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New principal takes helm of Laurelwood School

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

On the first day of school, August 22, 2018, students and parents at Laurelwood Elementary School were greeted by new principal, Kameelah Green, who has been Assistant Principal at O.B. Whaley Elementary for the past three years.

Kameelah replaces outgoing Principal, Hong Nguyen, who is taking on the duties as Principal at Tom Matsumoto Elementary, also in the Evergreen School District.

Mrs. Green grew up in Evergreen and attended Chaboya Middle School as a seventh grader in 1991-the first year it opened. Later she attended Piedmont Hills High School where she earned a scholar-athlete award with a 3.97 GPA.

She is not sure if her records in the 400m and long jump are still standing, but in 2008 she was inducted into the Athletics Hall of Fame (Inaugural class). Her experiences as a student-athlete make her a huge proponent of student enrichment activities!

At UC Davis, where Kameelah attended on a Track and Field scholarship, she graduated cum laude with a degree in Human Development with a minor in Spanish. After, Davis, Kameelah recalls, “I studied in Seville, Spain for five months before completing my Multiple Subject Credential and Master’s degree in Education at UC Berkeley.” As a result, she is fluent in Spanish.

Mrs. Green, who has never been employed by any other school district, will begin her 15th year in the Evergreen School District. She relates, “I began as a fourth grade teacher at Millbrook Elementary School under Dr. Gayle Hedwig Rucker. While there, I taught fourth, fifth, and 6th grades. After nine years of teaching, I became an Instructional Coach leading to my last assignment as Assistant Principal at O.B. Whaley.” This



New principal **Kameelah Green** greets **Buddy** and his mom on the first day of school at Laurelwood Elementary School.

is a wonderful progression for this bright, young educator!

Kameelah’s father, James Elarms, worked at a local Safeway Store for many years before retirement. He interacted with

many people from the Evergreen Community. She recalls, “He was also passionate about voter registration, so he volunteered at the voting booths in our
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'Sleeping Bags for the Homeless Bay Area' A group that tries to give the homeless some hope

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

Robby and Edie Brodsky are two of the many Bay Area residents who are involved in trying to help the homeless through “Sleeping



Enthusiastic young volunteers arrived early to help.

Bags for the Homeless Bay Area (SB4HBA).”

Robby and Edie have been residents of Evergreen for at least 30 years. When they heard of SB4HBA, they cared! They also are involved in helping people with mental illness.

The SB4HBA organization was begun by visionary, Mark Metzler, an advocate for the homeless. Mark recently stepped aside and the new president is Hector Garcia. The leaders of SB4HBA are relentless in helping those in homeless situations in the encampments and on an individual basis.

When asked about their headquarters, Robbie replied, “SB4H does not have a headquarters. Many of us store donations in our houses and garages.” There is not a complete list of those involved as not all members show up at the same time. Each small group that goes out to the encampments every other Saturday has a leader. Some of these leaders are Beata Kosiaty, Vilma
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Sikhs treat this Holy Book as their living Guru.

Sikh Parade honors Holy Book of knowledge

By Dr. Kulwant Singh
Sidhu and
Kirpal Singh Atwal
Special to the Times

You are invited with your family to attend the annual Sikh Peace Parade on Sunday, September 2, at 11:30 a.m.

Complementary food and beverages will be served all day.

If you like, you can watch the parade as it goes from the Gurdwara on the Hill down Aborn Road, right on Ruby Avenue and back up Quimby.

The word “Sikh” means student, seeker of truth

About 200 years ago the writings from Holy Sikh Gurus, reaching back over 500 years, were carefully scribed into the Sikh Holy Book referred to as the Guru Granth Sahib Ji. The words and sentences are said to lift poetry to a higher plane.

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neighborhood. Her mom, Yvette Elarms, still works in high tech as a technical recruiter. “She was a fierce advocate for education, Kameelah happily adds, my parents just celebrated 40 years of marriage!”

Green feels that she had a great educational experience. She had many teachers and coaches who encouraged and looked out for her. “That’s probably why I professed my dream to be a teacher and a principal at ten years of age. If anything went awry at school, my mom was right there at the school advocating for my sister and me”, she proudly recalled.

Kameelah stated, “My greatest goal at Laurelwood School is to develop posi-



Kameelah greets Buddy with a fist bump.

tive relationships with the students, families, and staff, to give every child a chance to shine.”

This is a wonderful attitude as Evergreen School District faces budget cuts, possible school closures, and layoffs of district personnel.



A scene from a previous Sikh Peace Parade. Photo: SinghG Imagery

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Guru, Guru Nanak urged every person to delve deeper into their own faith. He preached the belief of one Creator rather than converting from one religion to another. He encouraged all to seek the truth that is common to all religions and he taught three basic principals;

- Earn your living by honest means
- If you have extra, share with the needy
- Pray for all human beings well-being

Each day at the Gurdwara on the Hill, passages from this enlightened Holy Book are read and the English translation is shown on state of the art computer flat screens.

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All ten previous Guru’s writings are composed inside the Holy Book to stand as an eternal gift to humanity. We believe the writings and take day to day guidance by the words in our lives.

