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EUGENE

Apollo Eugene is presented a jersey with his family. Pictured right to left:

Alexxis Eugene (sister), Michelle Lennon (Mom), Apollo Eugene, Runako

Eugene (Dad), and Athletic Director & Coach Dan Spencer.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY

LeyVa Middle **School honors** elite athlete **Apollo Eugene**

By Annie Williams-Conrad Special to the Times

uring a special recognition assembly, Apollo Eugene was recognized as one of the finest athletes LeyVa Middle School has seen during its 44 years of existence.

He joins an elite group of six other athletes who have their Jerseys hung up on the gym wall to commemorate their stellar athletic contributions to the school.

Apollo's coaches, teachers, and the LeyVa administrators unanimously agreed that he was deserving of this elite honor.

In Cross Country, Apollo was an MVP his 7th grade year. During his 8th grade year, he led the "A" boys to our first section title in over 20 years earning back to back MVP awards. In basketball he led the Bulldogs to a section title during his 7th grade year while receiving the

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festival. See Lou

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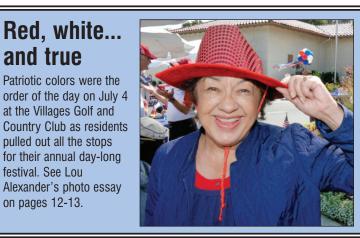
ing his 8th grade basketball team to an undefeated league and section championship and another MVP award. Apollo was a two year starter,

He followed that up by lead-

MVP award.

MVP, and captain on the boys volleyball team leading them to the section championship game his 8th grade year.

In track and field, Apollo was an individual section champ in



the long jump and helped lead the "A" boys to a section championship. He earned back to back athlete of the year awards during his two years at LeyVa. **ASB Vice President**

Apollo was also elected LevVa ASB Vice President his 8th grade year. All this was achieved while maintaining a 3.5 GPA throughout his 2 years at LeyVa.

While presenting this jersey to Apollo and his family, Coach Dan Spencer mentioned how incredibly humble Apollo has remained amongst all the praise for his accomplishments.

His commemorative jersey, which will permanently hang in the LevVa Middle School gymnasium, will serve as inspiration for all the future athletes and as a reminder to always aspire to greatness. Apollo will be attending Silver Creek High School next year and plans to continue striving for academic and athletic excellence as a Raider.



Eddie Money will be performing at this year's Santa Clara County Fair.

The 2018 Santa Clara County Fair set to open August 2

By William Bellou Publisher re're very much the county fair you love plus

a whole lot more!" said Valleri Merken, Fair Manager.

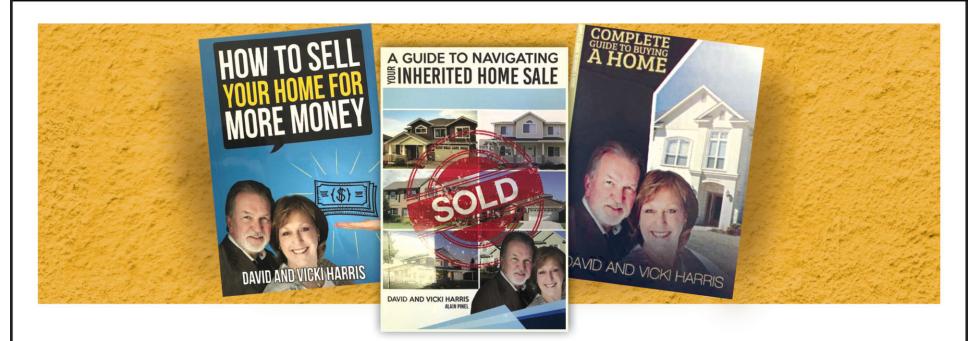
The grand community celebration starts Thursday, August 2, and runs for four days, August 2, 3, 4, and 5 at the Fair-grounds facilities located at 344 Tully Rd, San Jose.

The 2018 Santa Clara County Fair will be filled with diversified events and expanded venues including, food, entertainment and music from the communities of Silicon Valley.

"We are putting the finishing touches on a Fair that will hopefully make our community proud," explained Merklin. "The See FAIR, page 3

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Times Local News

Ten best and worst run cities in America

personal-finance website he WalletHub has released its report on 2018's Best- & Worst-Run Cities in America.

The report was completed before voting for all 435 seats in the House of Representatives this year and major mayoral elections coming up in cities like San Francisco and Washington.

To determine the effectiveness of local leadership, WalletHub compared 150 of the largest U.S. cities based on their operating efficiency.

For each city, WalletHub constructed a "Quality of City Services" score - comprising 35 key performance indicators grouped into six service categories - that was then measured against the city's total per-capita budget.

