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

By William Bellou Publisher

he San Jose Vietnamese Running Club • (SJVRC) is inviting runners from Almaden 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 backgrounds.

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

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Almaden Winery: Historic Past, Promising Future

By Lorraine Gabbert Senior Staff Writer

edicated to preserving the art and history of winemaking in Santa Clara Valley and the Santa Cruz Mountains, Friends of the Winemakers (FOW) is endeavoring to restore Almaden Winery's antiquated wine press and create a wine museum at the site of the historic winery.

This mission is integral to FOW "for it is in the Santa Clara Valley and Santa Cruz Mountains that one can find exciting new wineries side-by-side with some of our state's oldest wineries, still in existence - and still producing superb wines."

"It's an architectural gem with Old World charm," says FOW founder Marvin Bamburg of the existing building and historic landmark. "It dates from the 1800s and is one of most historic buildings in San Jose."

The vision for the museum is to not only showcase winemaking artifacts and the history of the local wine industry, but also

feature educational seminars and hands-on demonstrations on how to care for grape vines and how wine is made.

To generate income, events could be held upstairs or on the patio of the renovated facility and wine storage offered in its underground wine cellar. The museum could be the starting point for wine tours and the site of wine industry farmer's markets.

"Almaden used to be a major wine producer," says Bamburg. "The industry is alive and well in California, but the beginning was here. Its history is important and it's fun to learn about."

In fact, according to historian Charles L. Sullivan, rather than Napa or Sonoma, Almaden Vineyards was the birthplace of Northern California's commercial wine industry.

"On this site in 1852," reads California Historic Marker No. 505, "Charles LeFranc made the first commercial planting of fine European wine grapes in Santa Clara County and founded See WINERY, page 17

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Heavy foliage of vast overgrown bushes and trees guard the entrance of this subterranean abode.

Over half billion dollars released to end cycle of 'house-less-ness'

By Kevin Larsen

Times staff writer

.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 2017 housing survey estimates half a million homeless people are living in the U.S.A.

About 360,000 stay in emergency shelters or transitional housing and close to 200,000 live in unsheltered locations (cars, sidewalks, forests, etc.)

Ahmad Chapman, Communication Specialist for the City of San Jose, educates in a recent press release that "Nearly half of California's 135,000 homeless people reside in the state's biggest 11 cities. Half of all the country's homeless are in California."

Brother can you lend a hand

After carefully studying the problem, eleven Mayors decided to get proactive and band together to ask the State of California for help in combating the houseless situa-

In January of this year, the mayors of the eleven largest cities (The Big 11 Group) joined with those working in the State legislature to ask for special funding to combat the tremendous need. Together their message was powerful and loud. They expressed to the Governor that homelessness in California has reached a crisis level and has become a humanitarian and public safety crisis. Governor Brown said "Yes!"

Their request was answered and \$500 million was directed to the Homeless Emergency Aid Program, which creates immediate solutions to get people off the streets. The budget deal also included \$200

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A check was presented to the Shark's Foundation from Dunkin Donuts. Pictured (I to r) are: **Sharkie, Ted Zafiris, Ray Reale** (owner) **Bernardo Hazzam** (Operation Manager), Councilmember **Johnny Khamis, Stacie Shih,** Chief of Staff to Assembly member **Ash Kalra**. Above right: Dunkin Donuts Mascot with San Jose resident. **Roshawn Young**

The First Dunkin Donuts store in the Bay Area opens on Snell Avenue

By Denelle Fedor

Special to the Times

finally!" was the word shared by the hundreds of customers who came to 5519 Snell Avenue the location of Dunkin Donuts Grand Opening on Saturday, July 14th—the first Dunkin Donuts store in the Bay Area.

Dunkin Donuts is home to more than just donuts, as Dunkin Donuts is also known for various baked goods and their gourmet coffee—for example, their Cold Brew—one of their most popular drinks—sets for 12 hours and has special brown sugar syrup added to it.

The cold brew is so popular that Dunkin ran out the second day they opened. Their coffee can be found in local grocery stores too. Those waiting in the long line had their taste buds set on a bit of everything—ranging from coffee to the chocolatey coconut donut to the Bavarian crème donut. All customers were very pleased that Dunkin Donuts is now a mainstay in the neighborhood.

One of the customers, Roshawn Young, came by after taking her car in for repairs located right around the corner from Dunkin Donuts. "It is really nice and convenient," remarked Roshawn. "I am so excited to have a Dunkin Donuts in the neigh-

borhood; I am getting one of their coffee drinks and a donut for my grandson."

Property owners Frank Chao and his mother, Jeanne Chao were also in attendance at the grand opening. They have been the property owners for over 45 years. Franks Dad opened and ran the Arby's that was once at this location.

"There was a lot of interest in this location from many different brands," shared Frank. "In the end, I chose a Dunkin Donuts because the owner is a small business person—a family business like my family was and I felt that was a better fit for the neighborhood than a corporate store." Owner



Property owners, **Frank Chao** and his mother, **Jeanne Chou** with **Ray Reale** (owner) **James Zafiris** (Ray's Father in law), and **Ted and Bernardo Hazzam** (Operation Manager).

Ray Reale and his wife Christina are the franchise owners. After falling in love with San Jose, they decided to open Dunkin Donuts and relocate here with their three young children.

Mr. Reale has already made a community donation to the Shark's Foundation in the amount of \$1,000. The Shark's Foundation is a non-profit group who raises funds from corporations and others to help underserved youth and their families. Being involved with the community by providing donations and attending community events is an important part of Reales' business acumen.

"I am delighted to be here and celebrate

the first Bay Area Dunkin Donuts and the Reale Family to San Jose," said San Jose City Councilmember Johnny Khamis.

Dunkin Donuts was founded by William Rosenberg in 1950 in Quincy, Massachusetts. There are now over 12,000 locations in over 30 countries, making it one of the biggest chains of baked goods and coffee in the world. In 2013, with a new CEO in tow, Dunkin Donuts shared that franchises on the west coast and especially in CA would be made available. Since 2014, Dunkin Donuts locations have sprouted in the Southern CA area but not in the Bay Area until now.