The parade

Sikhs around the world celebrate their religion by honoring this Holy Book with a parade. The walking of the parade takes place with the Guru

Granth (Holy Book) riding in a special float with all following it with respect and joy. Many are heard reciting the hymns from the Holy Book. It’s a way for people to honor the words which give many of them tranquility.

Each Gurdwara (Door to God’s House) has a celebration of a parade with complementary food and refreshments served all day for the entire community.

It’s ok to arrive any time of the day to join in with the celebration

One does not have to walk the parade but all are welcome to walk along and there are rest stations too with snacks and cold beverages.

Why not come up and celebrate with the Sikhs. This religion does not proselytize (convert others to a new religion), instead, this group is connected to all cultures and religions and the doors of the Gurdwara are open to all 365 days of the year.

A wonderful children’s playground is there and soon a nature trail will be created for all of San Jose to enjoy.

Guru Nanak encouraged everyone to seek within their own heart and realize there is one Creator which exists everywhere and in every heart regardless of religion, color or creed. Everyone is welcome. Come and join us!

For more information go to: sanjosegurdwara.org; San Jose Gurdwara is located at: 3636 Gurdwara Avenue, San Jose, California 95148

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Jayendra Kalakendra Classical India Dance group shines in successful philanthropic fundraising event

By Raji Prabhakar
Special to the Times

It was a full house at Cubberley Theatre, Palo Alto for Jayendra Kalakendra's Natya Manjari (Confluence of Dance).

The event was a successful fundraiser for two noble causes, Community Seva and Mital Prasad Foundation, both of which are Evergreen organizations.

Jayendra Kalakendra is an Indian Classical Dance school established in the Bay Area in 1991, which is headquartered in Evergreen with four centers (Evergreen, Cupertino, Fremont, and Pleasanton).

The program began with a brisk rhythmic outburst of the Mallari in the Majestic Gambira Naatai followed by the Alarippu, gradually flowing into Nritta Aravalli in melodious Bridavana Sarangi.

After Sherya brought out the vivid imagery of Lord Shiva through Siva Ashtakam, next came the pivotal piece of the show - Gita Govindam Ashtapati "Pralaya Payodhi Jale"; a portrayal of Dasavathram. The depiction of Lord Vishnu in "Anantha Sayanam" on the celestial snake and floating in the milky ocean was like beautiful painting filling the stage ... and gracefully coming alive. The churning of the "Paar



Kadal" in Kurma Avathar or the apocalyptic horse in Kalki Avathar demonstrating the performers' quick and synchronized movements were a real visual treat.

Jayendra Kalakendra showcased their versatility through various other genres such as Bhangra (folk dance from Punjab); Raas Garbha (folk dance from Gujarat); and Kurathi (South Indian gypsy folklore). Special kudos go to the choreography and costume design.

Another diamond in the crown

was "Yen Pallir Kondeer Ayya" (Why Lord are you reclining as Lord Ranganatha); Keerthanam, a portrayal of the frisky golden deer (Maaricha), or the mischievous Krishna's Kalinga Nardhanam or Parthasarathy (Arjuna's charioteer) in Mahabharat. Every one of them were rich in expressions, giving the audience a wonderful experience.

The traditional finale to the program, the Thillana in Kathana Kudhukulam, was captivating, summing up the hard work, passion, and dedication of the

Jayendra Kalakendra family to this art form.

True to the words of "Vaishnava Jana To," a bhajan that speaks about life, ideals, and virtuosity of followers of the Lord, the Youth team identified the needs of the community, stepped up and raised funds to support noble causes.



Photo above left by Maureen Pramanik; photo above by Preston Merchant.

Planet Fitness opening soon in Evergreen

One of the largest and fastest-growing franchisors and operators of fitness centers in the U.S. is opening their new location in Evergreen.

The signs have gone up in the Dollar Tree shopping center on the corner of White Road and Aborn Road.

Planet Fitness is one of the largest and fastest-growing franchisors and operators of fitness centers in the United States by number of members and locations.

Floor covering is now being laid down with equipment arriving soon. Soon equipment will be installed.



There is no specific date of the opening, but we may see the doors open 24 hours per day within the next couple of months because help wanted signs are posted on the doors.

From the company's website: "We strive

to create a workout environment where everyone feels accepted and respected. That's why at Planet Fitness...we take care to make sure our club is clean and welcoming, our staff is friendly, and our certified trainers are ready to help, as stated on the company website. "Whether you're a first-time gym user or a fitness veteran, you'll always have a home in our Judgement Free Zone™."

As of September 30, 2017, Planet Fitness had approximately 10.5 million members and 1,432 stores in 49 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Canada and the Dominican Republic.

The Company's mission is to enhance people's lives by providing a high-quality fitness experience in a welcoming, non-intimidating environment, which we call the Judgement Free Zone®. More than 95 percent of Planet Fitness stores are owned and operated by independent business men and women. The fitness club was founded in 1992.



**Join us for complementary food, refreshments and more. Parade starts at 11:30 a.m.
To get here take Quimby road up to the hills and turn right on Gurdwara Avenue.**



18th Annual Antique Autos in History Park

By Allan J. Greenberg
Special to the Times

The Antique Autos event returns to History Park in San Jose for the 18th year on Sunday, September 23 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

As in previous years, the event offers every member of the family something to see and do.

