tools, diagnostic systems, and service methods to meet modern standards. The shop has also placed a strong emphasis on ongoing training, sending technicians to workshops and specialized schools to stay current with changes in automotive systems.

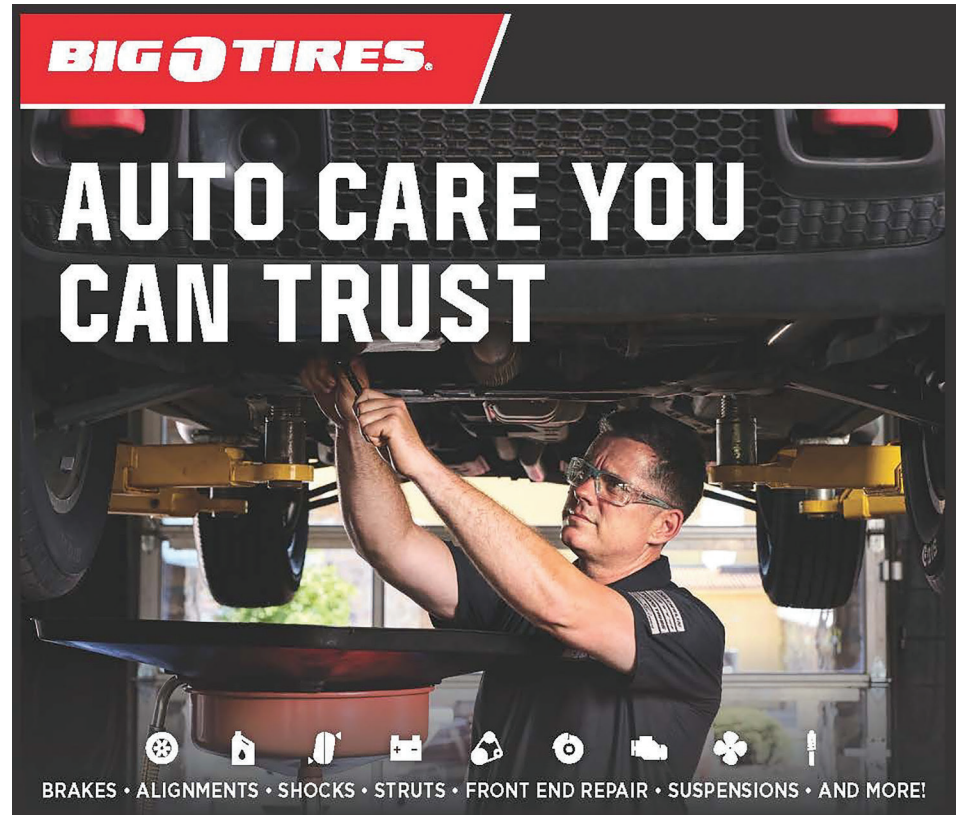
Though the business is often associated with tires, its range of services has grown significantly. In addition to tire sales and repairs, the shop offers full-service automotive maintenance and repair — including 30/60/90k

mileage services, brake work, shocks, alignments, engine diagnostics, and more. The goal has always been to be a dependable, one-stop shop for local drivers.

A recent remodel of the showroom and customer waiting area reflects the shop's commitment to both customer service and comfort. The updated space includes a bar-top counter with charging outlets for those who wish to work while waiting, as well as complimentary Wi-Fi. For those looking to relax, there are magazines, a television, and coffee available. The space is designed to accommodate a variety of customer needs, whether they're staying for a few minutes or a few hours.

One consistent feature throughout the years has been the emphasis on standing behind our work. Services provided at the Pleasanton location are backed by a nationwide warranty, offering peace of mind to customers whether they're close to home or traveling across the country.