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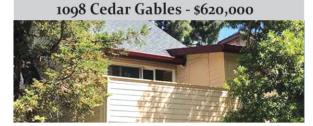








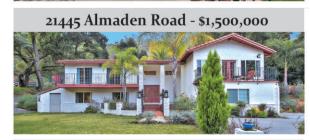




















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Scenes from the Oct. 1, 2017 OneChild4OneMile run at Almaden Lake Park.

Race

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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 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.

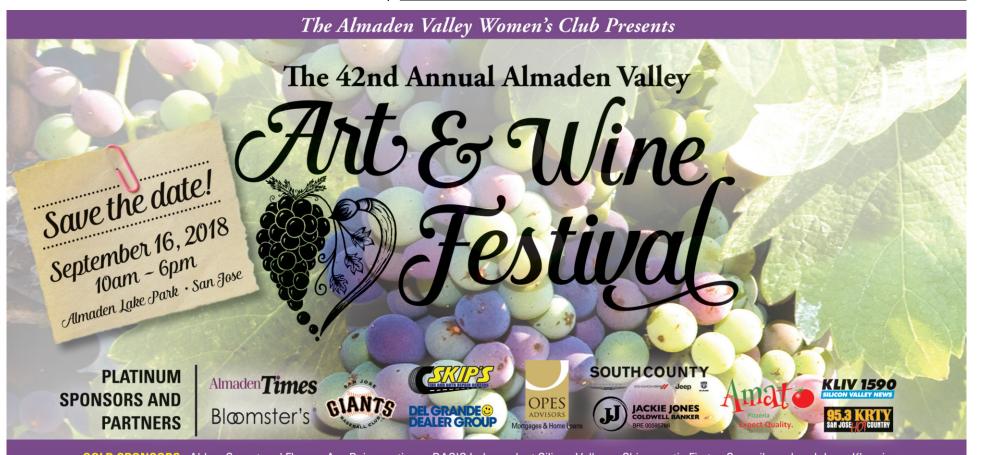
SJVRC was founded by Luong Le in 2016 with

just 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,"

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 and beyond.

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.



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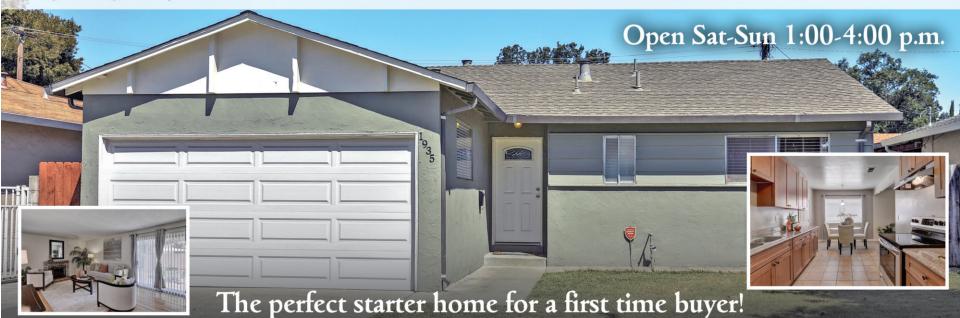
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Times Features

House-less-ness

Continued from page 1 million for existing programs, enhanced outreach, and resources for homeless vouth and seniors.

The mayors rejoice!

"I thank our state leaders for investing in our cities' efforts to confront the growing homelessness crisis," said San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo. "In San Jose, these dollars will enable us to get a shovel in the ground to quickly and cost-effectively house more of our homeless neighbors." Liccardo also stated, "Our growing homelessness crisis has exacted an enormous human, economic and social toll on communities across the state."

Mayor Darrell Steinberg, who serves as Chairman of the Big 11 Mayors stated, "The agreement also includes additional investments into outreach and programs that help people experiencing homelessness access housing, mental health services and other supportive services to end their cycle of homelessness."

"Governor Brown and the Legislature are stepping up in a big way, with funding that will help cities accelerate the work of putting an end to the humanitarian crisis on our streets," said Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti.

"Homelessness is a moral issue that our generation must address, with this money deeper outreach will be able to take place," said Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia

The following is a real life heartbreak-

ing glimpse into how some chose to live in San Jose outside of the familiar world we know.

Life under an overpass

Heavy foliage of vast overgrown bushes and trees guard the entrance.

The dawn arrives and daylight swept the darkness away like the movement on the face of a sundial. The nostrils of the inhabitants stung as their lungs drew in the brisk morning air into their pulmonary system.

While this overpass is not located in Almaden, it is informative to learn that in San Jose these situations actually exist.

Why am I living here?

This is perhaps the big question that comes forth for those who chose to find refuge under a road. Over time this piercing inquiry is perhaps dulled due to a new primary focus on survival as mammals move to the base physiological survival level of Maslow's 1943 hierarchy of needs theory. Facing the need for using the human mind to retreat from direct exposure from the elements of nature, the overpass becomes a refuge, a home.

Sleep deprivation takes over

This trip to the underworld is a place no man or woman would ever want their mom to visit. It is a place where if another human sees a creature from their same species no words are used and direct eye contact is forbidden. This is truly a visit to the underworld. This secret location is next to shopping centers and million dollar homes. A preschool is located nearby. Welcome to the Silicon Valley.

Thirsty dog pals

For those who live outside, dogs often act as an alarm for approaching intruders. At this location the pitter patter of small dog paw prints stretch up in straight lines to the dirt edge of the water puddle created by a storm drain. The water surface shines with the oil surfactants and shimmers in the reflection of light. The arrogant stout steel rippled metal storm drain seems to own the place and stands ready to spit out water at some future storm. This of course will be influenced by the saturation of the earth's surface soil and the playful pull by gravity upon each drop of water running gently down the hillsides into stream tributaries funneling into the storm drain to gurgle out of the spout.