The event opens with a dance performance in front of the Pacific Hotel. This is followed by a new event, skits by the Portraits of the Past. And as in previous years, Toot Sweet Jazz Band will play music from the '20s and '30s. And on the grass area between the Pacific Hotel and the Empire Fire House, demonstrations and displays of early day crafts and collectibles will be presented.

For antique auto enthusiasts, the streets of History Park will be covered with up to 200 vehicles from the late 1800s to 1945. This year the featured vehicle is Packard. Some other rare antique autos will be on display in the Park, such as Stutz, Pierce Arrow, Mitchell, Detroit Electric, Studebaker, Rio and Franklin to mention a few.

On display again this year will be the first auto produced in the city of San Jose -- an 1899 Osen & Hunt.

During the event, visitors to the Park will be entertained by a strolling Barbershop Quartet. Strolling also are many participants and visitors dressed in period clothing including members of the Portrait of the Past organization.

Located around the Park will be members of the Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association showing their early "hit & miss" engines that powered everything including saws, water pumps, farm equipment and washing machines.

The blacksmiths will be demonstrating making tools and ornamental items and the print shop will be demonstrating early day printing. Most of the historic buildings will be open with docents available to answer any questions.

Permitted on the grounds of History Park during the event are pre-1946 original or restored-to-original vehicles. There is no registration required or fee to enter for participants.

The fee for visitors to Antique Autos in History Park is \$5 for all 3 years of age and older. Parking is available for a fee in the City of San Jose parking lots. History San José is located at 635 Phelan Ave, San José, CA. 95112.

Antique Autos in History Park is presented by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club and History San José. For more information go to www.scvmtfc.org or www.historysanjose.org or call Allan on (408) 997-0879.

Farm to table dinner to be held at Martial Cottle Park

Enjoy locally raised beef, fruits and vegetables

The Santa Clara County Farm Bureau and the educational organization Agriculture are hosting their annual Farm to Table Dinner on Saturday, September 15 at Martial Cottle Park in San Jose.

This event helps to celebrate the relationship between the food we eat and the growers who produce it.

Janet Burbach, President of the Santa Clara County Farm Bureau stated, "This year's event is a unique opportunity to learn about a local historical farm that is now Martial Cottle Park." Burbach further stat-



ed, "The funds raised from this event support our educational programs and

our mission to be a voice for agriculture in Santa Clara County."

This year's Farm to Table will feature locally raised beef, along with all of the wonderful local fruits and vegetables. Tickets to the Farm to Table dinner are \$125. Anyone who is interested in attending or sponsoring this event can make their reservations through eventbrite.com (search for "Farm to Table Dinner by Santa Clara County Farm Bureau" in San Jose). Or, send a check for \$125 to the Santa Clara County Farm Bureau office (605 Tennant Ave., Suite H, Morgan Hill, CA 95037).

For more information about the Farm to Table Dinner, please contact Jess Brown, Executive Director, at (831) 818-1193 or email us at info@sccfarmbureau.org.

Symphony Silicon Valley opens 17th season with Romeo & Juliet

Internationally renowned Maestra JoAnn Falletta makes her first appearance on the Symphony's podium with a program that puts the orchestra on full display.

Barber's sparkling overture introduces the concert, followed by Falletta's own selections from Prokofiev's passionate masterpiece. The performance concludes with Sibelius's popular Fifth Symphony, one of the greatest works of the 20th century - powerful, poignant, ardently traditional and filled with melody. The reserved composer himself stated: "God opens his door for a moment and his orchestra plays the Fifth Symphony."

The Program:

- Samuel Barber: The School for Scandal Overture
- Sergei Prokofiev: Suite No. 1 from Romeo and Juliet, Op. 64bis

- Jean Sibelius: Symphony No. 5 in E-flat major, Op. 82

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Symphony Silicon Valley presents our 2018-2019 Season Overview

Our 17th season brings you seven programs you won't want to miss! Highlights include...

- Symphonic masterworks by Tchaikovsky, Sibelius, Mendelssohn, and Dvořák, culminating in June with Beethoven's supremely triumphant Ninth Symphony.

- Brilliant soloists, including Jon Kimura Parker in Brahms's Second Piano Concerto and Jon Nakamatsu playing Rachmaninoff. Argentine soprano Daniela Tabernig will sing Strauss's glorious Four Last Songs. SSV Principal Clarinet Michael Corner will perform Mozart's beloved Concerto 622, while Barber's dazzling and demanding Violin Concerto will highlight Concertmaster Robin Mayforth's virtuosity.

- Several of the Symphony's favorite conductors: Maestros John Nelson (U.S.) and William Boughton (England), Tatsuya Shimono (Japan), and Carlos Vieu (Argentina); plus two exciting newcomers, Maestro Pietro Rizzo from Italy and American Maestra JoAnn Falletta.

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In November 2000, Santa Clara County voters approved Measure A, a 30-year half-cent sales tax devoted to specific public transit capital improvement projects and operations. Tax collection began in mid-2006, making FY 2017 the 11th year of the 30-year program.