Top 20 Best-Run Cities in America

- Nampa, ID 1
- Provo, UT 2
- 3 Boise, ID
- 4 Lexington, KY
- Missoula, MT 5
- Sioux Falls, SD 6
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- Nashua, NH 9 Oklahoma City, OK 10 Las Cruces, NM 11 Greensboro, NC 12
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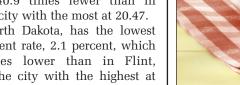
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- 16 Rapid City, SD 17
- Fort Wayne, IN 18
- 19 Fargo, ND
- Virginia Beach, VA 20
- Best vs. Worst

Casper, Wyoming, has the lowest longterm debt outstanding per capita, \$657, which is 33.3 times lower than in Washington, the city with the highest at \$21.862.

Rutland, Vermont, has the fewest violent crimes (per 1,000 residents), 0.50, which is 40.9 times fewer than in Detroit, the city with the most at 20.47.

Fargo, North Dakota, has the lowest unemployment rate, 2.1 percent, which is 4.9 times lower than in Flint, Michigan, the city with the highest at 10.3 percent.

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Fair

Continued from page 1 Fair will host special event days, which include Thursday night's "Out at the Fair," Saturday's celebration of Indian Independence, Swades, and a pair of big arena concerts featuring top acts from Mexico on Friday and Sunday.

And Saturday night in the arena is for Rock n Rollers as the Fair plays host to Eddie Money.

Many agree that a Fair is not really a Fair without seeing animals. This year the 4-H and FFA kids will be displaying their animals. "Not to worry, the animals, an

even bigger carnival, more great food stands, the best hypnotist, community groups on our three stages, all of it is here to enjoy," said Merken.

"The carnival has expanded the rides, more food booths and everything else that makes a county fair a unique once a year event.

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Pinewood Derby 'Build Day' a learning experience

By Kevin Larsen *Times staff writer*

Reach year in the Pinewood Derby "Build Day" where everyone gets together to envision, craft, and build individual race cars.

Most Scouts take advantage of "Build Day" but some choose to create their cars entirely at home. This year's event was sponsored by Orchard Supply Hardware.

"OSH went above and beyond to make this a great event," said a Cub Scout troop leader. The store offered their location, hand tools, supplies, and experts to operate the power tools. This particular "Build Day" took place in an open area of the warehouse in the Blossom Hill store.

"There are so many parents who grew up in tech and now they are learning home repair and power tool use along with many other skills," said store manager Michael Nagy. "We are happy to help guide them and assist the parents and children with their projects. See you at the Pinewood Derby!"

Cub Scouts interviewed

Benjamin helped as Cub Reporter and created and asked the following questions to many of the participants. He said, "The thing I like most about being in Cub Scouts is spending time with my dad!"

Cub reporter Benjamin asked the following questions:

1. What do you like most about Pinewood Derby?

2. Which contest are you trying to win and are you doing anything for it?

3. What do you like best about cub scouts?

Here's what they said:

Stephen: "We get to race it and make it and it's really cool. I'm trying to win the "Coolest Car (category)" and I've got a lot of Legos and knives on the side, and fire on the back. The thing I like most about Cub Scouts is the popcorn sale; if you make enough sales you can throw pies in the Cub Master faces."





Ben and Raj are proud to show their cars after the race day.

Aidan: "I like to make and race cars. I am trying to win "Most Creative" and it will take a lot of time, sanding and design. The thing I like most about Cub Scouts is that you get to do a lot of fun things."

Dylan: "I like how you can race cars and you're super interactive with other people. I'm not prepared, but I am going for "Best Creative Car" or "Fastest Car." What I like best about Cub Scouts is our campouts, because we can interact with nature and build s'mores and campfires."

Adam: "It's competitive and you get to race with other people. I am going for the "Speedy Contest Car" and I don't know how I am preparing for it but just to be fast I am putting weights on it and stuff. The thing I like most about Cub Scouts is the campouts because you get to go outdoors and it's a fun way to have fun."

Kai: "The thing I like most about the Pine Wood Derby is winning! I am trying to win "Faster Car" and preparing the shape of my car. My secret is that I have a fin on the back which puts pressure on the back wheels so the car will go faster; the air goes off the fin and pushes down on the wheels. Definitely the camp out is one of the things I like best about Cub Scouts, you get to be in the woods and far away from the city streets."

Matt: "The thing I like most is racing the cars. I am entering the "Most Creative" category and I am sanding the car. One thing I like most about Cub Scouts is you can play games like freeze tag."

Ananda: "I like it when you can build different designs. I am going after "The Coolest Car" award. I am going to add a spoiler, that's the thing that goes on the car to make it look cool. The thing I like most about Cub Scouts is we have fun activities like hiking." Check-in Day

Tace uay.

Usually occurring in the evening, this is the time when cars are looked over to make sure they comply with the rules of the race. To meet proper specifications cars are adjusted and final touches applied. Once officially qualified, each car is complete and no more changes can take place. All entries are issued a race number and locked up securely until the day of the race.

The excitement builds

The competition begins on "Race Day," and the scouts and their family look forward to racing their cars in many different heats (competitive races). They also look forward to the great fun of competing in many different side skill games such as "Go the Distance, "Hit the Spot," and more. Each Cub Scout now can get a good night's rest for their task of entering their prized car is complete and dad helped them along the way.

