

1649 Arbutus Drive, Walnut Creek



This delightful 3 BR home in popular Parkmead has something for everyone: single-level living with the opportunity to build out the above-grade basement/storage area; walls of glass with views of trees and hillsides; modern design, finishes and fixtures for easy living. And it is just minutes away from Broadway Plaza, highly-rated K-12 schools and commute routes. **Listed at \$1,500,000.**



Please call Tania for a private appointment.

Tania DeGroot 925.259.1380

taniamdegroot@gmail.com



RELiance PARTNERS

www.bhghome.com

CalBRE # 01094898



When I say "good," you say "neighbor."

Mike Rosa

Agent

925-376-2244

Insurance Lic. #: OF45583
346 Rheem Blvd., Suite 106
Moraga

Now that's teamwork.

CALL FOR A QUOTE 24/7



State Farm Home Office, Bloomington, IL

Letters to the editor ... continued

Ginni Thomas contributed to AUHSD candidates?

If local elections are meant to be local, why then would Ginni Thomas, wife of Associate Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas actually send money to support the Woolway, Nowac and Ledeen bloc of candidates?

Similarly, why would campaign contributions for these three be coming from as far away as Missouri, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Vermont and North Carolina?

The answer is simple. Far right conservatives have turned their party's focus to state and local politics behind a nation-wide and carefully orchestrated "Parent Revolt" campaign focused on supporting local school board candidates.

Their agenda is to turn back the clock on public education without regard for the needs and aspirations of local communities nor for the health and well-being of students.

What's more alarming? None of these three local and nationally-back candidates have children attending any of our four Lamorinda high schools...possible proof, should they be elected, that they'll be indifferent in serving the unique needs of AUHSD and our local community.

So please help keep our local elections local by not voting for any of the three far right candidates. Paul Cohune Moraga

Chris Young for MOFD Division 1

We are writing to strongly urge your support for Chris Young for the vacant seat representing MOFD Division 1. We are former MOFD Directors and Board Presidents and we are impressed that Chris is willing to donate his time for the betterment of our community. He brings a new and independent voice to the Board. He has no prior connection to the fire service, but he has spent his career in business, budgeting and communications, all talents which would add to the breadth of the Board.

Chris has had MOFD at his home six times, calls including a medical emergency for one of his 2-year-old twins as well as an electrical fire. He was very impressed by MOFD's professional paramedic and fire suppression service and he would like to support MOFD as they face future medical emergencies and fire dangers to our community. He is committed to keeping MOFD under local control and to work for consensus among the

firefighter-paramedics, the administration, and community members to ensure the District's fiscal health. Please join us in supporting Chris Young for MOFD Division 1. Fred Weil Kathleen Conroy Famulener Moraga

Elect Mike Roemer for MOFD Board Division 4

Mike Roemer has the skills our community needs to run a professional MOFD Board. The Board has a fiduciary duty to the local citizens to do what is in the community's best interest. Mike is a practicing attorney and a former DA. He also has the necessary finance skills to guide MOFD's \$33 Million budget, large pension obligations, and investment portfolio. The Board has hired the best Fire Chief and professional firefighting and emergency staff possible to run the day-to-day operations. The MOFD Board's role is NOT to manage operations. The Board requires professionals, like Roemer, who have experience overseeing large budgets with broad legal, business and finance experience to represent ONLY the interests of our community.

Mike Roemer has received 100% of his funding from friends, family and local citizens and is endorsed by hun-

dreds of residents and community leaders. His competitor received over 75% of his funding from nonresident sources.

Support Mike Roemer as the most qualified choice for the MOFD Board. Lucy Talbot Orinda

Re-elect Steve Danziger to MOFD board

We endorse Director Steven Danziger for re-election to the MOFD Board. We have known Steven and his family for over 30 years and know of his commitment and passion for serving the public, dedication to the Fire Service and desire to make our District as fire safe as possible. Steven is a two term Board President, MOFD Ambassador and CERT volunteer. He had a long career in government including 20 yrs as Administrative Services Manager with the Oakland Fire Department. Steven is presently Chair of the Orinda Parks and Recreation Commission, and volunteers with numerous other local organizations.

The last 4 years have been extremely challenging for all essential workers and particularly to the Fire Service. Steven has been a strong voice to ensure that our firefighters have the resources, training and

support to stay safe and provide the highest level of service to the community.