A few key Fiscal Year 2017 accomplishments include:

- **Extending BART to the Silicon Valley** cities of Milpitas, San Jose and Santa Clara. Construction for the Phase I extension to the Berryessa area of San Jose was essentially completed. Since then, testing and integration is underway, with revenue service anticipated for 2019. Phase II, the last six miles that extends the system all the way to Santa Clara, had significant progress during the period, including the release of the environmental document and the subsequent approval by the Board in mid-2018.
- **Improving Caltrain** through the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project, which will increase speed, capacity, and reliability and reduce carbon footprint. Work continued for this project during FY 2017 and passenger service with electric trains is anticipated for 2022.
- **Improving Bus Service in Major Corridors** with the implementation of the Alum Rock – Santa Clara Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) along the highest transit ridership corridor. Construction contract associated with the improvements for the Stevens Creek Rapid 523 was awarded in April 2017 and was completed since then.

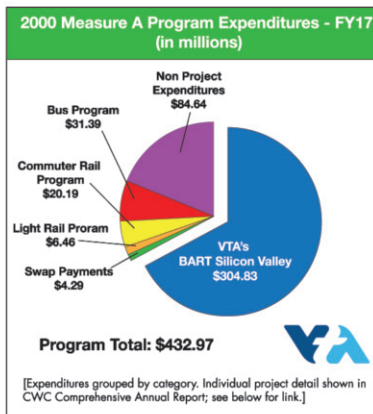
Santa Clara County voters entrusted the Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC), comprised of fellow community members, with overseeing Measure A expenditures to ensure your sales tax dollars are spent as intended by the ballot. After thorough and careful consideration:

It is the conclusion of the CWC that for the period of FY 2017, 2000 Measure A tax dollars were spent in accordance with the intent of the Measure.

Additional Measure A information is available on VTA's website (www.vta.org/cwc) including:

- **CWC Measure A FY 2017 Benefits & Key Achievements Report.**
- **CWC Comprehensive Annual Report on FY 2017**, which provides a detailed description and status on all Measure A projects and the CWC's responsibilities.

Printed copies of select Measure A and CWC reports are available at libraries and other public buildings throughout the county, and at the VTA offices at 3331 North First Street, San Jose, CA, in the Building B Lobby.



Times Feature



Team after winning funding at the Kintone Social Impact Challenge. From left to right: **Edward Frazer, Suhas Kotha, Abhigya Sodani, Nidhir Guggilla, Samuel Brashears.**

Software startup created by students from Evergreen

Students win first place in social impact challenge

By Kevin Larsen
Times Staff Writer

Kintone is a software company that held a big competition in their San Francisco office to encourage others to break into the business of software creation.

The company started in 1997 when three Japanese engineers quit their jobs, “to chase a crazy dream of non-clunky office software.”

They launched cloud based software that helped offices and their company. Soon others wanted to use their applications so they began to historically grow “with flying colors, tons of awards, and dedicated fans.”

They make a platform that allows businesses to creatively manage data with cutting edge useful applications.

Today the company has over 7,500 companies building and deploying over 500,000 apps which are inspired and created by Kintone.

As Betsey Thurlo, Network Administrator McCormick Distillery states in her testimonial regarding use of their software, “It’s cloud-based, no-code apps allow us to streamline our operations and communications, all without adding more staff.”

16 year old C.E.O. sets up company with high school friends

Enter Abhigya Sodani who currently attends Evergreen High. He got together with five other students, Edward Frazer, Nidhir Guggilla, Tommy Vo Tran, Suhas Kotha and Samuel Brashears and began a company called Cesion Software. They currently provide software solutions for small businesses in Evergreen and beyond. Sodani along with the other five decided to scale up a new platform app creation to enter into the Kintone event.

Contest held in San Francisco

On August 9, Kintone held its Social Impact Challenge Contest at the Embarcadero Center. The boys came up with the idea of a new application that they named “Zuriel.” Sodani said the application evolved because they saw,

“shortcomings in the American educational system.” He stated, “Many students are subject to underfunded, understaffed and underprivileged schools.”

Cesion CTO (Chief Technology Officer), Edward Frazer added, “The lack of resources has left many students unable to compete with an increasingly competitive world after graduation.”

“We noticed a problem in our schools. Students weren’t putting in the work to succeed because they never saw the output of their education. Teachers didn’t have the patience nor money to work with these classes. That’s why we created “Zuriel” – to motivate students by giving them a reward for their hard work and to give teachers what they need to effectively run a classroom,” said Suhas Kotha (Lead Developer).

The Zuriel application is invented

The Zuriel platform (software application), states Sodani, “aims to increase school funding while encouraging students to improve their academic performance and retention of knowledge.” It works by having local businesses pledge donations to schools on the condition that good academic performance is shown by each individual student. The students log into the Zuriel platform and answer a series of questions related to their school studies. If they show good answers then they earn the monies pledged to the school from the tax deductible donation awarded by the local businesses.

Sodani continued, “Students who excel can win prizes too. It also fosters a sense of community and responsibility for each person’s commitment to their education. It helps the businesses better connect and identify their services to the community and connect with future employees.”