Big O Tires of Pleasanton remains a family-rooted business that has grown alongside its community. The industry may look dif-

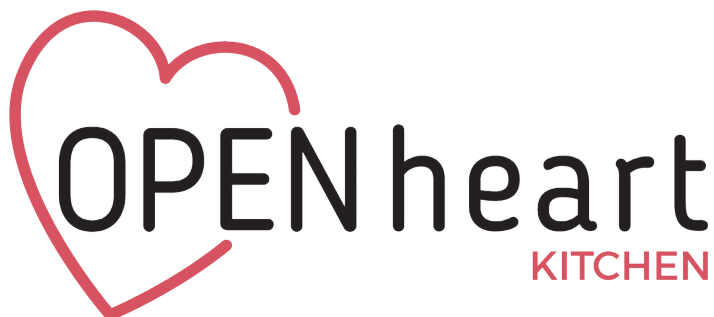


ferent than it did in 1980, but the values of reliable service, honesty, and adaptability continue to define its approach. As the shop marks its 45th year in business, it does so with appreciation for its long-time customers and optimism for the road ahead.

Big O Tires of Pleasanton is located at 3688

A Washington Street in Pleasanton. Whether your car needs new tires, a tune-up, or a full diagnostic check, their trusted team is ready to help keep you safely on the road. Call (925) 462-7650 today to schedule your appointment and experience the same hometown service that's been trusted for 45 years.

BIG O TIRES®



Providing free meals and other resources across the Tri-Valley. Learn more at openheartkitchen.org

925-580-1616



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Business Spotlight

Schooley Mitchell – Helping Businesses Save Smarter

At Schooley Mitchell, the mission is simple — to ensure clients receive the best business services at the best possible price. Specializing in cost reduction across 14 key expense categories, including telecom, waste disposal, credit card processing, small package shipping, and more, Schooley Mitchell helps companies uncover savings hidden in plain sight. These expenses often represent 20–30% of a business's operating budget, and most organizations overpay without realizing it. By leveraging proprietary software, best-in-class pricing databases, and long-standing relationships with service providers, Schooley Mitchell finds measurable savings and continues to monitor accounts to ensure costs stay optimized. On average, clients save 28% across expense categories — and in 8 out of 10 cases, no vendor changes are needed to achieve those savings.

What truly sets Schooley Mitchell apart is its approach. As the largest independent cost reduction firm in North America, the company has achieved over \$1 billion in savings for more than 30,000 clients during the past 20 years. Unlike many consulting firms that perform a one-time review, Schooley Mitchell partners with clients for the long term, ensuring recommendations are properly implemented and monitored so prices don't creep back up. Their model is results-driven and client-centered — there are no upfront fees, and their compensa-



tion comes solely from a portion of the savings they deliver. Simply put: no savings, no charge.

Locally, Schooley Mitchell is represented by a new franchise owner, Sanjeev Domingo, who brings more than 30 years of experience in senior leadership roles within the management and business consulting industry. Having spent decades helping large global companies become more efficient and cost-effective, he saw an opportunity to bring that same level of expertise to small and medium-sized businesses. "Smaller organizations often lack the time, knowledge, and resources to manage these expenses effectively," Sanjeev explains. "Helping them save money and improve profitability is extremely rewarding."

Beyond the numbers, Sanjeev enjoys connecting with the community and is looking to help a wide range of organizations, including nonprofits and educational institutions, become more financially efficient.

For more information, contact Schooley Mitchell of SF Bay Area - Domingo via email, Sanjeev.domingo@schooleymitchell.com, or phone, (650) 334-1005, or visit their website www.schooleymitchell.com/office/sjdomingo.



Business Spotlight

Nonni's Bistro — A Taste of Europe in the Heart of Pleasanton

For Chef Jon Magnusson, hospitality is more than a profession—it's a way of life. "I have been privileged to establish countless friendships and strong ties to the community through the Art of Hospitality," he says. "It's a chance to serve our fellow humans good food with humility and gratitude." This heartfelt philosophy shines through at **Nonni's Bistro**, his beloved European-inspired restaurant located in downtown Pleasanton.

Born in the coastal village of Akranes, Iceland, Chef Jon's early life revolved around the sea. As a boy, he dreamed of captaining a ship



and traveling the world. That dream led him to Rotterdam at just 15, but instead of manning the deck, he found himself working in the ship's kitchen—a twist of fate that set the course for his culinary career.

After years of travel across Europe, Chef Jon trained at the Hotel and Restaurant School of

Iceland, where he mastered classical French and Continental cuisine. His adventurous spirit later took him to Rio de Janeiro, where he immersed himself in the vibrant flavors and diverse culinary influences of Brazil. Eventually, his journey brought him to California, where he opened his first restaurant, Bistro 211 in Carmel, in 1995.