During his time on the Board, the District has increased fire prevention programming, been aggressive in addressing the unfunded liabilities, and passed a stringent fire code that is now a model code for the rest of the state. His priorities include: enhancing fire prevention programs, breaking ground on a new Fire Station 41 in Moraga, restoration of funding to staff an ambulance in Orinda, encouraging more neighborhoods to become Firewise, and increased information/outreach to the community. \\

As Director, Steven has proven that he has the government and fire experience, leadership skills, history of volunteerism and understanding of the community to be an effective leader and advocate for fire safety in the District. Much has been accomplished but there is more to do.

Steven is endorsed by Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan and the Moraga Orinda Firefighters Association. Please vote to re-elect Director Danziger to the MOFD Board. Mark Dulberg Orinda

... continued on Page A13



Vote for Mike ROEMER MOFD Board

Endorsed by **Mayor Dennis Fay** and all City Council Members **Darlene Gee, Nick Kosla, Inga Miller and Amy Worth;** plus Firewise Leaders, Local Leaders and hundreds of Community Members.



Amy Worth, Mike Roemer and Darlene Gee

"We support Mike Roemer as the best person for the MOFD Fire Board."

Orinda Mayor **Dennis Fay** and City Council Members **Darlene Gee, Nick Kosla, Inga Miller and Amy Worth**

"Mike Roemer has been deeply connected to our communities for many years. He supports fire prevention efforts and will work collaboratively with our Firewise Neighborhoods. I enthusiastically endorse Mike for the MOFD Board."

Melanie Light, Orinda Firewise Council, Founder and Former Chair, Orinda Citizen of the Year 2021

"I personally know Mike Roemer to be a highly qualified candidate for the MOFD Board. His outstanding skills and passionate community volunteerism will be a great asset, plus his solid commitment to protect our communities and families from wildfires."

Sue Severson, Former Orinda Mayor, Citizen of the Year 2004

Mike ROEMER is endorsed by our Local Leaders

(Titles for identification only. Partial list of supporters.)

- Steve Glazer**, California State Senator
- Don Perata**, Former California Senator
- Dennis Fay**, Mayor, City of Orinda
- Darlene Gee**, Orinda City Council, Former Mayor
- Amy Worth**, Orinda City Council, Former Mayor
- Inga Miller**, Orinda City Council, Former Mayor
- Nick Kosla**, Orinda City Council
- Joyce Hawkins**, Former Orinda Mayor
- Bobbie Landers**, Former Orinda City Council
- Tom McCormick**, Former Orinda Mayor
- Melanie Light**, Orinda Citizen of the Year 2021, Orinda Firewise Council Chair
- Craig Jorgens**, MOFD Board
- John Jex**, MOFD Board

- Brad Barber**, Former MOFD Board President
- Gene Gottfried**, Former MOFD Board
- Vanessa Crews**, Orinda Citizen of the Year 1997
- Sue Severson**, Former Orinda Mayor, Citizen of the Year 2004
- Pete Hasselman**, Citizen of the Year 2019
- Tom Trowbridge**, Orinda Citizen of the Year 2020
- Chris Severson**, Alcalanes High School District Board
- Riki Sorenson**, Former OUSD Board
- Pam West**, Former OUSD Board
- Cassandra Forth**, Former OUSD Board
- Aliza Metzner**, Glorietta Firewise Leader
- Barry Anderson**, Glorietta Firewise Leader
- Christy Clarke**, Glorietta Firewise Leader

- Bruce Saldinger**, Glorietta Firewise Leader
- Rich Dudley**, Glorietta Firewise Leader
- Pam Rhodes**, Hillcrest Drive Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness Chair
- Wesley Ayers**, Fire Support Volunteer
- Al Archangel**, Fire Support Volunteer
- Diana Wilde**, Fire Support Volunteer
- Perrin Kliot**, Fire Support Volunteer
- Ray Breslau**, Fire Support Volunteer
- Dick Wilcox**, Moraga-Orinda Citizens for Fire Safety Leader
- Ian Baird**, Moraga-Orinda Citizens for Fire Safety Leader
- Lucy Talbot**, Firewise Council Leadership

