# Camino Pablo Three-peats win in annual Rotary Field Day

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From left, Clara Cecchin, Mia Walloch, Olivia Metz and Ella Binney, third graders from Camino Pablo Elementary with their third place medals. Photo provided by Rebecca Metz

and fifth-graders won for the third straight year the 26th annual Moraga Rotary Field Day, amassing a record total of 103 points, eclipsing last year's 97 points. Second place went to Rheem School, with a total of 89 points.

Camino Pablo had the highest participation, with a record 60 percent of its potential athletes competing, and fielded 127 of the record 367 contestants from all Moraga schools including Saklan, which fielded 15 athletes. The total medal points for each school were: CP, 66; Rheem, 41; Los Perales, 35, and Saklan, 2.

The athletes winning the most points were both from Camino Pablo and Rheem. The High Point Boy was Tyler Schmidt, a third-grader in Mrs. Faber's class at Camino Pablo who won a gold and silver medal for eight points. There was a tie for High Point Girl, who each won three gold medals for 15 points each. They were Grace Charles, a third-grader in Mrs. Berkman's class, and Natalie Rane, a fourth-grader in Mrs. Drury's class, both at Rheem. The teacher

amino Pablo School's third-, fourth-, whose students accumulated the most medal points was Mrs. Faber from Camino Pablo. These students and teachers will be guests at a lunch meeting of Moraga Rotary where they and Camino Pablo school will receive engraved plaques to recognize their accom-

For the fourth year, the Field Day had the assistance of many of the men and women from the Saint Mary's College basketball teams, and the relay races were conducted by Coach Randy Bennett. The Gael athletes conducted the basketball throw event, and also helped officiate and judge the sprints, relays, sack races, and the newly introduced steeplechase event. Gold, silver, and bronze medals were awarded to the top three contestants in each event, and other contestants received a participant ribbon.

Moraga Rotary conducts Field Day as a community service to introduce elementary school children to entry-level track and field competition among the Moraga schools. The main goal is for the athletes, parents and teachers to enjoy the competition and to have a good time.



Winning third grade boys relay team from Camino Pablo. From left, Alexandre Farner, Zubin Rajesh, Maddox Johnson, and Colin Doherty. Photo provided

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### Diane Katzman

May 3, 1938 — May10, 2017



Diane Katzman passed away peacefully surrounded by family on May 10.

Diane loved quaint places and beautiful things, but there is nothing in this world that made her happier than seeing her three sons and their families all together in one place. She lived for those times.

She was "hot dog mom" at Camino Pablo Elementary school back in the 60s, which many locals may remember. She always made sure everyone in her home felt

She worked at I Magnin at the iconic store on Broadway in Walnut Creek for 23 years. She sold homes with her son Keith until she retired.

For 25 years she was a fixture at the

Moraga Tennis & Swim Club. She was there every Thursday with her best friends Mary Tierney, Mary Jane Cooper and Sue Tillotson where they played tennis and then bridge and, from what her children hear, had a lot of laughs.

She was a proud mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Just eight hours before her passing she was smiling and waving to her 9-month old great granddaughter Marlie. She taught her family that family always came first, no matter what, and that you always stick together.

She died at 5:45 a.m. on May 10 with family right by her side and holding her. All of the worries of this world were gone, her skin was perfectly smooth and glowing, her lips slightly open and receiving of her last breaths. She looked like a little child, angelic, innocent, pure, and so incredibly beautiful, and then she was gone. She passed through life's porthole into His Heavenly Kingdom.

Her family misses her very much. You never really realize how much someone means to you until they are not there anymore. The world lost a beautiful lady that day. She was loved by everyone who knew her.

Services will be held at 1p.m. Saturday June 3 at Zion Lutheran Church, 5201 Park Blvd. in Piedmont, California.

## Louise Hansen

1931-2017



Louise Hansen, age 86, passed away quietly on Chinese New Year (January 28, 2017)

She retired in 2016 after 36 years as a writing aide at Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School. So many got to experience her gentle influence, English expertise, New York accent, and "happy birthday" serenades on the harmonica.

Louise fully enjoyed and appreciated every aspect of life; her favorite Latin phrase would have been "Carpe Diem." Her husband Neil predeceased her in fall 2016. Survivors include her children Wendy Han-

sen, John Hansen, and Jennifer Koziel, and beloved grandchildren Marissa, Kai, Annika, Nolan, Erin, and Brody. In Louise's memory, please visit your local library and read, read, read!

## Michaela (Caela) A. Brown

(née Hughes)

April 30, 1959 - May 15, 2017



On May 15, our beloved Caela, as she was known, passed from this life to the next. At her side were daughters Megan and Jordan, twin sister Lydia Phillips and niece Rachel Phillips. She was also survived by Megan and Jordan's father Dave Brown, their aunt Laurie Brown (Ken Sarachan) and by nephew David Phillips.

Caela lived in, and ran her own manicurist shop in Lafayette and Orinda for most of her life. She graduated from Miramonte High School in 1977. Known for her sense of humor and unabashed candor, Caela was the kind of person people gravitated to. She will be missed by many!

A Life Celebration will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on June 10, at 3428

Woodview Dr, Lafayette. Please park on Woodview Drive and not on the paved driveway. A shuttle will be provided for those who need it. Please —no black attire!

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