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## Woman back in custody over embezzlement case

- **SAN RAMON:** Former treasurer for group had pleaded no contest to taking nearly \$75,000

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A San Ramon woman who two years ago pleaded no contest to embezzling from a school fundraising group is again in custody, this time on suspicion of violating her probation from that case.

Deanna Fiebelman, 41, had pleaded no contest to a felony embezzlement charge in July 2005. She had been accused of taking nearly \$75,000 during the 2003-04 school year when she was treasurer of Pine Valley Middle School's Education Fund.

She had been sentenced to 90 days of home detention, three years of probation and ordered to pay back the money. She was later ordered to pay \$84,544.34 in restitution, and she immediately paid \$10,000. She was not working during the time when the crime occurred and used the money to pay for daily expenses her family could not afford, her attorney had said at the time.

She was taken into custody on March 13 by Contra Costa County Sheriff's deputies and is being held without bail, according to jail officials.

Little information was available on her case Friday. Contra Costa County Superior Court records show she is accused of violating her probation on Oct. 26, as related to a Pleasanton police case. Deputy district attorney Steve Bolen said Fiebelman's next court date is April 24, when a judge could decide if she violated her probation.

Bolen did not have details available Friday regarding the case. Pleasanton police said the incident was actually on Jan. 11, regarding forgery; Fiebelman was not arrested but a report was sent to Contra Costa County to determine whether she had violated her probation, according to police.

Pleasanton police would not say what happened, nor would they allow the Times to see the police report Friday.

The address of the incident matched one of Window-ology, where Fiebelman apparently worked. That business had received an Oct. 26 letter from Contra Costa County Superior Court saying it must withhold from her pay \$600 a month for the next 10 years plus a final \$624.34 payment, according to court records. The total would equal \$72,624.34.

Just a couple of weeks before that, the court had sent Fiebelman a letter saying she had failed to make restitution payments, according to court records.

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