In 2010, Chef Jon opened **Nonni's Bistro** in Pleasanton, bringing his global inspiration and passion for handcrafted cuisine to the Tri-Valley. At Nonni's, every dish is made from scratch with care and creativity. Guests can enjoy European-inspired classics like

goat cheese crêpes and French onion soup, as well as flavorful entrées such as mussels & frites and wild mushroom ravioli. A full bar, curated wine list, and selection of European beers round out the experience.

Whether you're visiting for a leisurely weekend brunch, an intimate dinner, or a special occa-

sion, Nonni's Bistro offers a warm, welcoming atmosphere that makes every meal memorable. With live music and community spirit woven into its charm, it's no wonder Nonni's has become a local favorite.

Nonni's Bistro, 425 Main Street, Pleasanton. (925) 600-0411 or www.nonnisbistro.net.



Enjoy a warm, welcoming atmosphere at Nonni's Bistro, perfect for weekend brunch, intimate dinners, or special occasions.



Chef Jon Magnusson

Business Spotlight

Floor Coverings International of East Bay – Bringing the Showroom to You

When it comes to transforming your space, Floor Coverings International of East Bay delivers a truly personalized and stress-free experience. Located at 5600 Sunol Blvd., Suite D in Pleasanton, this full-service flooring company offers everything from product recommendations and sales to expert installation—making them your one-stop destination for all flooring needs.

Owner David Samuelson takes pride in offering what he calls a "white-glove" approach. Rather than operating a large showroom, David brings the showroom directly to his customers. "We operate primarily by appointment, where I personally bring samples to your home or business," he explains. "This saves time and allows customers to see how the flooring looks in their actual space. Plus, it helps me keep overhead low and pricing competitive."

As both the owner and a licensed, bonded, and insured contractor, David personally oversees every project to ensure top quality and customer satisfaction. Although he officially took ownership this year, Floor Coverings International has been a trusted name in Pleasanton for

more than a decade. The company's stellar reputation is reflected in its 4.9-star rating across Google and other review platforms.



David Samuelson
Owner

David's background as a seasoned real estate investor and home remodeler gives him a unique perspective on the importance of detail and trust in home improvement. "I know what it's like to be on the customer side of a renovation," he says. "That's why all my proposals include everything up front—no hidden costs, no surprises."

The company's commitment to integrity extends to its team. Only installers who meet the highest standards work with Floor Coverings International, ensuring that each job is completed with precision and care.

Outside of work, David lives locally with his wife and two young boys. Together, they enjoy tennis, healthy living, and travel.

For more information or to schedule a consultation, call 925.426.8800, email fcieastbay@fcifloors.com, or visit floorcoveringsinternational.com/locations/us/ca/east-bay. David or his office manager will be happy to assist you personally.



Membership Anniversaries



During the past two months, over 55 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.

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| 43 Years
Peter MacDonald | John Muir Health |
| 30 to 35 Years
Wilson Property Management
Pleasanton VIP Senior Club & Peddler Shoppe
So Unique Painting & Decorating
Select Imaging
Assistance League of Amador Valley | Intero Real Estate Services
Patriot Pest Management
Towne Center Books
Real Protection, Inc. |
| 25 to 29 Years
Oracle
Terrence J. Rose, Inc.
Diversified Mortgage Group
Door Doctor, The
Stone Group, The
Axis Community Health
O'Neill & Associates
Tri-Valley Career Center
Zone 7 Water Agency
Hoge Fenton | 5 to 9 Years
Smog King
PCJ Real Estate Advisors, LLC
CityServe of the Tri-Valley
Dublin San Ramon Services District
BYE Junk
PYT Construction Corp.
Jill Cash - State Farm Insurance
Aloft Dublin-Pleasanton
Merchant Advocate
Jeanette Schaub Health & Wellness by Design
PMA Services
LTD Global, LLC
Simpson Strong-Tie Company, Inc |
| 20 to 24 Years
The Clorox Company | 1 to 4 Years
Annette Frei Design
David Wong Chiropractic
Fondray
Amazon
US Foods
Meadowlark Dairy
ALS CURE Project
Tri-Valley REACH
Veterans of Foreign Wars - Post 6298
Garage Kings
Mark Zevanove - JPAR Iron Horse Real Estate
Lockheed Martin |
| 15-19 Years
Best Western Plus
Pleasanton Inn
The Parkview
Assisted Living | |
| 10 to 14 Years
USA Mobil Drug Testing of the East Bay
Mortensen & Son
Darlene Crane - CrossCountry Mortgage
Tri-Valley Evening Rotary
Sunol Creek
Memory Care | |