Little Mesa Verde

This site is not a preserve of ancestral sites build by Puebloens but there are similarities. The peak of the slanted triangle of dirt that inclines down from the edge of each side of the overpass is dug out into layers of living spaces and instead of storage grain areas, cans are stacked on shelves. Ladders and steps are used to help climb up the hill which protects from any raise of the creek levels.

The human species has dug in to live alongside of nature in the dirt and under an overhang that keeps the inclement weather at bay. The only difference is this is a long term stay where people live indefinitely. This becomes home.

Keep out!

High above on the ledge a sign silently yells, "Private Property Keep Out!" All of this dwelling might be completely unseen if not for the "Keep Out" signs because to find such a dwelling one must look high up into the crevice of the overpass itself some 30 to 40 feet up.

All Alone

What if these individuals wake up to a day in a place of dampness with a roof over their head that has thousands of cars going over their head separated by three feet of concrete and rebar? The use of fire, stoves or candles at night must create a flicker of light that can be seen by those who might move into the other side of the overpass which is full of debris and old goods from long ago. One wonders if after a new tenant arrived, would they be welcome or would it be like the Hatfields and McCoys where one group lives on one side and the other group lives across the creek.

Fueled by alcohol, drugs

Living in the open lowers the life expectancy of such individuals.

Perhaps drinking and drugs take the pain out of such situations and become coping mechanisms. Maybe for overpass dwellers it all started with them getting kicked out of where they were living. Perhaps a day went by then a week then a year. In time the word "temporary" must have taken on a new definition and meaning that was better left outside of thoughts and unstated to all.

Never before in the history of San Jose have such homeless situations been experienced and found to be growing. It is estimated that each night there are

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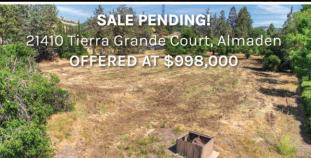
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pirector Flo Galvez invites you to a summer theatrical thrill ride with a classic mystery by the writer of Dial M For Murder for his huge hit Wait Until Dark!

A sinister con artist Roat, and two ex-convicts, Mike and Carlino, are about to meet their match. They have traced the location of a mysterious doll, which they are much interested in, to the Greenwich Village apartment of Sam Hendrix and his blind wife, Susy. Sam had apparently been persuaded by a strange woman to transport the doll across the border.

The con man and his ex-convicts, through a cleverly constructed deception, convince Susy that the police have implicated Sam in the woman's murder, and the doll, which she believes is the key to his innocence, is evidence. With the help of a young neighbor, she figures out she is the victim of a bizarre charade. A deadly game of cat and mouse ensues and Susy knows the only way to play fair is by her rules, until the game ends. Game on!

The talented cast includes Ayleen Augustine, Mark Fanucci, Tifaine Highly, Mia Jones, & Jen McCuiston. Directed by Flo Galvez.

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Battle of the Big Bands August 25 Glen Miller VS Harry James

Do you wish you could relive the 1940's and hear the sounds of the big bands?

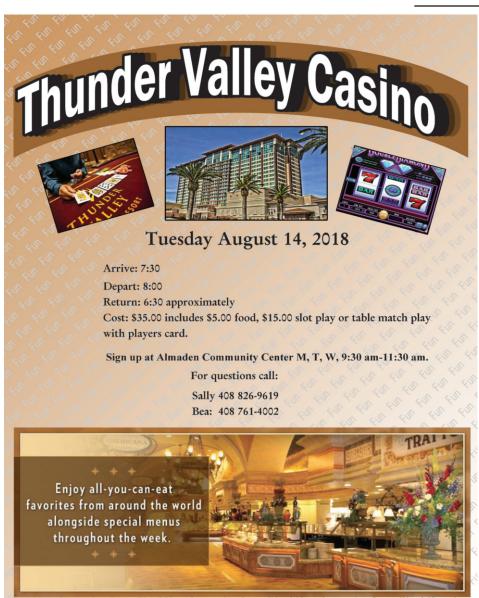
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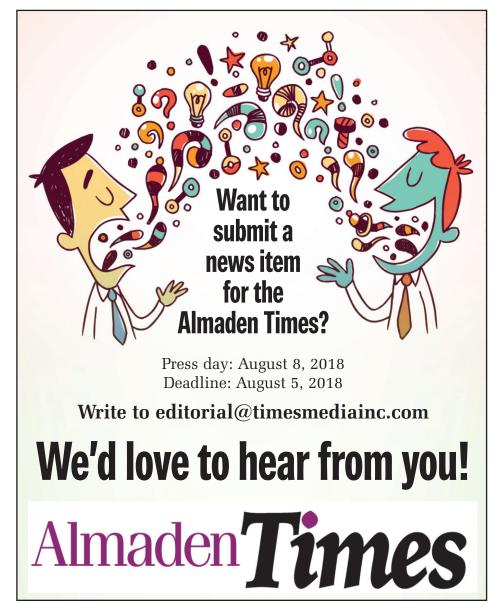
In San Jose to see the "Battle of the Bands" between two popular bands, Glen Miller vs. Harry James with special guests The Satin Dolls.

This exciting musical tribute to the 1940s Big Bands! This show features two big bands with 30 musicians. Experience an incredible afternoon of live 1940s music; take that journey back to those yesterdays!

The "Battle" takes place on Saturday, August 25 for the 2 p.m. show

Tickets available at battleofthebigbands.com.





Chargers head to Peoria

he Leland High School Chargers Football team is traveling to Peoria, AZ to play the #7 ranked team in the state of Arizona, Liberty High School, on Friday, September 14.