Drumroll please

Over a hundred groups participated in the first round of entering to win the Kintone prize in an on-line competition. Then the field was narrowed down to about ten teams that would go to San Francisco to present their software creation to gain votes from business professionals, community members, non-profit leaders, software professionals and more. The winners were decided upon how

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many votes (a poll) their team got from the audience as a whole.

“We offered them a treasure chest which could be filled up with school donations and unlocked if the students scored well on the questions. The concept was that the students and the business contacts would both get joy in seeing problems solved with the use of our application platform. Who knows, if it grows we may look into implementing it on the Kintone platform someday, but that day is in the future,” said Sodani.

“I’m happy we won but I’m more excited to see where we take Zuriel from here,” said Nidhir Guggilla (Vice President of the company).

Sodani went on to say, “It was an amazing experience. After our presentation the audience listened to and voted on all the team software inventions. When the votes were tallied up we got the most votes so we won. What was so great in the experience was we got to present our ideas to similarly minded people and on a larger scale, we gained experience on how to go about presenting actual start up software company ideas to the real world.”

The six high school students proudly accept check

They took home over \$6,000 which will allow them to fine tune and scale up their platform application. They used tech to impact the Bay Area and beyond



in positive ways.

Second place winner was “Resilient Wellness,” a platform that used blockchain technology to give patients with chronic illnesses access to Eastern and Western healthcare solutions.

Third runner up was “Zeusjuice,” which is an app that lets people (especially the house-less) find public outlets nearby.

The Kinstone Social Impact Challenge event was made possible with thanks from; techsoup, WeWork, Caravan Studios, and Social Enterprise Alliance. One can websearch the name Kintone and read about how the company also helps non-profits with the miracle of their cloud software which contains unique attributes that help businesses and other services run well.

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How to lower vet bills and promote wellness in pets

By Dr. Raj Singh

Special to the Times

A trip to your vet could cost you an arm and leg especially if your pet has a medical emergency which can take a toll on any family's finances.

I would like to explain some easy ways to save money at your vet while promoting health and wellness of your pet.

1. Preventive care: If your vet suggests preventive care like vaccinations, dental cleanings including brushing, grooming, flea and tick control, heartworm prevention medication etc., imagine how much you can save with the prevention as opposed to what you would be spending to treat all the diseases caused without prevention.

2. Annual/bi-annual exams: This can establish a benchmark for your pet's health so problems can be found sooner and treated early. Some vet clinics/hospitals offer discounts or even free exams hence encouraging pet owners to bring in their pets to treat certain issues before they become hard to treat. So call your local vet to inquire to see what they have to offer.

3. Proper nutrition: The right food is like a daily dose of preventive medicine. Giving your pet the right food can help treat/manage some common health conditions, like obesity, arthritis, diabetes etc.

4. Vaccinations: Pets can be at risk for serious and life threatening diseases which can be easily prevented by vaccinations starting at early puppy/kitten stage and staying up-to-date on vaccines in adulthood. Your vet can determine and recommend the right vaccines for your pet.

5. Year around parasite prevention: fleas/ticks/heartworms can pose significant health risk to your pet so by using the preventive measures year round you

can keep your pet safe and hence reduce vet bills.

6. Compare prices: I highly recommend that pet owners compare service and prices before committing to a vet practice. Use online sites like yelp to find a highly reviewed vet practice that won't break your bank.

7. Exercise: about 1 in 4 dogs and 1 in 3 cats are overweight or obese and that extra weight will lead to bigger issues like diabetes, arthritis, or respiratory problems. A regular exercise regimen along with a healthy diet can keep your pet at a healthy weight hence less vet visits.

8. Get pet insurance: This can save you a huge amount of money if your pet's vet bills are high. Insurance won't cover pre-existing conditions and inherited disorders so it's important to get pet insurance as early as possible just like people. Also do your research to determine which insurance plan / policy is right for your pet.

9. Ask about financing options: Certain vet offices will offer payment plans/ financing. They might also work with a credit lender (like Carecredit) which allows you to pay your bill over a course of several months with no interest upon credit approval.

10. Request an estimate before services are rendered: A written/rough estimate helps you to know how much you can expect to spend. If you think a service or add-ons are unnecessary or too expensive, then don't be shy to visit another vet with the estimate in your hand. Be a well-informed owner on your pet's health condition. Ask your vet what he would do in your situation, and use the vet's response as a baseline for your decisions.

Your pets shouldn't have to suffer unnecessarily, and you shouldn't have to either under the burden of vet bills. Providing our furry friends with the things they need to live a long, healthy life isn't cheap, but it's always worth it.

Editor's note: Questions for this column may be directed to Dr. Singh: forgetvet@yahoo.com; 408.270.4600; Aborn Pet Clinic, 3286 S White Rd, San Jose, CA 95148.



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Times **Features****Classical Pianist Zlata Chochieva comes to Silicon Valley to open Steinway Society Season 24**

The Bay Area's 24th season will open with Russian pianist Zlata Chochieva bringing a program with an exacting balance of subtlety and drama that highlights her talent.

The concert is Saturday, September 15, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in San Jose's Trianon theatre. An informative introduction to the music precedes the concert, and a meet-the-artist opportunity follows. Tickets are available at www.steinwaysociety.com.