Hats off to all the Scout families throughout San Jose for their dedication in pitching in to making such things possible as each child grows up so very quickly in our fast paced world. Don't miss out on the next installment of the Evergreen Times as we take you there on "Race Day!"

Pinewood Derby History

According to Wikipedia the following facts are stated;

• The first Pinewood Derby was run in 1953

• Boy Scouts of America make it part of their official program

• In 1980, the design of the block was changed from a cutout block, consistent with a 1940s style front-engined Indy 500 car, to a solid block. The tires were also changed from narrow, hard plastic, to wider "slicks."

• In May 2005, the Boy Scouts of America registered Pinewood Derby as an official trademark. *(Continued, page 14)*

Times News Briefs

2018's best & worst cities for first time home buyers

which July being one of the top months for home sales and nearly 40 percent of last year's single-family home purchases made by first-time buyers, the personal-finance website WalletHub took an in-depth look at 2018's Best & Worst Cities for First-Time Home Buyers.

To determine the most favorable housing markets for first-time buyers, WalletHub took the pulse of real estate in 300 cities of varying sizes using 27 key metrics. The data set ranges from housing affordability to real-estate tax rate to property-crime rate.

Best Cities for

| Best Cities for |
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| First-Time Home Buyers |
| 1—Broken Arrow, OK |
| 2—Tampa, FL |
| 3—Centennial, CO |
| 4—Boise, ID |
| 5—Grand Rapids, MI |
| 6—Thornton, CO |
| 7—Frisco, TX |
| 8—McKinney, TX |
| 9—Cary, NC |
| 10—Gilbert, AZ |
| Best vs. Worst |
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• Akron, Ohio, has the most affordable housing (median house price divided by median annual household income), with a ratio of 1.72, which is 8.9 times cheaper than in Berkley, California, the city with the least affordable, with a ratio of

15.25.

• Honolulu has the lowest real-estate tax rate, 0.28 percent, which is 13 times lower than in Waterbury, Connecticut the city with the highest at 3.65 percent.

• Cleveland, Ohio has the highest rentto-price ratio, 17.8 percent, which is 4.7 times higher than in San Mateo, California, the city with the lowest at 3.8 percent.

• Shreveport, Louisiana, has the lowest average energy cost per household, \$109.48, which is four times lower than in Honolulu, the city with the highest at \$432.62.

To view the full report and your city's rank, please visit:

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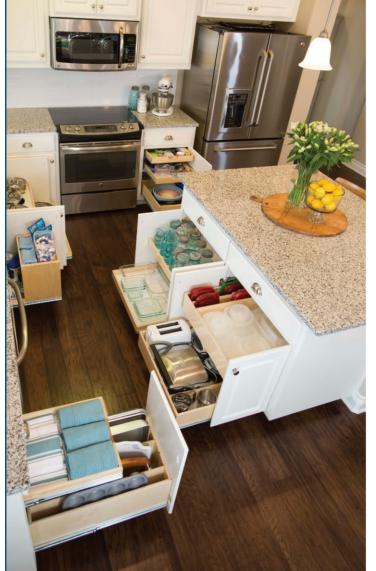
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Annual budget a priority for Supervisors

By Supervisor Dave Cortese Special to the Times

ne of the most important things we do as Santa Clara County Supervisors is to review and approve the annual budget that fuels the programs and services that directly help our residents.

In that sense, the 2018-19 Budget, which was approved by the Board and took effect on July 1, is much more than

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an accounting and planning document. It's a life line for thousands of residents, including children, seniors and veterans, who need the County's safety net services, such as psychical and mental health care; food, housing and legal assistance; job training; and supportive services for homeless individuals and families. Many of these services are provided through partnerships with our community organizations and agencies.

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The adopted budget for the fiscal year 2018-19 authorizes spending of \$7 billion, which includes all services, operations, reserves and improve-

ments to our facilities and parks. Our General Fund budget is \$3.5 billion, which covers most of our spending plan, including employees' salaries and benefits. We will add a net increase of 740 new positions, which includes positions that we approved during the past year. This addition will bring our workforce up to 19,058 full-time positions.

Just as last year, we are faced with uncertainties about actions from state or federal governments, but we are prepared to face them by

strengthening our reserves. I'm happy to report that also included in the budget is funding for our County Climate Coalition and our partnership with Al Gore's Climate Reality Project. The County Climate Coalition is a collection of counties throughout the United States that was launched by my office to raise the bar for local governments' contribution to combating climate change. The official launch of our partnership with Gore's project will be in

September at the Global Climate Action

Summit in San Francisco.

As part of the budget process, Supervisors bring forward proposals that aren't

in the proposed budget but greatly benefit our resi-dents. They're often requests from nonprofit groups and community organizations or the result of a need that we and our staff members see in the community. They're called "inventory items," and are mostly onetime costs that will help complete a project or keep a program going while other funding is being secured. The investment this year in those items from all Supervisors was about \$8 million.