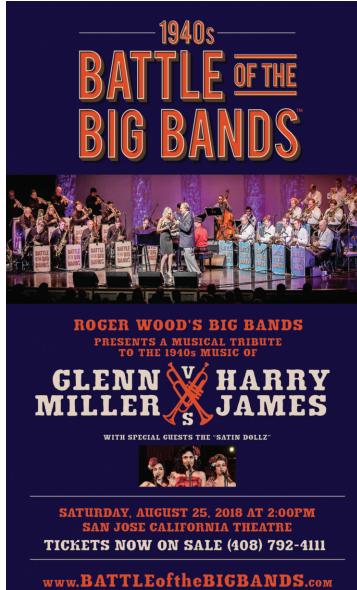
The Chargers will be traveling to Arizona on Thursday September 13 and traveling back to San Jose

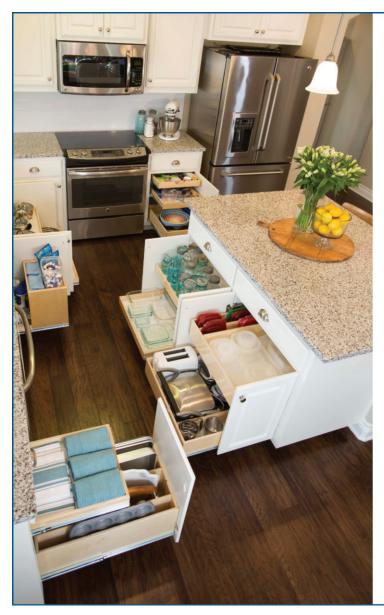
Tillman statue at Sun Devil Stadium.

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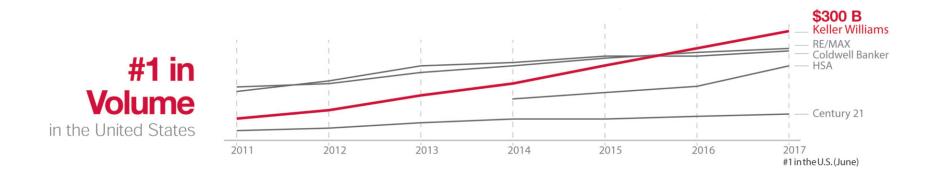


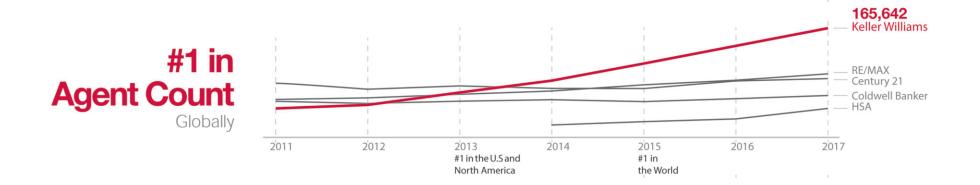
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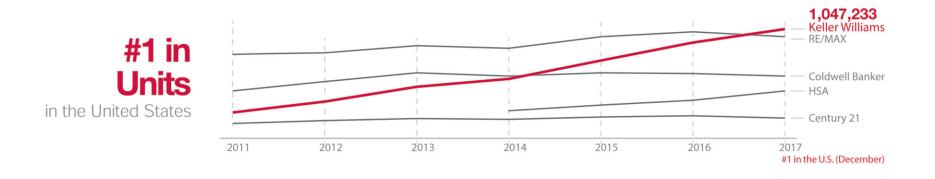
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Times Community News

Two missions impossible... two missions accomplished!

By Councilmember Johnny Khamis Special to the Times

uring my first year in office, I began championing two projects that were very important to District 10 residents and to me.

The first, solving the problems on the Snell end of Chynoweth Avenue, along the southern border of Martial Cottle Park, and, the second, transferring the parcel of land on the northeast corner of Almaden Expressway and Coleman Road, known as "Sycamore Terrace," from the Housing Department to the Parks Department, and protecting this environmentally-sensitive plot from development.

I was told repeatedly that both projects were impossible - that there were too many challenges to overcome. Today, I am happy to report that both projects have been accomplished!

Chynoweth Transformation

On Thursday, May 31st, my office hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on the beautifully transformed portion of Chynoweth Avenue!

This wide, dead-end portion of Chynoweth had been a topic of constant concern for the community because of the nightly car racing, drug dealing, illegal dumping, and other nefarious activities that were happening here. Over the past couple of years I had requested additional patrols and improved lighting for the area while expressing to our Department of Transportation (DOT) the need to improve the design of this part of Chynoweth to help combat criminal activity. After much lobbying and brainstorming, DOT partnered with the Environmental Services and Public Works Departments and we developed a plan of action.

ESD saw Chynoweth as an opportunity to make it a flagship "green" project for San Jose, showcasing environmentally-friendly landscape and design, including bio-retention swales (aka "bioswales") to capture rainwater for natural irrigation. Thanks to their innovative thinking, they were awarded a \$2 million dollar grant for this joint project of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), and the City of San Jose.

With the help of Public Works and DOT, the project was designed. There was still additional lighting to be included in the design that was not covered by the grant award, so for the 2016-2017 Budget Year I submitted a request for Mayor Liccardo to include \$28,000 from the General Fund for LED lighting at the end of Chynoweth.

The Mayor included my request in his annual June Budget Message which was approved by the City Council. Lastly, the community expressed the desire to have a sidewalk along the park side of Chynoweth, so this required additional funding, as well. The City match totaled \$749,181 from the Storm Sewer Capital Fund to leverage the \$2 million of outside grant funding.

Construction began in Fall 2017 and was completed in Spring 2018. Last week, we came together to celebrate the completed work with all those that made the impossible, possible! THANK YOU to DOT, Public Works, ESD, and our grant partners of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership and the California DWR for your innovative thinking, skillful execution, and financial support of this project!

Preserving Habitat & Protecting Traffic Safety

Just prior to the ribbon cutting for the Chynoweth project, on Tuesday, May 22nd, the City Council voted unanimously to support the recommendation from City Staff to transfer, for the appraised value, the Sycamore Terrace property from Housing to Parks. The two parcels that comprised Sycamore Terrace are now set aside as parkland, which will prevent development on the parcel that would cause dangerous ingress/egress issues near the busy Coleman/Almaden intersection, preserve important riparian habitat, and provide for a future addition to Almaden Lake Park!

