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INDIE ROCK BAND, DOWNTOWN PUB TEAM UP FOR PLEASANTON SCHOOLS BENEFIT

PLEASANTON, Calif. -- Handles Gastropub in historic downtown Pleasanton will host a unique fundraising event for the Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE) Foundation that will- literally- rock.

Bay Area alternative rock band Ten Car Train will perform at Handles, Feb. 22, at 9 PM with all proceeds donated to PPIE. Handles Gastropub is located at 855 Main Street in historic Downtown Pleasanton

"PPIE hosts several fundraisers during the year but this will definitely be our most unique," said Susan Hayes, PPIE executive director.

Chris Zaballos, guitarist and vocalist for Ten Car Train says the event will be more than just a performance for the band. "We've been looking for venues in Pleasanton to play for our hometown fans and Handles was at the top of our list," he said. "We all have strong ties with Pleasanton and doing this as a benefit for PPIE makes the show even better for us."

Ten Car Train includes Zaballos and guitarist Jacques Gautreaux, who each attended Foothill High School. Drummer and vocalist Charles McKeag has children in Pleasanton schools while bassist and vocalist David Stark is a Pleasanton resident who is actively involved in the community.

"Handles has hosted a number of events to benefit the community but we're particularly excited about this one," Handles co-owner Chris Hampton said. "Plus, the original music Ten Car Train plays reminds me of the alternative rock bands I heard on college radio in the '80s."

Zaballos added: "We want to bring more original and independent music to the Tri-Valley and appreciate Handles hosting the event. "

"This show is a fresh take on fundraising for PPIE," Hayes said. "No speeches, no presentations- just a great band at a great downtown Pleasanton venue."

The event begins at 9 p.m. Tickets are a \$10 donation at the door with all proceeds going to the Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation. In addition to hosting the event, Handles will donate 10% of all dinner sales that evening to PPIE Foundation when diners request it.

ABOUT PPIE

PPIE is a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation. For more than 25 years , PPIE has supported Pleasanton public schools through a partnership of business community, educators and Pleasanton residents. It raises funds to support student programs threatened by state budget cuts and funds projects enhancing educational excellence for all students.

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