Program:

- Bach-Rachmaninoff: Suite from Violin Partita in E (BWV 1006): Prelude, Gavotte & Gigue (transcription for piano)
- Chopin: Mazurka in A minor, Op. posth.S2 No. 5 (BI 140) (à Émile Gaillard)
- Scriabin: Mazurka Op. 3 No. 2 in F-sharp minor
- Chopin: Mazurka in C major B.82
- Scriabin: Mazurka Op. 25 No. 1 in F minor
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- Liszt: Valse oubliée No. 2, S.215/2
- Liszt: Mephisto Waltz No.2, S.515
- Rachmaninoff: Sonata #1 in D minor, Op. 28

TICKETS/INFO: Single Tickets: \$40-\$60. Senior/Student Discounts Available. steinwaysociety.com or 408.990.0872; (\$10 Student Rush tickets available at the door); Photo of Zlata Chochieva courtesy of Steinway Society -- The Bay Area. Saturday, September 15, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

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Currently all items in the store are marked down 10-30 percent with signs stating that "Everything Must Go."

It was stated that the possible closure of the Evergreen OSH store would be in two months. However, each store has its own separate unique closing date planned.

OSH was founded in San Jose in 1931 supplying fruit growers when Silicon Valley was filled with a variety of orchards, primarily apricot and cherry orchards. The company later expanded into a general hardware store to appeal to the general public.

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Times **Cover Story****Sleeping bags***Continued from page 1*

Peccin, (event manager), Mari Castro, Mike Kaufman, Jinky Peralta, (treasurer) Kelly Kelana La, Karen Bonham, Lisanne Huber, and Tom Lance.

The members range in age from very young children to retired senior citizens. They are one of the most enthusiastic groups one could imagine! Robbie continued, "We even have one homeless person who comes out each time and helps quite a bit. Volunteers and donations are always welcome. For example, we get high school students completing their community service, occasional church groups, etc."

The group does not require the homeless to come to them as sleeping bags are only a small part of what they do. They go out to the encampments! They also distribute a lot of food, drink (lots of water) hygiene products, rope, tape, garbage bags, plenty of clothes, etc. On a recent Saturday, Jinky Peralta had the entire trunk of her car filled with sandwiches that part of the group had stayed up the night before preparing for the next morning. It is not unusual for some people to donate 50-100 sandwiches, 50-100 hot-dogs, bags of toiletries (Advil, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine products, etc.) Pet food is also donated for those who have animal companions. The local Starbucks gives the group bags of food the Friday before their distributions.



Above: **Robbie and Edie Brodsky** discuss the plans for the day; below: many volunteers got up early to help.

Every other Saturday SB4H members (and other volunteers) gather at the church parking lot at 133 Bernal Road, San Jose. Donations are split into piles depending on how many encampments they plan to cover. Each lead has a pile of donations that they and their crew take to their encampments and distribute.

Robbie reiterated, "Keep in mind that not all homeless live in encampments. For example, my wife and I stop at a gas station on Monterey highway where there are one or two people. This is becoming more common as the authorities have



increased the frequency of sweeps, (It is reported that there are sometimes 20 a week). One of our regular stops was under Capitol Expressway on Monterrey Rd. but they have recently been swept. One resident reported that he had lived there for over four years.

When young children volun-

teer, they are sent to encampments where they can be watched closely by responsible adults. As of the present, there have been no incidents of harassing the children. Robbie and Edie have taken their six year-old granddaughter on a distribution.

Among the memorable moments this group has encountered is the generosity of the homeless. One homeless man put on a very nice leather jacket that really made him smile, then quickly took it off and offered it to someone else. The same goes for the food. They make sure that the people who cannot get their own will get their share. Robbie reflects, "Someone donated a full length coat. One of the guy's eyes lit up and asked if he could try it. He strutted around, asked for a purple hat. He became known as Superfly. One homeless guy asked me where I was from and it turned out we grew up in the same neighborhood, only blocks away. We even attended the same high school!"

Some of the problems encountered by this group in trying to help the homeless are:

- That the encampments get swept and the residents lose all their stuff. Then it becomes harder for organizations like SB4H to help as the people become so spread out.
- Trash! Some people are against the group giving out supplies to the homeless as it adds to the mess around the areas.
- Security! The homeless have no guarantee of health and

safety.

SB4H is a Bay Area movement. Their only hope is that they will be able to help the homeless obtain the things we all take for granted, ie, toothpaste, clean clothes, and above all, food! The group tries to give the homeless some hope. There are hopes of creating a tent village in the surrounding area called "Hope Village" that will alleviate some of the suffering. That is another story for another time.

We can only hope that SB4H will be allowed to continue helping as many people as possible. At least, someone is trying to do something!

Donations can be made on Facebook: *Sleeping Bags for the Homeless of Silicon Valley* <https://www.facebook.com/sb4thSV/>

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Mathnasium inspires children by connecting to each level of learning

Could this be the way all schools will teach math in the future?

By Kevin Larsen
Times staff writer

"Kids are under pressure these days and they want to be on top of things," states Geethika Potluri, who is part of the husband and wife team that owns Mathnasium located in the Village Square in Evergreen Valley.

"It's like kids are born with a laptop in their hands and they are now self-motivated to want to keep up with the world that is presented to them."