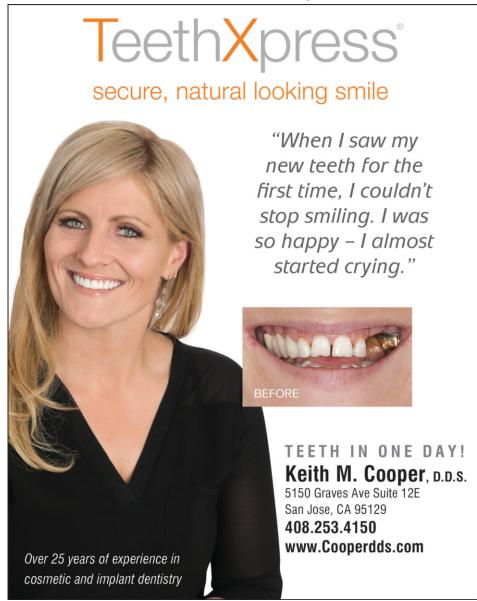
I see this as a win-win-win for park and environmental advocates, safety advocates, and affordable housing advocates. This parcel has a long history of failed attempts to build housing, and is at a very dangerous intersection. There have already been at least seven accidents at that corner in the first five

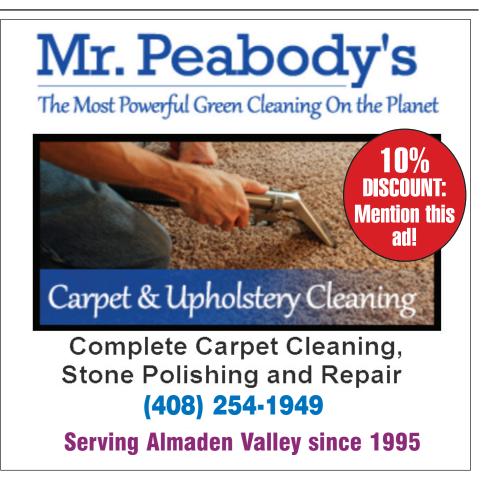
months of 2018, including one that resulted in injury, and an average of 12-15 accidents each year for the past three vears. For those reasons, along with the 50 MPH speed limit, the ingress/egress challenges, the heritage grove of sycamore trees, and the 100' riparian setback requirement, this parcel is not suitable for housing. Purchasing the property from Housing gives the Housing department \$1.2 million to invest in lowincome/affordable housing that they can use at a more suitable location - such as the 41-unit complex being built for seniors and foster youth just up the road at Mesa and Gallup. Funds for the purchase came primarily from the District 10 Park Trust Fund and the District 10 Construction & Conveyance Tax Fund.

I propose a new name for the parcel-'Sycamore Grove' at Almaden Lake Park. Now, with the newly-constructed Coleman Road undercrossing, it will be much easier to access the Sycamore Grove area and enjoy the beauty of that parcel.

A huge THANK YOU! to Jean Dresden of San Jose Park Advocates, Dave Poeschel and Jim Kuhl of the Sierra Club, McKenzie Mossing from Audubon Society, and all the D10 residents who wrote letters, spoke at Council meetings, and helped advocate for this parcel over the past few years.

Another huge THANK YOU! goes to all the City staff who helped on both projects, from Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services, the Housing Department, Public Works, Environmental Services, and the Department of Transportation. Their hard work and dedication, along with their creative thinking and problem solving skills, they came together to overcome what seemed like insurmountable challenges to deliver these important projects for our City.





Times **OpEd**

Welcome to 'SAM Jose'

Mayor Samuel Theodore Liccardo wins second term in landslide

Like Abe Lincoln our mayor is a man of the people and a lawyer too.

Often he will introduce himself with a big smile and outreached hand to say, "Hi, I'm Mayor Sam and I work for you!"

Liccardo has intrinsic qualities and ambitions that help him find ways to harness the power of people and their ideas to build a future which only a few can even dream of.

Awe Shucks

When Liccardo enters any room, suddenly the atmosphere changes and a rare "ol town" mystique is created because his presence is far removed from the word bureaucracy. He speaks in an "awe shucks" kind of way. "What you see is what you get when it comes to Sam," say the people who know him well. He actually has the strength to take in what others say to him.

He talks to everyone with the same humble grace and deep earnest respect and it is real and not an act. It doesn't matter who you are or what level of status you own, he's right at your level and treats you as his equal. He works hard to gain your respect in kind ways and is never short on singere smiles or earnest handshakes.

Liccardo roots for everyone to do well and is serious about hearing what you have to say so you begin to look upon him as not just an acquaintance but as your kin. He pulls for you in your quest to try to help the city with your ideas.

Named after his paternal grandfather, who owned and operated the Notre Dame Market neighborhood grocery store in downtown San Jose, one can just imagine him serving vanilla ice cream from behind the counter as a kid or filling up grocery bags on the weekends. When helping announce the opening of the new Cunningham Lake Bike Park he reminisced about being a kid and hearing his mother's loving voice reminding him as he rocketed out of the door to get on his bike say, "Sam, be careful...and no wheelies!" He also has stated, "I recall the conviction of my Dad that our seven member family would stay together for every meal, holiday and vacation." Descended from the first Mexican settlers in the Bay Area, he's of Sicilian and Irish background. You just can't beat that!

Words flow out of his mouth in essay form and like Hemingway, he chooses to stay away from the \$5 big buck words even though he could easily use them at his command. He doesn't ramble and refuses to take pauses with stale space and time wasting sounds of Ahhhhh this or Uhhhhh that when he speaks. Instead, he links and wires his words and thoughts together so that they all tumble out of his mouth with the eloquence and clarity of a Supreme Court Justice. Just like Woz soldered the circuit boards of the first computers neatly and with simple elegance, Liccardo's thoughts are wired and stated with brevity and superb strength. Often he does not stop to get a glass of water; he just keeps going with his fire-brand ways of tiling his views down and locking them in place without taking breaks so that his voice can get hoarse. Sometimes he chooses powerful down to earth hardnosed adjectives when he fights for an issue, especially if that concerns the topic of education. He has the guts to say it like it is when he wants to shine light on injustices that need to be taken down and removed. Gosh darn it... his actions make a difference in the lives of others.