I was pleased to support the budget proposals of my colleagues, including Supervisor Mike Wasserman's support of school programs to reduce bullying and promote healthy activities; Supervisor Cindy Chavez's request for the County to provide summer camps and activities for foster and low-income youth; Supervisor Ken Yeager's support for dental, vision and hearing screenings for low-income youth through the Healthier Kids Foundation; and Supervisor Joe Simitian's support for the Mountain View See COUNTY, page 17

SAN JOSE PARKS, RECREATION & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES **ROSIE THE RIVETER WORLD** WAR II MUSEUM & FESTIVAL San Jose Citywide Trip

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Report

By Dave Cortese



August 11th, 2018 8am - 5pm

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Building Community Through Fun

Times Feature

Caspian Village restaurant offers multi-cuisine experience

f you live in the Villages you know that the Clubhouse Restaurant is closed on Mondays. The Caspian Village Restaurant just outside the Villages gates understands this and to better serve you they are open on Mondays.

This family owned quaint restaurant is located just outside the gates of the Villages (just behind U.S. Bank). The staff is very dedicated in providing you the best quality food experience possible and all meals are very reasonably priced too.

The Cuisine consists of Traditional Mediterranean Recipes, including the broad spectrum of Greek, Italian, Mexican, Indian and Middle Eastern dishes. Also, they offer "All American" breakfasts and other entries sure to please everyone!

Some YELP reviews

"Eggs Benedict with Hollandaise sauce, Canadian bacon and hash browns, Great! Country Special with scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns and two pancakes, Perfect! Athens Breakfast, eggs, spinach, tomatoes, feta cheese in pita bread, Awesome!"

"It's a "super local convenient option for those who live in the Villages."

"I tried the chicken biryani and it was very flavorful and the chicken was so tender."

"I had lunch today, the food was excellent. I had Turkish Meatloaf and everything was fresh and tasty."

Banquet Hall and catering

The Caspian Village also has a beautiful banquet hall one can make arrangements to use. They also offer Uber Eats, Grub Hub delivery and curbside delivery too (where you can call and it will be ready for you to pick up and take home). Wednesday diners receive 50 percent off on bottles of wine served to their tables and on Thursdays children under 12 eat for free with an adult purchased entree.

They offer wonderful catering services and box lunches for corporate events too!

If you want a very quiet place to enjoy foods from around the world with wonderful taste and presentation go to the Caspian Village Restaurant.

As one patron stated, "This is a place not to be in a rush to eat and go, it is a place to relax with your family and savor the wonderful food."

Editor's note: To see more meal presentations go to Grub Hub, UberEats and EZ cater.com.

Caspian Village is open all days of the week except for Tuesday. Located at 2881 The Villages Parkway (Just behind U.S. Bank) Business Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday open at 9:00 a.m. and closing at 8:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday open from 8:00 am - 8:30 p.m. Phone: (408) 528-8500. Be sure to visit their stellar website for more information at: caspianvillage.com

Battle of the Big Bands August 25

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The "Battle" takes place on Saturday, August 25 for the 2 p.m. show. The cost is \$65 per person.

Tickets available at: www.battleof thebigbands.com.

Youth basketball league begins Sept. 7th at Chaboya Middle School

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Teen Basketball at Chaboya Middle School begins Friday, September 7th and continues through November 16th for all interested boys and girls 5th thru 8th grade regardless of the school they are attending. Sign-ups will continue until the two divisions of 60 players are filled.

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survey from Franklin Templeton Investments about retirement costs found that Americans are most concerned about how they'll cover medical and pharmaceuticals bills.

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Even a healthy retirement could have a hefty price tag; an analysis from Fidelity Investments estimated that a healthy 65year-old couple retiring this year will need \$280,000 to cover their health costs in retirement.

"Knowing your options and planning financially for them well ahead of retirement is crucial," says Eric Kearney, an investment advisor for Retirement Wealth. (www.erickearneyadvisor.com),

"But you have to understand how the Medicare system works and what you can expect to pay in out-of-pocket costs throughout your retirement.

Kearney explains the costs and coverages of different parts of Medicare:

estimate!

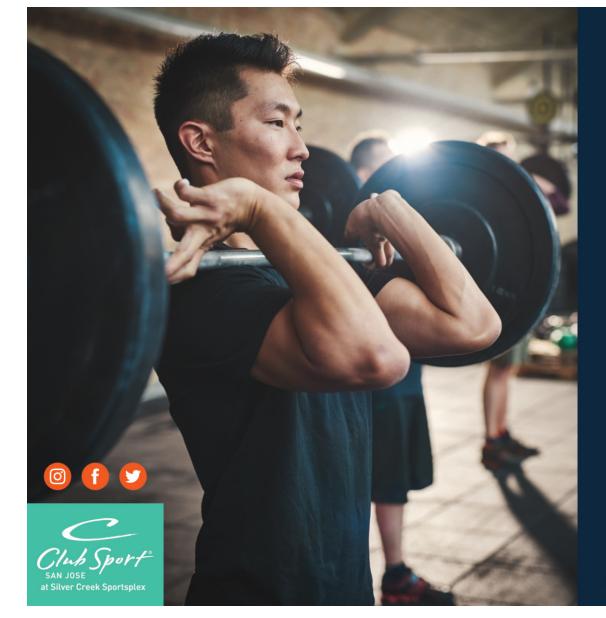
• Medicare Part A. Part A was the original Medicare, covering hospitalization. There are no monthly premiums, although a \$1,340 deductible applies as of this year. "After 60 days of hospitalization, the patient becomes responsible for a \$335/day coinsurance," Kearney says. "After 90 days, the coinsurance goes to \$670/day. After 60 more days, the patient's coverage runs out."

