

February 2022

AARPSM
Tax-AideTM

**NOT AVAILABLE AT THE
NEWARK SENIOR CENTER
THIS YEAR**

due to a combination of Covid-19 based requirements imposed by CDC and local government all AARP Tax-Aide is canceled for Southern Alameda County.

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**Open Monday - Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm
7401 Enterprise Dr.
510-578-4840
senior.center@newark.org**

**CLOSED February 21
in observance of
President's Day**



Welcome to the Team
Janelle Mensinger

Janelle recently joined the Recreation and Community Services Team as an Intern. She is a Cal State East Bay Recreation Management Major. Janelle grew up in Newark and is excited to be a part of planning and providing recreation opportunities within her community. Please stop by the Senior Center Office to meet her.

Why pay for TAX PREP?



Our **EXPERTS** can do it for **FREE**

VITA VIRTUAL TAX SERVICE

Free tax preparation services available for eligible customers with an annual income up to \$75,000, or eligible seniors 65+ with an annual income up to \$90,000.

Due to COVID-19, and to ensure your safety and well-being, our tax preparation service will be 100% virtual. Our VITA site is a member of United Way Bay Area's Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Coalition, and we've partnered with Code for America to offer on-line filing via the **Get Your Refund** secure platform. Our team of IRS-certified tax preparers will prepare your return while communicating with you throughout the entire process.



Customers submit IDs and tax documents online using a smartphone, tablet, or computer



To start the process, visit fremontvita.org

DROP-OFF SERVICE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

If you don't have access to technology to upload documents, you may schedule an appointment to drop-off **copies** of ID(s) and documents, and you'll pick up your return when it's ready.

To schedule an appointment, visit: <https://calendly.com/ffrc>
or call (510) 250-2606

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

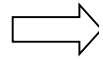
Fremont Family Resource Center
39155 Liberty Street
Fremont, CA 94538
Building EFGH

Union City Family Center
725 Whipple Road
Union City, CA 94587



SAVE A PORTION OF YOUR REFUND FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO WIN \$100

Tax time is the perfect time for saving! Start now and save for an emergency or a financial goal (college education, dream home, vacation, retirement, etc.). When you split your refund and save at least \$50, you'll be entered in the Earn It! Keep It! Save It! and FRC VITA Sweepstakes to win \$100. Let us help you save a portion of your refund & enroll you in the sweepstakes!



PLEASE UPLOAD, OR IF YOU USE THE DROP-OFF SERVICE, PROVIDE COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Social Security card(s) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) card(s) or letter(s) for everyone you will list on your return.

Please note: An ITIN is expired if it hasn't been used on a tax return for the last three tax years.
- Photo identification: A selfie of you holding your valid photo ID. This requirement applies to main tax filer and spouse. The photo must be clear, and the photo ID must be legible.
- If your income was higher in 2019, then provide a copy of the first two pages of 2019 Form 1040, if available.
- Savings and checking account and routing numbers, or a voided check for direct deposit.
- Income statements, documents, or forms:
 - Wages from each job (W-2)
 - Interest (1099-INT)
 - Dividends (1099-DIV)
 - Retirement Plans (1099-R)
 - Gambling Winnings (W-2G)
 - Unemployment (1099-G)
 - Social Security Benefits (SSA-1099)
 - Miscellaneous Income (1099-MISC, 1099-NEC, 1099-K)
 - Sale of Stock (1099-B)
 - Tuition (1098-T) and online detailed student account statement of expenses paid to university/college
 - Health Insurance Information (1095-A, B, or C) If you purchased health coverage through Covered CA, you must also provide Form FTB 3895
 - Economic Stimulus Letter (Notice 1444-C)
 - Child Tax Credit Payment Letter from IRS (Letter 6419)

PROVIDE IF IT APPLIES TO YOU:

- 2021 Identity Theft PIN Letter from IRS
- Records of charitable contributions
- Homeowner mortgage interest (1098)
- Property tax bill
- DMV registration form
- Interest you paid on student loans (1098-E)
- Childcare or dependent care expenses. Bring total amount paid, provider's business name, address, phone number and SSN or tax ID #
- If self-employed, provide business income and expenses, to include mileage log. For Rideshare Drivers: 1099-NEC, 1099-K and on-line tax summary page
- If you plan to itemize, provide a summary sheet (description and total amount of your expenses)

THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS ARE OUT-OF-SCOPE:

- Married Filing Separately
- If you received a Form W-2 and a Form 1099 from the same business/employer
- Foreclosure/Short Sale
- Kiddie Tax (Large scholarship amount may be out-of-scope, call to request consultation)
- IRA to Roth Conversions
- Sale of stocks acquired by stock options
- Over 16 stock transactions
- Loan Modification
- Out of State Income
- Rental Income
- Self-employment & sole proprietor business with expenses over \$35,000, depreciation, losses, or office in the home
- 1040NR (non-resident alien), except for Foreign Student with Visa F, J, M or Q
- Expired ITIN holders need to call 211 for VITA sites with Certified Acceptance Agents

****Other situations may be out-of-scope****

For tax related inquiries call (510) 574-2020, or for more information visit www.fremontvita.org



A message from Alameda County Water District



Lawn & Landscape Irrigation Restrictions

HOW OFTEN CAN I USE MY SPRINKLER SYSTEM?

Month	Watering Days Per Week
January	1 every other week
February	1 every other week
March	1
April	1
May	1
June	2
July	2
August	2
September	2
October	1
November	1 every other week
December	1 every other week
*Turf fields at recreation sites	+1 per week

*One additional day per week of irrigation is allowed for turf at sports fields, playing fields and other active recreation areas.

THE FOLLOWING PRACTICES ARE

PROHIBITED:



Irrigation while it's raining and within 48 hours of measurable rainfall of at least 0.25"



Irrigation that results in ponding, flooding or excessive runoff

THE FOLLOWING PRACTICES ARE

ACCEPTED:



Irrigating with drip or subsurface irrigation



Watering water-efficient landscaping to get low water use, drought tolerant, or native plants established with a hose equipped with a shut off nozzle, or other acceptable means (i.e., bucket, watering can, greywater)