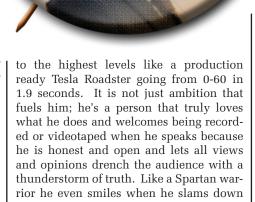
He's downright civil and gracious in how he runs the frequent city council meetings (you can access them on the web) and sometimes will jump out and become ferocious on issues he wishes to be passed. Everything is achieved with votes and consensus. It all has to operate according to how we honor our constitution and how our government must function. He never strong arms others and instead uses the judicial process to hammer out paths of justice. You really get the feeling that if there is something going on that is unjust he and his staff will join you in fixing it. That's the way to run a city.

Tech Dome of innovation in which San Jose is the epicenter

A Bellarmine and Harvard man, seems a certainty that all of his teachers from mom, dad, aunt, uncle, grandpa and grandma along with those from kindergarten to law school have taught him skills of thinking, writing and public speaking. He's fearless with his skills of polished reasoning. Working in the past as a highly respected prosecutor gave him perspective in how law turns the engine of action on in our country and can just as easily wield force to also bring things to a screeching halt to shut everything down. Democracy is messy and a road always in need of repair. Shortcuts in the journey of it are blocked off and shut down unless the path is paved with valiant laws passed in our court system. Liccardo takes law and carves concepts into it like a kid whittling with a boy scout knife. He makes law look fun and easy!

Like Lincoln, he's a fighter for he promotes carefully thought up ideas and turns them into reality. His thirst for good ideas has him surrounded with think-groups and collaborative teams of individuals who help him in his guest to make the Valley of Hearts Delight into America's most innovative city. No mayor has ever achieved more in three years. Just go to Sam Liccardo.com and read the 50 things accomplished with his leadership. Not only that but he has blacksmith tempered philosophical blueprints of ideas already quenched which show how the infrastructure of the city will look 10 years out. He is creating a tech dome of innovation in which San Iose is the epicenter. We're going to have a transportation hub the size of New York Grand Central Station. Can you imagine what his elementary school teacher thinks of him now? Did she know he was a juggernaut of the future?

He's the Captain who steers the tiller of the city with his heart and mind running



Firebrand Courage

Not yet mythic but certainly Olympic, he attends small out of the way citizen meetings and stands tall taking on any and all questions from all residents. That's firebrand courage! If you are for or against a topic it doesn't matter, instead, he wants to get clarity on the merits of the issue and how the viewpoint will affect the future. Who knows, he may even surprise you and change his opinion due to your tenacity of eloquently expressing your heartfelt views.

When he gets up to speak it's as if you are in some kind of old fashion fireside chat room and everyone begins to feel comfortable and you begin to let your guard down and understand he cares and is not a fake. He will honestly tell you what he thinks. He's an exciting speaker because he tells it like it is. You get the opportunity to hear a man of vision and substance, share everything and be on the level with you because the city belongs to both of you. He doesn't look upon himself as a bigshot; he wants you to know that you're his employer and you can hire or fire him with this honored precious thing called a vote.

Just like Abe Lincoln, he takes responsibility if he believes he made a mistake which is absolutely unheard of in the 21st century. He writes a lot at his desk and said at one community meeting which ran late into the night that he was going home to draft city proposals to shape the upcoming city budget. As he gave a charming smile to the audience and exited the room, all that was missing was a top hat for when he bowed ever so slightly with his tall stature and waved kindly to excuse himself, he was truly Presidential in nature.

Abraham Lincoln was 6'4"... I wonder.

No bones about it

This is the city where he was born and raised. It's his city; a place where he uses empathy in understanding opposing views before grappling with tough decisions. He's not always peaches and cream but he tries. It's a municipality with a guy who gives it all he's got, day in and day out, sun up to sun down. He can be extra tough, blunt and pushy but he can upload the charm at times not unlike Steve Jobs (his State of the City speeches make one think

of Apple introductions).

San Jose is smack in the middle of a third technological renaissance and Liccardo is in the right place at the right time to open the doors of innovation, commerce and humility. Liccardo's evangelical charm pushes the city forward and shakes up old methodologies of commerce which often function today like an old vacuum cleaner with exposed wires.

A big political question remains. Can he harness more buy-in across the valley if he chooses to connect with all political postures? If leaders of communist nations can meet with our President of the free world and create deals, can Liccardo find it in his heart to increase inclusivity of all voters by un-polarizing our world with bro-hugs to staunch republican viewpoints? Can he bend? (A brohug is when a person stands to the side and with no eye contact reaches their arm around to pat the person's back as a sign of future collaboration).

The following quotes in no particular order are from Abraham Lincoln, Sam Liccardo, Steve Jobs and Wozniak. See if you can tell who said what:

"Design is a funny word, some people think design is how it looks but of course if you dig deeper it is how it works."

"I do the very best I know how - the very best I can; and I mean to keep on doing so until the end."

"Together we can ignite a movement... together we can inspire the next generation..."

"You need the kind of objectivity that makes you forget everything you've heard, clear the table, and do a factual study like a scientist would."

You just can't take the small town out of the big city

Just like the start-up companies that have graced our Silicon Valley, the best and the brightest team of innovators are presently working side by side with the mayor. Big changes in cutting edge ideas are occurring but how we interact with others and live life will always remain sacred. The small town ways of how people respect and treat each other are modeled. He always finds the time and the patience to say hi to the children who walk up to greet him. He doesn't rush nor adhere to any chained down imposed deadlines and finds the time to connect and speak with the average "Joe." The nurturing of social justice in this valley has the same level of importance as any dynamic technological breakthrough. The future holds bright promise and Liccardo is in tune with the people. His actions show he cares.