• Medicare Part B. The optional Part B covers doctor and treatment costs. "Premiums average \$134 per month and patients are responsible for 20 percent coinsurance," Kearney says. "And with a 20-percent Part B coinsurance, many seniors can expect to pay several thousand dollars or more out of pocket each year. If you have long-term conditions requiring extensive care, it is easy to see how Part A and Part B out-of-pocket costs can eat away even a large nest egg."

• Medicare Parts C and D. Part C, also called the Medicare Advantage plan, is run by private companies and requires a larger premium. "It provides more coverage options such as vision, dental, pharmaceutical, and wellness programs," Kearney says. "Part D covers prescription drugs, and the older we get, the more likely we are to need them."

• Medicare Supplement Policy. "Without this, the assets you worked all your life to accumulate could disappear," Kearney says. Also known as Medigap policies, these are offered by private insurance companies to supplement expenses that Medicare Parts A and B do not typically cover.

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Times News Briefs

Rosie the Riveter trip planned

 $T_{\rm Trip}^{\rm he \ Evergreen \ Community}_{\rm Center \ is \ sponsoring \ a \ Senior}_{\rm Trip \ (50+) \ to \ the \ Rosie \ the}_{\rm Riveter \ and \ World \ War \ II \ Museum.}$

The trip is a learning experience about the war and how it affected the rights of women and minorities within the US.

Also a "Homefront Festival" will be held which includes entertainment, food, and more.

The Evergreen Community Center has the sign-up forms, or you can register online at sjregistration.com

Editor's Note: The Evergreen Community Center is a wonderful place to meet people. There are lots of events each month and active adults 50+ enjoy Senior recreational and



A young girl celebrates Rosie Days at the Rosie the Riveter Museum.

nutritional programs. (Delicious, healthy lunches each day are served for \$3 to seniors). This Community Center is a great place to meet new friends! *For more information call (408) 270-2220.*

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Fourth of July is celebrated at

















the Villages Golf & Country Club

The 2018 Villages July 4th celebration included a daylong festival with patriotic displays, speeches, food, music and games for the kids (mostly grandkids of Villages residents).

Bill Rodman sang the National Anthem and Phil Strong played Taps at the Clubhouse roundabout and at the annual Flag Ceremony.

Ed Knott provided pre-recorded music for the event and Jerry Saucedo performed at the Bistro Patio.

Everyone has a great time, which could not have been made possible without the help of many volunteers that made the event a great success.

Popular photographer Lou Alexander took photographs several times during the day to capture the activities of Independence Day 2018.

Thank you Lou for sharing these great photos.

















2nd annual SJVRC 5k/10k Charity race slated Sept. 30 at Almaden Lake Park

'For Charity, For Fun, We Run'

By William Bellou *Publisher*

he San Jose Vietnamese Running Club (SJVRC) is inviting runners from Evergreen Valley to participate in its 2nd annual "OneMile4OneChild" 10k/5k Charity Race at Almaden Lake Park on Sunday, Sept. 30 from 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The race welcomes everyone from casual beginning runners to active elite runners with different fitness levels and running background.

SJVRC's primary goals are to encourage and foster physical health, expand community support and networking, and most importantly to raise funds to support orphanages through the One Mile 4 One Child Charity fund.

Awards will be presented to the top three 10K and 5K male and female runners. All participants receive a timing bib, tech T-shirt and finisher's medal designed by the local artists.

Runners' route

Participants will begin running the course from Lake Almaden Park and traverse along scenic Los Alamitos Creek trail, turn around and finish at the Arroyo picnic area.

Activities at the Lake include delicious post-race treats and live music hosted by the Def Con and Singer Victoria Thuy Vi McDowell. Councilmember Johnny Khamis and State Assemblyman Ash Kalra are both expected to participate in the event.

SJVRC was founded by Luong Le in 2016 with just

Derby

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Construction

The Scout is given a block of wood made of pine, four plastic wheels, and four nails. The finished car must use all nine pieces, must not exceed a certain weight (usually five ounces (150 grams)),must not exceed a certain width (usually 2-3/4 inches (7 cm))and length (usually 7 inches (17.8 cm))and must fit on the track used by that particular scout pack.

Blocks can be whittled with a hand knife, bandsaw, or Dremel carving tool for major shaping. Decals can be bought at scout shops or hobby shops. It is also possible to use standard model decals to replicate actual racing cars such as Richard Petty's 1970 Plymouth Superbird. The original style is based on open-wheel cars; however, fender or body kits are available, or wheels can simply be placed outboard of the body.

