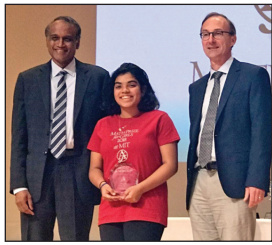


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2nd annual SJVRC charity run at Almaden Lake Park a huge success

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Volunteers needed for Gifts for Teens Holiday Teen Gift Bag Drive

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Understanding the upcoming State Ballot Propositions

By Lorraine Gabbert
Senior Staff Writer

“Democracy is not a spectator sport,” says Martha Beattie, Chair, Pros and Cons Presentations, League of Women Voters of San Jose and Santa Clara.

Beattie presented six of the statewide propositions at a recent Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA) meeting but did not take a political stance as the League of Women Voters is unbiased. However, the League does provide an informational list of pros and cons on the voting measures.

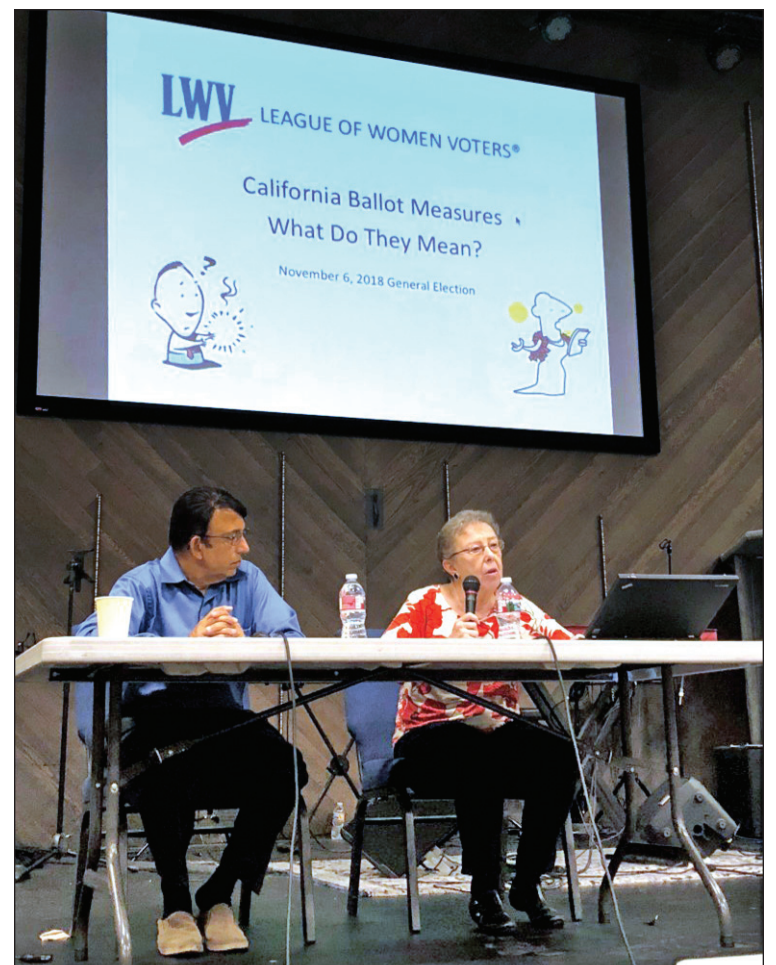
“The elections have consequences and we should all make sure we cast our vote on November 6 and are counted,” says AVCA President Shiraz Kotadia. “People think local politics are not interesting...but the propositions we approve and the people we elect directly impact our lives.”

In voting on measures, Beattie says that the League advises residents to be careful and thoughtful as initiative laws are hard to change. They recommend asking:

- Is it good government?
- Does the measure deal with one issue that can be decided with a “yes” or “no” vote, or is it a more complex issue that should go to the legislature?
- What are the fiscal effects?

Does it create its own revenue, or does it obligate general funds?

The League warns voters to beware of ads that appeal to the emotions and unsupported claims. They also strongly advise voters to check the facts and identify who is funding ad campaigns in order to determine



Almaden Valley Community Association President Shiraz Kotadia (left) and League of Women Voters Chair Martha Beattie urge residents to vote.

any bias. Lastly, they urge residents to vote their principals.

On behalf of the League, Beattie commented on the propositions and offered both supporting and opposing arguments for each.