He's the local boy who made good and in a gleeful way many now say, "Welcome to "SAM Jose."

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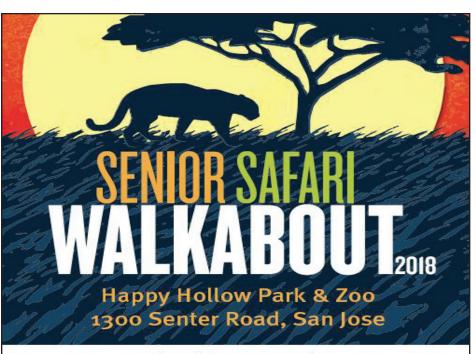












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Free coding camps for children offered by San Jose Library

The San Jose Public Library (SJPL) is offering its first-ever coding camps for children.

The camps are being offered at two branch libraries this summer thanks to the generosity of Alaska Airlines and the work of the San Jose Public Library Foundation.

Students, teachers, City representatives, and corporate sponsors gathered at a press conference to announce the partnership and kick-off the first day of codingAA camp. The Summer Coding Camps gives students, ages 9-11, the opportunity to explore computer coding, art, literacy and physical fitness.

There are two coding camps students can choose from. The first is a co-ed class that will run from July 23 – 27 at the Joyce Ellington Branch Library. The second week is an all-girls class that will run from July 30 – August 3 at the Educational Park Branch Library. Both branch libraries will offer classes Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Students will also be provided meals

and snacks through the Library's Summer Lunch Program. The coding camps will be led by credentialed teachers who have been trained by SJPL staff and will follow a specially designed curriculum.

The Summer Coding Camps will count as part of the Coding5k Challenge, a new city-wide initiative presented by Mayor Sam Liccardo with the purpose to further enhance access and opportunities for free, quality STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math) learning programs for K-12 students.

Alaska Airlines has partnered with the San Jose Mayor's office and the San Jose Public Library to open the talent pipeline for local students looking to pursue STEAM-related education and career opportunities with a special emphasis on minorities and girls.

According to the National Science Foundation, minority women comprise fewer than 1 in 10 employed scientists and engineers, and the proportion of women is lowest in engineering, computer sciences, and physics.

USYVL registration is now open for 2018 Fall leagues

The United States Youth Volleyball League has announced that registration for 2018 Fall leagues is now open.

Practices and games operate in a co-ed format. The league will begin Sept. 11 and run through Nov. 3.

The eight-week developmental league provides participants instruction twice per week. Practices and games operate in a co-ed format.

The leagues are open to all children ages 7-15 who want to learn and play volleyball. Interest and enthusiasm for volleyball are the only requirements.

All programs are eight weeks long and meet twice per week. One day is for practices while the other day is for games (two 25-minute games).

Each league follows a handful of guiding philosophies that ensure the success of USYVL programs.

Every Child Plays

The program ensures that each child has the opportunity to actively participate as a member of the team. No prior volleyball experience is required. A volleyball instructor is on site for each practice and game.

Balanced Teams

At the beginning of each season, teams are evenly balanced The four-person format allows kids to play every position. Teams are grouped by four age ranges: 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, and 13-15. Ages are defined according to how old participants are on November 1st of the current year.



Positive Coaching

Positive coaching generates a great spirit to help each child learn and develop volleyball skills. We train and encourage our coaches to make the extra effort to understand the needs of each player and offer positive instruction to participants rather than negative criticism. Instruction includes learning the basics of the game including: serving, setting, passing, spiking, and blocking.

The United States Youth Volleyball League (USYVL) has opened registration for the 2018 fall program. The instructional volleyball league provides boys and girls ages 7-15 the opportunity to learn and play volleyball in a fun, safe and supervised environment.

Practices will be held Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Calabazas Park in San Jose and games are held Saturdays from 10 a.m to 11 a.m. at Dilworth Elementary School. Other locations include Oak Meadow Park in Los Gatos, Buther Park and Kirk Park in San Jose. For more information, or to register, visit usyvl.org or e-mail info@usyvl.org

Times Cover Story



Restoring Almaden Vineyards' historic building will take years as it requires engineering, electricity and plumbing work, in addition to funding.

Winery

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Almaden Vineyards. LeFranc imported cuttings from vines in the celebrated wine districts of his native France shipping them around the horn under sail."

In time, LeFranc bestowed the winery to his son-in-law, Paul Masson. By selling his grapes for juice, Masson kept the winery going through Prohibition. In 1930, Masson sold the operation to Almaden Vineyard Corporation.

"Local history is important to show us the how and why of our area and where we fit into the crazy quilt that is the Santa Clara Valley," says FOW founding member Bonnie Bamburg. "The history of winemaking is at the beginning of innovation and the agriculture history in the Valley."

The first vineyards were planted in 1798 at Mission Santa Clara by Spanish missionaries for their personal use. "The local wine industry grew and evolved," says Bonnie, "gaining prominence during and after the Gold rush of 1849, which brought many different cultures to the Valley; and they all wanted to have the wines of their native lands. Innovative winemakers brought cuttings from Europe, like Pierre Pellier of Mirassou Vineyards, who put them in potatoes to keep them alive during the voyage."

The industry remained a substantial part of the area's economic and cultural growth until the 1906 earthquake destroyed much of the supply stored in barrels. While some wineries survived Prohibition by making medicinal or sacramental wines, many left the industry. Phylloxera, a type of aphid, destroyed many vines and further diminished production and the number of wineries in the area. In recent years, there has been a resurgence of vineyards, wine memberships and organizations.

Virtual museum

Restoring Almaden Vineyards' historic building will take years as it requires engineering, electricity and plumbing work, in addition to funding. In the meantime, a virtual museum, spearheaded by FOW member Betty Skov, is being developed.

Skov is gathering information, photos, and interviews with local winery pio-

neers to preserve online. She is in a race against time to speak with older wine-makers like Bob Mullen of Woodside Vineyards who is in his 90s. "We want to preserve their stories," she says. "We already lost Trish Picchetti of Picchetti winery."