School districts today continue to change their teaching methods in a variety of core classes to meet Common Core State Standards.

A yearlong study by the Center for Education Policy Research at Harvard University published in 2016 showed that 82 percent of math teachers, or nearly four out of five, had to change more than half of their instructional materials to meet satisfy the new standards.

It is understandably difficult to address every child's needs while also meeting the expectations of changing public policy. Couple that with a recent statistic by the Programme for International Student Assessment, which measures the math, science literacy, and the reading ability of 15-year-olds in developed countries, placing the United States at the 38th

position out of 71 countries in mathematics.

Mathnasium is a business (children and teen center) that teaches learners while acting as a support bridge to fill in the needed gaps of understanding for topics and domains of content knowledge that the children may not have fully mastered.

Instructors at Mathnasium state, "We teach math in a way that makes sense to them." A feeling of joy is earned during the one hour sessions and children are heard to say...

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"I didn't know it could be that easy to do!"

"Now it makes sense to me!"

Grade Level is not the focus

A teaching session involves one instructor to a maximum of three children (on some days one to one tutoring can take place too). It is explained that each child will be working on a specific challenge with the tutor helping them to understand it in their own way, getting them grounded in understanding of the specific concept. Once a child gets underway on their pencil to paper worksheet the tutor moves to the other student. "Let's say two 6th grade students are in the same three person group. One 6th grader may be working on a 7th grade concept while another 6th grader may be concentrating on how to unlock the



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knowledge of understanding of how fractions work at a third grade level. We assess and know exactly what areas need to be attended to," states Potluri.

Talented instructors

At the core of how Mathnasium reaches each individual student is the intelligent use of special strategies, techniques and unique explorations into each concept. That's the Mathnasium way!

"They are all so wonderful because they are highly qualified and knowledgeable in the areas of math and they're energetic and happy too! They relate to the students and can adjust to communicate in ways that reach the different learning styles of each child. We have some students who attend high school that work as tutors and they are masters at math because they have passed college courses too. Most important is they all show empathy and passion and get joy out in helping other students as they toggle from one to another in the three person group," stated Potluri.

Lead instructor Shiv Bhandari said, "we have multiple instructors, all very capable and if one doesn't 'click' with a student we have the luxury of having a different instructor attend to the learner."

Located in the Village Square

The Mathnasium learning center is located across from the fountain next to the library. The center is spacious and clean with lots of instructors and a buzz of diligence of learning by all children who work along rows of tables with tutors on the other side attending to

them. The tools include verbal, mental, visual and tactile tutoring.

It all starts with an assessment

The comprehensive assessment helps the parent and the child pinpoint areas of learning to focus upon. Then, a custom plan is created for the future sessions of learning at Mathnasium. Bhandari states, "It's really important we use assessments for we want to make sure the student has mastered the level that they are working at before they climb to the next."

A wonderful investment

If you can, why not support a family member to attend Mathnasium. The amount of money spent is sure boost self-esteem in the student. It can change lives for it's a good solid investment in nurturing mastery of skills for those growing up in the Evergreen Valley.

There is no doubt to the success of Mathnasium. It succeeds in helping all learners reach their goals by use of dedicated teaching methodology in targeting step by step each building block of math mastery as suited for the individuality of the learner.

Just as each person is unique, this center works to reach each learner in unique enchanting ways!

Editor's note; Mathnasium of Silver Creek is located at 4035 Evergreen Village Square Suite #30, San Jose, CA 95135. Their phone number is (408) 876-4959. To learn more go to their website; mathnasium.com/silvercreek. They also operate another Mathnasium centers located in Morgan Hill and Santa Teresa.

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Times Feature

Back to school, back to work

By Gayle Kludt

Co-President, San Jose Host East Valley
 Lions Club

Now that summer has come to a close with schools opening all over the area, this reporter is back online with news of your local Lions Club. August started with our annual installation of new officers, adding Lion Gerry Stasko to the position of president, on August 7th.

Two days later we were busying cheering on our 49ers at Levi's Stadium and were rewarded with an exciting come from behind victory over the Dallas Cowboys, with the locals scoring with just six seconds on the clock. After that it was "back to work" for the group starting with our annual backpack stuffing party on August 11th at James Lick High School.

Two weeks earlier, club members had met at the home of Lion Carla Evans to pre-package the schools supplies for the packs. This makes the actual stuffing event a walk in the park, or actually a walk around the music room, placing the pre-packaged supplies inside the backpacks.

Added to the packs were a binder with paper and dividers, a notebook, ruler, pencil box with pencils, pens, an eraser, scissors, glue sticks and a highlighter. Also included were a toothbrush and paste, tissues and hand sanitizer. After starting out with coffee and donuts at 9:00 am to get in the mood for the effort, the Lions, aided by James Lick Leos and community volunteers including the Luu family, the Paquiz family, the Pham family and Tanya Tran, were able to knock out the project in just under 90 minutes. On Monday, August 13th, the 295 now fully outfitted packs were delivered to nine local elementary and middle schools, Teen Challenge and St. Vincent de Paul just in time for the start of school. Special thanks to Dr. Maria Ajlouny, DDS, of Dental CompreCare Health Center, for her generous donation of toothbrushes and toothpaste.