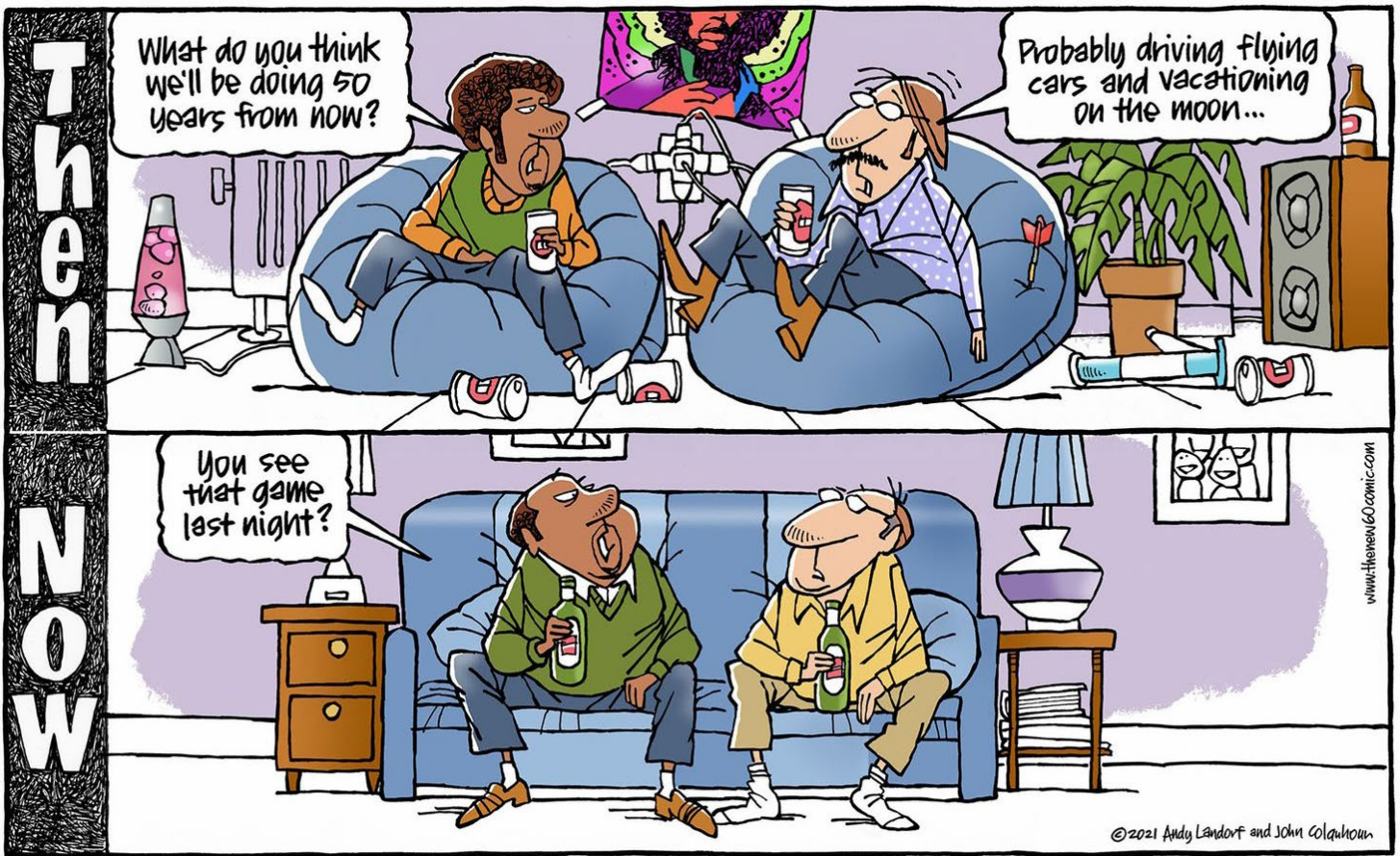
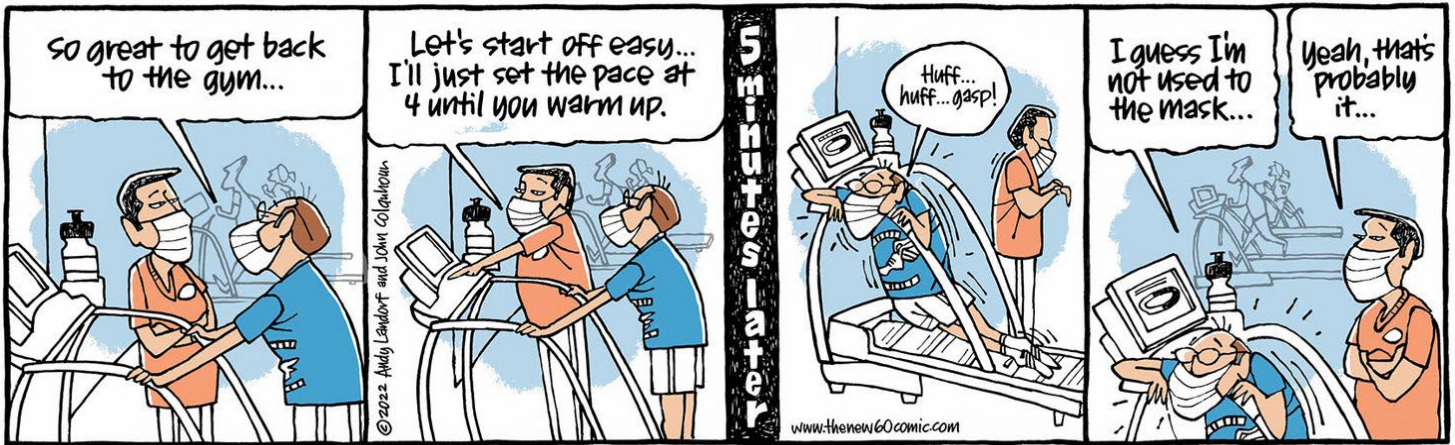


Irrigating trees that are on a separate valve or are irrigated with bubblers



Customers are encouraged to maintain and irrigate trees to ensure survival during extended dry periods

The New 60



Crossword Puzzle

Answers on page 9.