FOW's hope is to have key historic wineries represented and linked on a mutually beneficial website which will lead them to donate their equipment to the museum.

"I like wine and the social aspect of FOW, but creating a museum gives you a purpose," Skov says. "This deserves its place in history. And what a venue! If we got the website going and made people aware of the museum...if you build it, they will come."



Restoring the wine press

In addition to working to establish a museum, FOW arranged for the restoration of a historic wine press, which was located in the center of the rose garden in Almaden Winery Park.

"The wine press is the gem in the crown," says Skov, "but it was left out in the weather and vandalized." FOW sent the press to History San Jose, which is partnering with them on the museum project, for repair and housing until the wine museum is ready.

The press required complete reconstruction to return it to operating condition.

FOW and the California Trolley and Railroad Corporation (CTRC) agreed to provide the materials and labor.

"Boy, are we making good progress," said Bob Schneider, part-time staff at the trolley barn, "but every step is tough. We have had to drill out every bolt in the See WINERY, page 18

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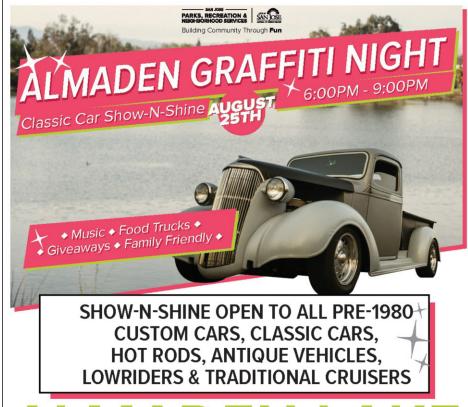
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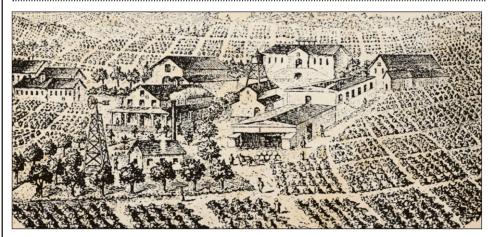
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An illustration of the Almaden Valley Winery and vineyards in 1891.

Winery

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carriage: They are totally rust frozen. I took the major axle to the CTRC Fairgrounds site (where CTRC is rehabilitating the County's Baldwin steam locomotive) to press the wheels off the axle. The wheels won't fit in the throat of their press, so the first wheel was done by heating the hub of the wheel, then pounding the shaft through it. Only a sledge hammer did the job. The second wheel was taken off with the press, but the end was mushroomed somewhat, some grinding the diameter down was needed. This job took four people, much discussion and some serious force."

In the end, the effort took about 340 hours. Three out of the four wheels were rust frozen to the axles and the press screw was rust frozen as well, requiring a liberal dose of penetrating oil, heat from a torch, sledge hammers and multiton presses. "Mother Nature runs a tough ship," says Schneider.

"It would be so great if one day, on a list of things to do in San Jose, was, "Visit the winery museum," because here the industry was born," says Skov. "It's exciting to see the museum coming together. It really took connections and enthusiasm to see the vision."

FOW holds monthly wine-oriented activities that include guest speakers, wine tastings and winery visits. "The social events and meetings are fun," says Skov, "but the depth is that we're working towards preservation."

For additional information on FOW please see fowca.org.



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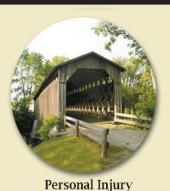
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Times **Feature**

House-less-ness

Continued from page 8 thousands of homeless individuals in our city.

Great sums of monies and talent in thinking and planning are harnessed to fight homelessness by all factors of city government including the county, faith based groups and more. Our city and county dispatches specialized workers to talk with them and offer positive options to their current plight but some of the houseless people choose to ignore help and continue to live this manner. Even the police are now trained to communicate with the homeless in new ways and to work with those who have mental challenges. A key thing to keep in mind is all people have equal rights under our U.S. Constitution.

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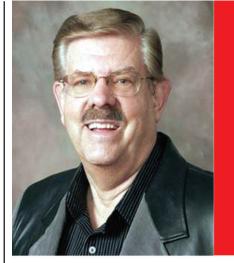
To make a change, the subterranean living individual(s) would need to begin the process of making new choices. A spark of choice to build a new direction requires effort by the downtrodden individuals. The City, County, Faith Groups, and all others are reaching out a hand to better help the houseless in gloriously changing their living and working situations.

This is perhaps how we can better understand the truthful meaning when it is quoted by some that God can move mountains, for to move a person to a new direction and path requires the same effort as moving Mt. Everest.

What is so amazing too is the faith based leaders do it all with a smile and this brings reflection to some of quotes by Mother Teresa.

Mother Teresa stated, "The most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved...our life of poverty is as necessary as the work itself. Only in heaven will we see how much we owe to the poor for helping us to love God better because of them... One of the greatest diseases is to be nobody to anybody... If you judge people you have no time to love them...I think I am more difficult than critical...do not wait for leaders to do it alone, person to person."

Editor's Note: Mayor Liccardo has reached out to faith groups in San Jose to lend a helping hand in ending homelessness. Your local church has more information. For concerns related to homelessness and encampments in your community, please call 408-975-1440 or email homelessconcern@sanjoseca.gov The Housing Department staff will respond to inquiries within three business days to acknowledge receipt of the concern and collect any additional details needed. An outreach team will then be deployed to assess the situation, offer services to homeless individuals in the area and determine any next steps to resolve the reported concern. If you are homeless and seeking help, please contact the Homeless Helpline at 408-510-7600 The Helpline is operated by HomeFirst.



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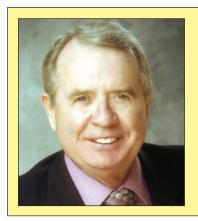


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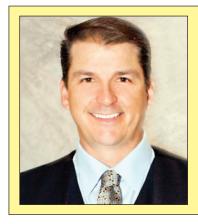
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