Other than the previous basic design rules, the Cub Scout is able to carve and decorate the car as he chooses. Many Cub Scouts also add weights to the final design to bring the car to the maximum allowable weight; coins and glued-in lead or steel pieces are common ways to add weight. Cars typically vary from unfinished blocks to whimsical objects, to accurate replicas of actual cars. Graphite is usually the only lubricant allowed, and it often helps to polish the provided nails.

The track usually has two to six lanes and slopes down to the ground, since the cars are powered by gravity. Tracks may be owned by the pack or rented. The race is run in heats, giving every car the chance to run on each lane.

The racers can be grouped with others from the same rank (Tiger Cubs, Wolf Cubs, Bear Cubs, etc.), or can compete against the pack as a whole.



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four members. Today, there are more than 600 members. "I founded the running club as a great way for everyone to have fun and to achieve healthy results and also contribute to charity," said Le.

All proceeds go to OneChild4OneMile charity fund, 501(c)(3). The SJVRC, a non-profit organization was established in September 2016 and consists of compassionate volunteers to raise funds for the unprivileged children throughout Vietnam and promote running within the Vietnamese community.

To register for the 15K and 10K Charity Race at Almaden Lake Park, visit sjvrc.org and click on event. Due to the safety of all runners, dogs and strollers are not allowed.

Editor's note: The SJVRC Running Club meets every Sunday morning at 7 a.m. at the parking lot at 5968 Silver Creek Valley Road, San Jose, CA 95138 to begin their run along Hellyer Park Trail.



Times **Feature**



Our Library staff could go to Disneyland, but we choose to bring Summer Learning and Imagination to you at Evergreen.

OFF THE SHELF Summer fun at the library

S ummer is here, with good weather, good reading, and changes in the air. Pretty soon, August will be here, but let's enjoy a little more Summer Learning before "Back to School" sneaks up on us!

Evergreen Branch library invites you to sign up your children for one of our upcoming math or technology programs: Your 4 to 8 year old child may register for the Bay Area Discovery Museum's handson "Stretch It, Shape It, Grow It" program, Tuesday, July 24, 3:30 p.m. Choose "Coding without Computers" to introduce your children ages 5 and up to coding principles using a fun, unplugged approach that needs no internet connection, Tuesday, July 31, 3:30 p.m. Participants will lead a puppy playing piece across a game board to a ball. Writing the puppy's detailed instructions models making a computer program.

Older children can try a Hovercraft workshop at Evergreen, Thursday, August 2, 2:30 p.m. Children will do a hovercraft-related activity, learn about design, and find out about The Tech Museum's annual challenge to teams of 4th-12th graders to use the engineering design process to solve a real-world problem.

Village Square branch invites



aspiring engineers ages 5 and up to try their STEAMstacks: Structural Engineering Challenge: Build the tallest, most stable, and biggest structure using only three types of materials-- while learning the basics of structures and engineering, Friday, July 27, 4 p.m.

Arts are important too!! Evergreen Branch's Shadow Puppet workshop does not require advance sign up. Daniel Barash will introduce the magical art of shadow puppetry and perform world folktales inviting audience participation. Join in Thursday, July 26, 2:30 p.m. Participants will receive shadow puppet templates to continue the fun at home. Meanwhile, are artist/authors putting the final touch on your graphic novel for SJPL's Graphic Novel Contest? Entries are due July 31!

"Paws" in your busy summer to read each day! Whereas Reading Buddies at both branches allow children to practice reading aloud to trained teen volunteers, your child will find it extra fun to Read to a Furry Friend. This program at Village Square, Tuesday, July 21, 10 - 11 a.m. allows children to read to a dog, a rewarding time that can encourage even more reading. See LIBRARY, page 17

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Times Feature



Trash by the tracks near a local encampment.

OP ED The problems of being homeless: Is it a crisis?

By Frank Shortt

Special to the Times ouching on the homeless situation in Evergreen Valley has become a huge discussion. Areas of safety, health and sanitation have upset many of our residents.

First and foremost, let us remember that in any human situation there are rules and regulations that should be adhered to.

If there are as many homeless out there who are having mental health issues, as we are led to believe from reading our newspapers, then how can we expect those individuals to follow any set of rules and regulations?

They are almost to the stage of being involuntary in their thinking and depend wholly upon instinct for survival. This also holds true as they invent ways to gain the means of obtaining their particular sedative, See HOMELESSNESS, page 18

Library

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By the time you read this article, over 5000 participants will have completed the city's Summer Learning program, earning two free books each! Many more new children's books and Young Adult fiction are waiting for those who finish their reading this week! Although Leigh Dewis and Edith Sutterlin bid you farewell as we are transferring to Vineland and East San José Carnegie Branches, we still encourage all Evergreen Summer Learning Challenge participants to log your reading as branches compete for successful community engagement!

As this annual program comes to a close, stop in any branch to pick up your prizes for the reading time you logged by July 31. Adults, if you can log your full eight hours before July 28, you will have exponentially more free books from which to choose when you redeem your certificates at Evergreen's Book Sale on Saturday, July 28, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Additional hours logged automatically create extra chances for you to earn entries into the grand prize drawing.