Across

1. Pout
5. Ascend
10. Pretends
14. Summer drinks
15. Bricklayer
16. Dull
17. Smuggled goods
19. Shoe bottom
20. "Sesame Street" character
21. Army camp
22. ____ in a while
23. Harry Potter's skill
25. Apprehend
27. Flee
30. Seize
31. Talk
32. Register
35. Drag
38. Juliet's beloved
40. Poet's above
41. Steam bath
43. ____ and downs
44. Walk leisurely
47. Peacock's pride
48. Purple fruit
49. Perceptive
51. Proportions
54. Speed
56. Neighborhood
57. Headliner
59. Relative by marriage (hyph.)
63. Tehran's land
64. Fort ____, FL
66. Fair (hyph.)
67. Singer ____ John
68. Happily ____ after
69. Flock mamas
70. Prophets
71. Soften

Down

1. Aromatic spice
2. Stench
3. William or Sean
4. Approximate
5. Doctors' group (abbr.)
6. Synagogue figure
7. Author ____ Asimov
8. Male descendants
9. Makes beloved
10. Soak up
11. Copy exactly
12. Bath powders
13. Bed linen
18. Cut grain
24. Mild exclamation
26. Squealers
27. Unbleached color
28. Boutique
29. Picture takers, for short
30. Young lady
33. Average
34. Zodiac sign
35. Hawaiian feast
36. Army division
37. Strong wind
39. Nordic capital
42. Audience member
45. Scuffles
46. ____ Vegas
48. Keyboard instruments
50. Commotion
51. Rear
52. Directional symbol
53. Taunt
54. Terre ____, Indiana
55. Passion
58. Saga
60. Fluid rock
61. Pub orders
62. "Wish You ____ Here"
65. Printing measures

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The Bright Side: Good News of 2021

Exercise

SENIOR GOLD DANCE FITNESS
<https://youtu.be/GNPQDj7F-z4>

GENTLE STRETCHING
<https://youtu.be/FHPRtbtMx5g>

FAT BURNING WALKING WORKOUT
<https://youtu.be/ATFKho1Xgyl>



https://youtu.be/oF2zCl_6s4w



Get alerted about emergencies and other important community information by signing up for AC Alert System.

Alameda County has launched a new emergency notification system, AC Alert mass notification service. This service allows us to quickly alert you in the event of local emergency or critical incident taking place near you, and provides information as to what protective actions you may need to take.

AC Alert is an automated phone calling system that currently contains land-line phone number for most residents and businesses. The community is encouraged to enroll additional information to receive notifications by email, SMS (text) and cell or work number by registering online. Subscribers can customize which cities within Alameda County that they would like to receive notifications from. Warnings and emergency messaging will be sent using all available contact paths, including home and cell phone numbers, as well as email and the Everbridge app. Advisories and non-emergency messages only be sent via email and the Everbridge app.

LINK TO SIGN UP: <https://member.everbridge.net/453003085612570/new>

Sudoku Puzzle #45

9						1		
7	2	3				8		
		4		8	9	2		3
2			9			5		
		8		3		6		
	5	1			8		4	2
5			3	9	7			
8	3			4	6			
	4							2

Sudoku Puzzle #46

5					2			3
6		9	7					5
	3	4	9	1				
1		6	2			9	5	7
		2						1
	5							2
			3					
8			5	6		7		
9	2	5				1		

Dinosaurs Word Search

Find and circle all of the Dinosaurs related words that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell a secret message.

