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officials, including Mayor Janet Lockhart, City Councilwoman Claudia McCormick, who also chaired the gala committee, and McCormick's husband, former Dublin San Ramon Services District director Tom McCormick, enjoyed the evening

While all the guests enjoyed the unseasonably warm weather on the clubhouse's terrace and the views from the bar and banquet room, members of the Dublin Sister City Association — president Carol Satterthwaite, in particular — kept the

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EAST BAY ROUNDUP

Livermore

Monitor to oversee Altamont Landfill

The Altamont Landfill now has a monitor to oversee its operations and conduct inspections, as required by a lawsuit settled in 1999.

TechLaw Inc., based in San Francisco and Sacramento, was chosen last week by the landfill's Community Monitor Committee.

TechLaw will conduct inspections about every three weeks to ensure Waste Management of Alameda County, which operates the landfill, is living up to the environmental commitments from the settlement.

The firm will monitor waste disposal, truck traffic, litter and pest control and compliance with air and water permits. TechLaw has performed similar oversight at Waste Management landfills in Texas, Illinois and Louisiana.

The 1999 settlement was among Alameda County, Liver-

more, Pleasanton, the Sierra Club, the Northern California Recycling Association, Altamont Landowners Against Rural Mismanagement and Waste Management.

The landfill is on 482 acres in the Altamont and accepts about 2 million tons of waste per year from Alameda and San Francisco counties and others.

TechLaw will report bi-monthly to the monitoring committee. Its next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. April 7 at 3500 Robertson Park Road, Livermore.

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