

FOR REAL... ESTATE

From Beyond the Fence, Pelosi Team



Move over
Man
Cave...the
She-Shed is
here

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Why do the guys get to have all of the fun, My house is full of boys stuff and as much as I love the energy and fun they bring to our household, I would love a place that I can make super girly, that is quiet and won't have a stray nerf gun bullet. I saw an article about this in House Beautiful and I felt so inspired. If I had an extra room in my house, I would just use that as my space, but all the rooms are currently occupied so the backyard it is! It looks like you can buy a shed kit and then dress it up to look however you like. I saw one that was even painted mint green, SO fun!! One woman hung a chandelier in her She Shed. It had a couch and lovely flowers. I could picture myself sitting in there with a good book and coffee or maybe a glass of wine! I'm still trying to convince the hubby...I'll keep you updated!!

Check out these awesome photos on House Beautiful:
<https://www.housebeautiful.com/room-decorating/outdoor-ideas/g2614/she-sheds-ideas/>



HOW TO HELP FIRE VICTIMS

and be appreciative of first responders...

While most of us may not be seeing the actual fires, there is no doubt if you live in the Bay Area, that you have noticed the smoke in the air. There are fires raging all over California, with one of the largest fires in state history burning this summer. It is scary for the families that live in the area as well as the many firefighters and first responders. Below is a link to a list of organizations that are helping in the effort.

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/nation/how-to-help-the-victims-of-the-california-wildfires>

Where
there's
smoke...

Special thanks to the two fire fighters above who I'm personally privileged to know! Thank you Steve and Kim!



VERANDA SHOPPING CENTER

Shop til
you drop

The Veranda Shopping Center in Concord (next to the Willows) is amazing. I followed it closely when it was first being built, but had recently lost track of the new stores that were opening. I went by to check it out the other day and discovered they have a Gap Factory Store and a Banana Republic Factory Store. I am so excited to have Outlet stores so close!! There is also a Cost Plus, Old Navy, Sephora and TJ Maxx. They are also opening a Residual Sugar Wine Bar (there is another location in Walnut Creek). So fun! They also have a fountain that is so beautiful at night. Go check it out!



BOOK CLUB CHAT...

WAY more than just a great book

Yes, we actually do pick a book, read it and talk about it....most of the time. But, our book club has turned into SO much more. It's literally like a friend, support group, home repair, concert ticket, you name it resource line. I honestly think that everyone should have access to woman that will help each other with anything! So, here's what we've talked about this month...

* Handyman referral (if you need him too, let me know)

*SRV dance camp and half-time performance at the Football Game **still room if you have a dance that wants to sign up**

Possibly a video of the Magic Mike show in Vegas ;)

*A post first day of school pool party

World of Dance Live Show, Nov 5th in Sonoma

*A reminder of our next book club night reading the book, "Girl Wash your Face."

If you want any of this info, let me know

When you
need to
laugh,
cry...or
do
anything
else



Back to the Routine

BYE BYE SUMMER. SCHOOLS IN!

Alarm clocks and homework and lunches...

A much fun as it is to have the freedom of summer, there's something nice about the structure and routine the school year provides. I'm ready to put the technology away, let my kids spend more time with books in their hands and jump back into our schedule. One of our biggest challenges is packing their lunches. Our quest for finding something they will actually eat...that's healthy...that can stay hot/cold...and that doesn't involve tons of packaging leaves us struggling. One of our favorite items right now besides all of the amazing, fresh fruit is the True Story organic turkey slices from Costco. They are individually wrapped, but don't leave a sandwich soggy or have tons of sodium. My kids love to make their own sandwich on a roll or between crackers. I'd love to hear what you are packing for lunch!



DID YOU KNOW?

The French word for sunflower is "tournesol," which means "turns with the sun." In their bud phase, sunflowers will literally seek out and face the sun. This trait is called heliotropism.

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