



## Wonderful Night

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## Marino Reflects on Immigration, Belonging and the American Dream

Rose Press Books recently announced the publication, *We Have All Been The Others* - *Reflections of a First Generation's Daughter on Belonging, Democracy and a New American Dream* by Patricia J. Marino. The book is #1 in Amazon's Kindle Store, in Immigration, in History, Race & Ethnicity & Historical U.S. Biographies.



Pat Marino

Through the lens of family history, Marino, a second generation Italian-American, explores immigration's expansion of "e pluribus unum" from the concept of the original 13 colonies' unification to the union of disparate people and cultures across continents creating "a more perfect union."

Marino insightfully demonstrates that the current vilification of immigrants, or those that look different from the mainstream, is the continu-

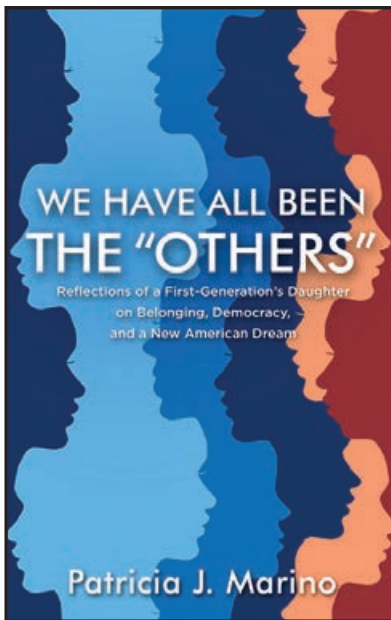
ation of using fear and division as a tool to destroy democracy and democratic ideas – not just in our country but globally, that this is an old instrument in the autocrat's toolkit.

*We Have All Been the "Others"* challenges each of us to guard and protect the sacred trust of the ideal of America and the American Dream and to see that each of us, no matter where we have come from in the near or distant past, adds to the quintessentially diverse people we call Americans. This 262-page paperback is packed with a family history imbued with humor, whimsy

and reflection.

Marino is a philanthropic consultant who has worked for three Fortune 500 corporations during her career. She was president of The Clorox Company Foundation and co-chaired the East Bay Funders, a collaboration of 16 Bay Area foundations focused on neighborhood revitalization in Oakland and Richmond.

She also completed a \$10.5 million capital campaign for the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Leandro.



## Sheriff's Department Gives Account Of Its Military Equipment, as Required

By Michael Singer  
San Leandro Times

Last Friday, Alameda County Sheriff Yesenia Sanchez and her officers discussed the department's inventory of military-grade equipment, what the agency used in the last year, and the cost associated during a town hall meeting at Castro Valley Library.

The presentation is mandated by AB 481, a 2021

California law requiring law enforcement to report to the public what military equipment it has and obtain approval before purchasing more. The Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) released its findings on October 20 and is expected to present the 124-page report to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors at its November 28 meeting.

Sheriff Sanchez said the

ACSO is ready to look at things with a different lens and involve the community to address concerns.

"Yes, this is a law that says that we have to come forth and bring this to your attention and have a discussion, but this isn't going to be how we operate in a 'have-to' type of mindset," Sheriff Sanchez said. "Before we go to the board to acquire some new equipment, there's

going to be a dialogue as to what your concerns are, how we address them to make you feel more comfortable and have an understanding of why we're doing or acquiring what we're acquiring."

The "Military Equipment Annual Report" covers actions between Nov. 20, 2022, and Sept. 30, 2023. The document outlines the agency's  
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## Council Tells Airport: Pollute Less, Give More

Oakland Airport planning new terminal, 16 more gates

By Michael Singer  
San Leandro Times

Last year, 11 million people flew in and out of Oakland International Airport (OAK), boosting the local economy, bringing in tax revenue, and creating jobs.

But since those planes fly right over San Leandro, the City Council asked their neighbor to be more considerate regarding pollution, noise, contribute more to non-profit organizations.

At the Nov. 6 meeting, the council heard a presentation from Craig Simon, the Interim Director of Aviation for the

Port of Oakland, which owns and operates the airport, the shipyards in Oakland, and 850 acres of commercial real estate, including Jack London Square.

Simon updated the City Council on the airport's general impact on the area and new flight destinations. The airport is preparing to modernize its terminals and build a new terminal with 16 gates.

"Recently, Baltimore and Washington were announced, and we have service to El  
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## Man Struck and Killed Crossing Hesperian

A 56-year-old man was hit and killed by a car while crossing Hesperian Boulevard in San Lorenzo on Sunday morning.

Officers arrived to find the body of the deceased man on Hesperian just south of Bockman Road a few minutes before 9 a.m., according to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The vehicle that struck

the pedestrian had fled northbound on Hesperian.

The CHP had not released the identity of the victim, pending notification of next of kin.

A short time later, Alameda County Sheriff's deputies found the vehicle that struck the pedestrian, a 2007 Ford Mustang, about a half mile  
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