That event kicked off our annual service calendar which included vision and hearing screenings at La Trinidad Methodist Church on August 25th. Planned are a diabetes and vision testing event at the Villages along with a health fair at James Lick High School with dates to be announced. Also on the calendar is the participation of all the area Lions Clubs in San Jose's biggest street faire, Viva Calle SJ on September 28th. This year all the members will help get the action going at the County Fairgrounds with our AJ Robinson Hearing and Vision van providing free hearing and sight testing services along with information about all the clubs' projects. Plans have been finalized for an outing to Casa de Fruta with the clients of the San Jose Blind Center on October 4th. Also in the



The Lions' Lair

By Gayle Kludt
 Club President

works are fundraisers with the Lions Eye Foundation on September 3rd and Teen Challenge on October 11th.

Of course, all work and no play makes for a dull Lion so we did manage to combine a little fun with all our projects starting with the Gilroy Lions annual Corn Feed on August 17th. The event featured not only a delicious steak dinner but fresh corn, just picked that afternoon. This event's high-

light is the building of the corn towers, with all the members stacking their table's leftover cobs into the tallest structure possible. The Los Gatos group pulled off the "three-peat" aided by a pre-built structure to which the cobs were added. I guess it helps that they have an architect in their club! Not to be outdone, the Sunnyvale Lions hosted their annual family barbecue dinner just two days later on Sunday the 19th.

With body and mind fortified by all this summer fun and activities, the San Jose Host East Valley Lions Club started back on the path of what we like doing best, working with our local Evergreen-East Valley neighborhoods. We hope you will join us. As always you are welcome at all our planning meetings along with our projects. You may contact us at our website, www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/san-josehost or me at kludtgayle70@gmail.com. We meet the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Until next month, Happy Back-to-School and We Serve.

Gayle Kludt, SJHEV Co-President

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Times **Feature**

Indian flag raising event held on August 16 at SJ City Hall

An official Indian Flag Raising Event was held on at 6:30 p.m. on August 16h at the City Hall Rotunda.

Cultural performances from eight different dance groups performed at the ceremony.

The event was sponsored by Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Assemblymember Ash Kalra, and the Federation of Indo-Americans.

The flags of the US, India, California, and San Jose were flown and both the US and Indian national anthems were sung.

"I was proud to host the Indian Flag Raising on behalf of District 8 and all of San Jose, said Arenas. "Indian Americans are such an important part of our community — from the Sikh Gurdwara, the Evergreen Islamic Center, and organizations like Community Seva, the

Indian American community shows tremendous leadership when it comes to public service. This event is a great way cele-

brate the diversity that makes District 8 such a great place to live, and to show appreciation to the entire South Bay Indian

American community."

Curry Pizza, which recently opened in Evergreen Village Square generously donated all

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District 8 Community Roundtable
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East Side Union High School District Board of Trustees
Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the ESUHS Education Center, 830 N. Capitol Ave. 347-5000. Check the web site for agendas and updates: www.esuhds.org

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.eba-group.org.

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The Evergreen Senior Advisory

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Evergreen Valley Garden Club
Meeting at the SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING 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.sanjoseca.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 friendsofvergreenlibrary.org or call 408-808-3060 for more information.

Hidden Glen Community
To join a neighborhood discussion group, 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

LeyVa 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 local Lions group meets at the Red Lobster restaurant on Capitol at Aborn on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Dinner and fellowship start at 6 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7 p.m. Since we often meet at other places, attendees should contact Gayle Kludt at 408 531 1063 to confirm location. Guests are always welcome.

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 rhva.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.

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Silver Creek (PTSA) Parent, Teacher, Student Association
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Silver Creek School Site Council Meetings: Second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in room V-1.

Silver Oak Educational Partnership
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Tully Ocala Capitol King Neighborhood Association
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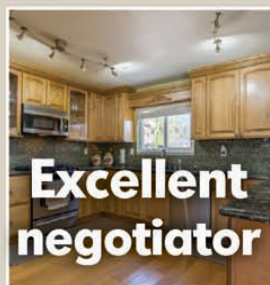
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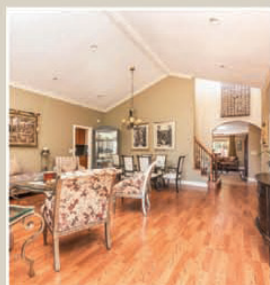
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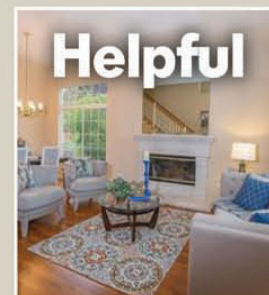
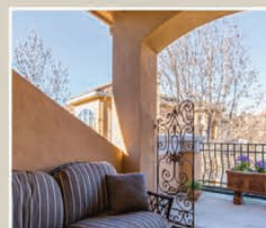
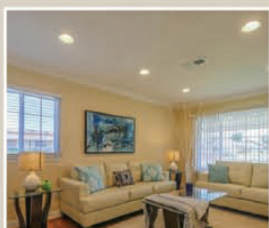
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