D A S P I N O S A U R U S S R E L W A R C
 I E X T I N C T E N D S A K S A T N U H P
 G R P S H T N G P O E U L U C Y R T O I T
 Y W A R D E D O M R R H R I R A N E E S E
 G C I O E I R E D O E U O A S O R E R E R
 O S G N R D H B P O A H N P T S R T U N O
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ALLOSAURUS
 ARTHROPODS
 BABIES
 BONES
 BRACHIOSAURUS
 CARNIVORE
 CLAWS
 CRAWLERS
 CREST
 DIG
 DISCOVERY

DOME HEAD
 EGG
 ERUPTION
 EXTINCT
 FLYERS
 FOOTPRINT
 FOSSILS
 GEOLOGY
 GIANT
 GLIDERS
 HERBIVORE

HERD
 HOPPERS
 HORN
 HUNT
 IGUANODON
 JURASSIC
 LIZARD
 MESOZOIC
 NEST
 PREDATOR
 PREHISTORIC

PTERANODON
 PTERODACTYL
 REPTILE
 RIDGE
 ROAR
 ROCK
 SAUROPODS
 SCALES
 SCARY
 SKELETON
 SKULL

SPINOSAURUS
 STEGOSAURUS
 STOMP
 TAIL CLUB
 TEETH
 TITANOSAURUS
 TRACKS
 TRICERATOPS
 TYRANNOSAURUS REX
 VELOCIRAPTOR
 VOLCANO
 WING

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Sudoku Solution #45

9	8	5	4	2	3	1	6	7
7	2	3	1	6	5	8	9	4
1	6	4	7	8	9	2	5	3
2	7	6	9	1	4	5	3	8
4	9	8	5	3	2	6	7	1
3	5	1	6	7	8	9	4	2
5	1	2	3	9	7	4	8	6
8	3	9	2	4	6	7	1	5
6	4	7	8	5	1	3	2	9

Sudoku Solution #46

5	7	1	6	8	2	4	9	3
6	8	9	7	4	3	2	1	5
2	3	4	9	1	5	6	7	8
1	4	6	2	3	8	9	5	7
3	9	2	4	5	7	8	6	1
7	5	8	1	9	6	3	2	4
4	6	7	3	2	1	5	8	9
8	1	3	5	6	9	7	4	2
9	2	5	8	7	4	1	3	6

RIDE-ON TRI-CITY!

RIDE-ON TRI-CITY! is funded by the Alameda County Transportation Commission through Measure B/BB sales tax revenues. For more information on Measure B/BB, visit: www.alamedactc.org

Services to Newark residents are provided through a partnership between the City of Newark and the City of Fremont's Human Services Department.

Eligibility Requirements for RIDE-ON TRI-CITY! transportation services:

- Newark residents who are 70 years of age or older; OR,
- Newark residents who are unable to use public transportation independently due to a disability or disabling health condition.

RIDE-ON TRI-CITY! registrants can use the following:

Ride-Hailing Service:

Subsidized rides through Lyft for participants with a smartphone or participants who do not have a smartphone can get subsidized Lyft or Uber rides through GoGo Grandparent's Call Center. Participants pay for the first \$4 of their trip and up to \$16 of additional trip costs will be subsidized.

Taxi Service:

Subsidized curb-to-curb taxi rides in the Tri-City area using a taxi voucher. Taxi vouchers cost \$4 each and subsidize up to \$16 of taxi meter fare.

Wheelchair-Accessible Van Service:

Participants requiring special door-to-door assistance can get subsidized wheelchair-accessible van rides in Tri-City area. Participants pay \$4 per one-way trip, using a pre-paid voucher.

Call (510) 574-2053 for more information.



Transportation Questions Answered...

A Transportation Resources Specialist from RIDE-ON TRI-CITY! can assess your individual needs and work with you in-person or over the phone to answer any questions you have about transportation and how to get around the community.

- Learning how to ride public transit buses or BART
- Obtaining and learning how to use a Clipper card
- Finding and applying for affordable transportation alternatives
 - if you no longer drive and cannot take public transit
- Learning how to use ride-hailing services, like Lyft.
- Renewing your driver's license, obtaining a DMV Disabled Parking placard or figuring out how to maintain driving safety as you age.

A Transportation Resources Specialist is available at the Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center on the first Thursday of each month. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (510) 574-2053.

CLIPPER CARD Workshops

Learn about Clipper, the all-in-one transit card, the first Thursday of every month from 10:00-11:00am at the Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center. This FREE workshop will teach you all the ins and outs of using Clipper. Seniors 65 years of age and older can apply for a FREE senior Clipper Card at the end of the workshop (must bring proof of age with you). For more information, call (510) 574-2053.