Edith Sutterlin was a librarian at the Evergreen Branch Library, 2635 Aborn Road, between Capitol Expressway and White Road. (408) 808-3060. Village Square Branch Library is located at 4001 Evergreen Village Square. (408) 808-3093. Both are branches of the San José Public Library system. sjpl.org.

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Whisman School District Mobile Nutrition Program. Here are some of the items that I proposed that were funded:

The design and planning of an exhibit at the Tech Museum's future Tech Center for Sustainability.

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• Restorative Justice services for the Center for **Restorative Practices.**

• Help for the Youth Science Institute to raise funds to sustain the organization for the future.

• Crisis intervention services for victims of domestic violence through Next Door Solutions.

For details or questions about the budget or any other issues, please call my office at 408-299-5030 or email me at dave.cortese@bos.sccgov.org.





Times Feature

Homelessness

Continued from previous page and a bite to eat, if they still eat!

It has been established that homelessness is brought on by several problems that exist in our society. Some say it is a mental health issue. Some say it is brought on by drug and alcohol abuse, probably from an early age.

Regardless of the cause, it is a present problem. Recent news articles have shown the homeless being kicked by irate individuals. Another man in Oakland became so irate, as he tried and tried to help one individual, that he took the man's belongings and threw them in the lake when he saw no improvement!

Most statements that have appeared continue to mention the problem of homelessness. Few people have made suggestions as to how to cure the problem. Here are some statements that magnify the problem:

"This morning as I walked my dog I saw a man using one of the trash cans as a toilet. I felt compassion for the man as it looked as though he was struggling. The encampments erected by the homeless have created a critical health and safety issue. Not only is there a Health and Safety issue in the encampments, but also in the surrounding communities, as well as, the ecosystems (streams and creeks) and among the wildlife in the area of the encampments. Unsanitary conditions tend to draw rodents and insects that feed off the filth, giving these pests a perfect environment to propagate diseases." The world's most destructive pandemics were a result of poor hygiene and inadequate sanitation propagated by infected rats and mice."

Another statement suggested: "Throw those bums in suits (politicians) out by voting them out of cities, counties, and the state!" Radical! But when nothing else works, we should vote the old system out and vote for the locals that know the problem and have a solution to the problem without raising taxes to fix the problem that has happened year after year! To this was replied, "You are right, voting them out is part of the solution but only if the newly elected officials make homelessness a crisis, as it surely is! When the homeless use a garbage can for a toilet and have to wipe with a McDonald's bag, it is totally ironic!" Do those in office have to do this? Maybe if they had to it would speed up a solution to the problem!

Another replied, "There has been over 500 million dollars allotted to handle the homeless problem, but I don't see much of an effect. Officials keep coming to tell us how that they are working on the problem, but there are little results! I would like to see a weekly report card of what the local government is doing to solve the problem. All we have received, so far, are piecemeal abridged reports, political statements which are confusing *See HOMELESSNESS, page 21*



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Another continued, "Those millions of dollars are being used to have study after study, not to find a solution to the housing problem! It has been said that the city is sending the homeless out to clean up where the large corporations are so that they will continue to look good as this draws business!

Stop sending representatives to other countries on our dollar, to see how they are handling the homeless situation, just do something practical here to get the ones out on the streets clean and sober!" To which another replied, "We don't have anything to show for our money. The little homes idea is a bad idea just another failed attempt to waste money and look like something is being done. We have plenty of vacant buildings to house some of these people. Not in large populations but in groups of, maybe fewer than 20, where people are individuals not institutionalized numbers. These people need a small community that they can depend on and trust."

Another stated, "And yet if you look you will see they are in our back yards, they know how to hide quite well, but when the larger communities are taken down they are just moved to another location, why not at that point be ready to house them. We do homeless counts why not be ready to give them someplace at that time. In Utah, they believe in teaching a man to fish and he will feed himself. California believes in giving a man a fish and he will continue to ask for and receive more fish!"

One lady said, "Recently I tried to help an older homeless woman in the neighborhood. It was a real eye-opener as to how most services are over used. The public health issue is a huge problem. Many diseases are spread via human feces and urine. The City never responded to my requests for information to help with the homeless woman so I am now left believing they are ineffective!"

Last but not least, another replied, "Well, we voted as a start in June, now let's get out and vote in November!" But is voting one politician in and another out the solution? Someone needs to come up with a plan and follow through with that plan! At least we now know what it is that most of us

fear, that our health and safety is threatened by allowing the homeless to run rampant over the city! It will be interesting to see who steps up to the plate in November to address this sensitive and crucial issue!