Ribbon Cuttings



Creating new jobs, stronger economy



www.b12love.com

B12 LOVE — The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce proudly welcomed B12 LOVE with a ribbon cutting celebration! Founded by Dr. Shannon Wood Gallegos and Armando Gallegos, B12 LOVE offers Functional Medicine services designed to optimize wellness and longevity, including Vitamin and Nutrient IV Drips, Injections, and Natural Aesthetics. With a mission to help individuals thrive—not just get by—B12 LOVE provides personalized, science-backed care through their Functional Medicine Doctors and Nurse Practitioners. Northern California's premier destination for integrative wellness, B12 LOVE is redefining what it means to live vibrantly and age gracefully.



www.kravetselectro.com

Kravets Electrolysis — The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce was delighted to celebrate the grand opening of Kravets Electrolysis, founded by licensed electrologist Tetiana Kravets. With six years of professional experience and a strong medical background, Tetiana specializes exclusively in permanent hair removal using electrolysis—the only FDA-approved method for complete, lasting results. Her studio welcomes all clients, including women with hormonal imbalances, transgender individuals, and anyone seeking confidence through smooth, hair-free skin. Combining international expertise, advanced technology, and compassionate care, Tetiana brings a personal touch to every treatment, helping clients feel comfortable and confident in their own skin.



rockinkidzacademy.com

Rockin' Kidz Academy — The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce joined founder Justin Sakogawa and his talented team to celebrate the ribbon cutting of Rockin' Kidz Academy, Pleasanton's newest nonprofit music school. Designed by musicians for musicians, the Academy offers private lessons, band programs, youth concerts, recording sessions, and engaging music and art classes for ages 4–7. With a fully equipped stage room, “rockstarcade,” and dedicated studios, RKA is a creative haven where students and teachers alike are inspired to grow. Visit rockinkidzacademy.com to learn more and experience the joy of music in motion!



nuvisionfederal.com

Nuvision Credit Union — Nuvision Credit Union celebrated the grand reopening of its Pleasanton branch, marking an exciting new chapter while honoring its legacy as SafeAmerica. CEO Roger Ballard and the Executive Leadership Team welcomed members, Mayor Jack Balch, and community partners at a special ceremony highlighting Nuvision's growing connection to the Tri-Valley. The event also recognized two local organizations—American Legion Post 237 and Open Heart Kitchen—for their outstanding community impact. With a focus on building long-term relationships, Nuvision looks forward to serving new and existing members and continuing its commitment to supporting the local community.



www.chaiaum.com

ChaiAum — The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce was delighted to celebrate the ribbon cutting of ChaiAum, a new local gem offering organic tea, coffee, and soulful real fruit beverages. Owned by Rani and Shreepud Rauniar, ChaiAum was inspired by the comforting aroma of cardamom and the joy of morning brews—now transformed into a welcoming community space where connection and calm are always on the menu. From Himalayan Chiya (Chai/Tea) and bold espresso drinks to soothing herbal infusions and kid-friendly treats, there's something for everyone. Visit ChaiAum at 5424 Sunol Blvd., Suite 11 in Pleasanton or online at www.chaiaum.com.



www.bart.gov

BART — The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce was proud to join Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) for the Fare Gate Project Completion Ribbon Cutting at the West Dublin/Pleasanton Station. This milestone marks the installation of Next Generation Fare Gates at all 50 BART stations, enhancing safety, reliability, and rider experience across the system. The new gates feature state-of-the-art technology and a sleek modern design, representing a major step forward in BART's commitment to providing a safer and more efficient transit experience. Stop by your local BART station to see the impressive new upgrades in action!