A growing list of Community Endorsers

- | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Catherine Akazawa | Christina Berger | Debusschere | Janine Evans | Louis Goodman | Drew Jasper | Vivek Lashkari | David Mayeri | Kacy Richardson | Jim Shandalov | Ariele Taylor | Ron Wecht |
| Dean Akazawa | Mimi Bommarito | Vince Dell'Aquila | Marc Evans | Richard Grant | Marlene Jex | Chris Laszcz-Davis | Yoni Mayeri | Bill Ricks | Brittany Simmons | Jeremy Tieman | Sue Wecht |
| David Anderson | Barbara Breslau | Kathleen Dell'Aquila | Mike Evans | Scott Hamilton | Leslie Johnson | Michael Leavitt | Declan McManus | Nina Ricks | Derek Simmons | Laura Tieman | Bob West |
| Sandy Anderson | Eduardo Cervantes | Karyn DeMartini | Bob Finch | Bob Hartman | Emily Jorgens | Bailey Lee | John McManus | Marti Roach | Sharon Simpson | Shaheen Touse | Gloria Yruel |
| Kahn | Karen Cervantes | Bill Denny | Yem Ling Fong | Bob Hartman | Lisa Jorgens | Lorna Lee | Peter Metzner | Sandy Roadcap | Daron Smith | Lynn Trowbridge | Jane Zuercher |
| Angsupanich | David Clarke | Carmel Dewies | Cate Foy | Bailey Hartmeyer | Allison Jung | Pamela Lee | Joyce Nelson | Conor Roemer | Mollie Smith | Bianca Tung | Mark Zuercher |
| Sam Ayers | Judy Clayton | Antonio Diaz | Matt Foy | Rosarie Hartmeyer | Joel Jung | Paul Legallet | Larry Olson | Erin Roemer | Nolan Smith | Corinne Tung | Brad Zwahlen |
| Penny Baird | Bill Cosden | Jeanne Dowell | Stobhan Connolly | Greg Hasler | Jim Keefe | Joel Libove | Sonia Ordenez | Judge Tom Rogers, retired | Pam Smith | Eddie Tung | Tanner Zwahlen |
| Allison Banisadr | Jesse Crews | Shirley Dudley | Foy | Necia Hasler | Sandy Keefe | Ken Light | Laura Patton | Dennis Rowland | Steve Smith | Gregg Vignos | Tina Zwahlen |
| John (Hosseini) | Ellen Dale | Jim Eastman | Bob Frank | Helen Hasselman | Janet Kotowski | Annette Linney | Norm Pease | Maria Rowland | Andy Sorenson | Margie Vignos | Tyler Zwahlen |
| Banisadr | Bob Daoro | Kathy Eastman | Helen Frank | Charles Horne | John Kotowski | Mike Linney | Betsy Ream | Alan Sachs | Clint Stefan | Glenn Wallace | |
| Cindy Barber | Joan Daoro | Tom Eggertsen | Glen Gagon | Marcia Horne | Linda Landau | Charlie MacNulty | Dana Ream | Lynne Saldinger | Alan Sachs | Pamela Stefan | Kyle Wallace |
| Dave Bennion | Darlene Davidge | Mary Eggertsen | Kellyn Gagon | Susan Hurrell | Bernard Lerner | Kathy Marker | Elizabeth Regan | Steve Sciamanna | Carol Sueoka | Ruth Strauss | Lindsay Wallace |
| Jocelyn Bennion | Sandy Debusschere | Josh Erickson | Dennis Gee | Rola Innis | LesLee Lerner | Kevin Marker | Kevin Regan | Pam Severson | Tom Sueoka | Carole Sueoka | Anli Waters |
| Andrew Berger | Debusschere | Rachel Erickson | Brent Goetzl | Tom Innis | Anju Lashkari | Susan Marqusee | Pam Rhodes | Ralph Severson | Jason Szeman | Jason Szeman | Michael Waters |
| Lary Berger | Dan | Juzer Essabhoy | Laurie Goetzl | Tom Innis | Deval Lashkari | Jason Matthews | Dave Richardson | Betsy Shandalov | Al Talbot | Al Talbot | Tia Waters |

Roemer's Priorities: Wildfire Mitigation ★ Locally Controlled MOFD ★ Responsive to Community Priorities

Paid for by Campaign Fund for Mike Roemer FPCC # 1454898