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The Evergreen Al-Anon meetings held at St. Francis of Assisi Church on Thursdays at 7 p.m. have been cancelled indefinitely due to lack of attendance

The Evergreen Business Association is a networking group for business owners who live and work in the Evergreen and nearby areas. The purpose of the Evergreen Business Association is to develop and foster connections and to provide a forum for members to share knowledge, promote growth opportunities, and encourage referrals. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 am at the Evergreen Village Square Library, 4035 Evergreen Village Square, San Jose We also meet at Evergreen Coffee Company on the 4th Friday of the month for a more informal session at noon. Evergreen Coffee Company is also located at Evergreen Village Square. For more information, please refer to our website at www.ebagroup.org.

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Evergreen Valley Garden Club

Meeting at the SUNRISE SENIOR LIV-ING CENTER, 4855 San Felipe Road (across from McDonalds). Meetings will be on the 2nd. Wednesday of the month, from 3:15-4:15 EVGC (No meetings in July or August) Membership is \$20/year or \$30 for couples. For further information, please feel free to contact Susie . Henderson: susiehenderson@sbcglobal.net or (408)532-6602

Evergreen Valley High School

Athletic Booster Club meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the school's administration office

Evergreen Valley High School Site Council

Meets the first Wednesday of every month on the EVHS campus in the administration building D, 3300 Quimby Rd., San Jose. Confirm meetings by visiting the school's web site. http://ev.ca.campusgrid. net/home and clicking on school site council in the left hand toolbar or calling the school at (408) 347-7000.

Evergreen Valley Service

Organization For more information, call (408) 274-6756.

Falls Creek Neighborhood Association

Homeowners from the Madison and Pulte area developments are welcome and encouraged to attend future meetings. For more information go to the Web at http://groups.yahoo.com/ group/fallscreekneighbors or call Dave Zenker at (408) 238-2591.

The Evergreen Community Center offers a variety of classes and special events, for kids, adults, and seniors. For more information on our activities visit: www.sanioseca.gov/ prns. The Senior Nutrition program serves a delicious and well balanced meal to seniors 60 and over every Monday -Friday at noon. The suggested donation is \$3 per person. Please make reservations at least one day in advance by calling (408) 270-1244. The center is located at 4860 San Felipe Road.

Friends of Evergreen Library Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December from 6:30 p m to 8:00 p m in Group Study Room A at the Evergreen Branch Library, 2635 Aborn Road, San Jose Visit their website at friendsofevergreenlibrary. org or call 408-808-3060 for more information.

Hidden Glen Community

To join a neighborhood discussion egroup, go to: http://groups.yahoo. com/group/ HiddenGlenSanJose/ The Kiwanis meet regularly every 4th Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster (12:00 noon). For more information. please contact: President of Kiwanis East San Jose Mr. Bud Lomonaco, Phone: (408) 903-7526

The Evergreen Senior Advisory

LevVa Community Action Team

Association This group is bounded by Barberry Lane and Monrovia Drive. Capitol Expressway, Aborn Road, and South King Road. For meeting time and location, please contact the association at (408) 795-5855.

Lions Club - San Jose East Valley

This group meets Tuesday evenings from 6 pm to 8 pm for a dinner meeting at Carrow's Restaurant, 1696 Tully Rd. near the corner of Tully Rd/King Road. For more information, contact Lions Club member Bill Evans at (408) 274-4728.

McLaughlin Corridor Neighborhood Assoc. Meets second Thursday at 7 p.m. at Tully Library. 365-1300.

Meadowfair Neighborhood Association meets the second Wednesday of odd-numbered months at 7 p.m. at Meadowfair Center, 2696 King Rd. For more information, call 539-2308

Reid - Hillview Airport Association 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Location: Hillview Airport Terminal. (For information, call (408) 251-4939 or visit rhvaa.org)

Rotary Club of San Jose East/Evergreen meets every Thursday from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. at the Ranch Golf Club, 4601 Hill Top View Lane. (408) 270-0557.

Story Road Business Association Meets third Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at Prusch Park, South King Boad at

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Club meets every Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Jimmv's Restaurant, 222 W. Capitol Expressway in San Jose. Contact Barbara at 373-2815, or email barbaramcchesnev @sbcglobal.net for further information, or check out the website at http://www.sanpedrosquares, freetoasthost.org.

Silver Creek (PTSA) Parent, Teacher, Student Association

Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday in the Silver Creek High School Principal's Conference Room. 3434 Silver Creek Road. For more information. call 347-5830

Silver Creek School Site Council Meetings: Second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in room V-1.

Silver Oak Educational Partnership The Silver Oak Educational Partnership is now called the Silver Oak Elementary PTO (Parent Teacher Organization). New meeting schedule will be posted soon

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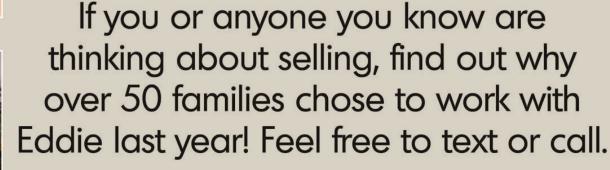
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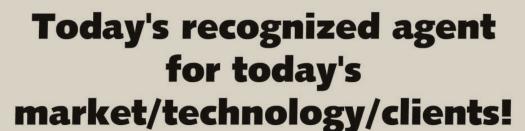












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