Prop 1: Affordable Housing Bond: Authorizes the state to issue \$4 billion in general obligation bonds to fund existing affordable housing programs for low-income residents, veterans, farmworkers, manufactured and mobile homes, infill and transit-oriented housing. Fiscal Impact:

Increased state costs to repay bonds averaging \$171 million annually for 30 years.

“Should the state issue \$4 billion in bonds for housing programs for low-income residents?” asks Beattie. “The situation is that houses in Calif. cost 2.5 the national average and the average rent is about 50 percent higher. In some instances, the state does provide low-interest loans or grants. We receive about \$2 billion from federal government to support

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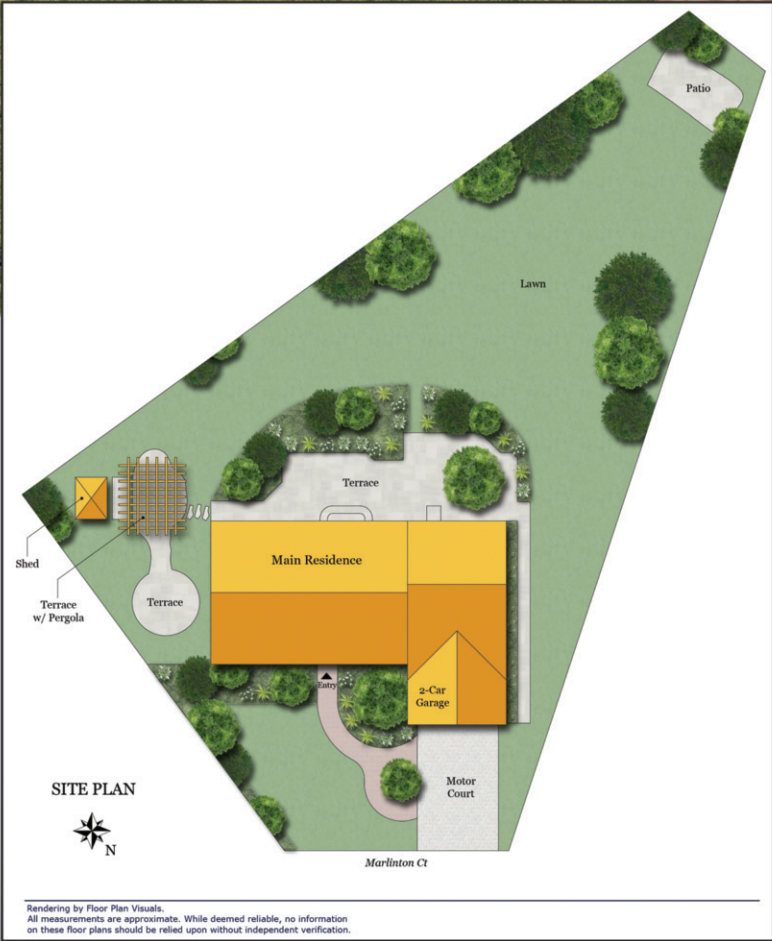
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Apoorva kicks off eBay's Women in Tech-Future Leaders speakers series

Communities of Inclusion recently hosted another session of the eWIT (eBay Women in Tech) Speaker Series focusing on future leaders.

The first future leader invited to share her amazing personal journey was 13 year old Apoorva Panidapu - a student, teacher, mathematician, artist, and a social entrepreneur.

In case you missed it, watch the replay on YouTube featuring one of the Bay Area's youngest entrepreneurs, philanthropist, and resident Genius Junior & Prodigy.

Apoorva Panidapu isn't your typical 8th grader; she not only takes classes at San Jose State University, tutors kids in math, and is the founder of Apoorva Panidapu's Art Gallery an online venue to share her artwork and raise funds for charity. All the proceeds go directly to her charity, "Help Starving African Children" (administered through Save the Children).

She is also the grand prize winner of NASA Langley Research Center's Centennial Student Art Contest, as well as a recipient of two Presidential Volunteer Service Awards. Her love of art is matched by her passion for mathematics. Recently, she earned the nickname "Human Calculator" when representing the San Francisco Bay Area on the NBC show, "Genius Junior," hosted by Neil Patrick Harris.

During her talk and chat with eWIT president Ishita Majumdar, Apoorva shared with the audience her passion for math and art, and how she uses her gifts to give back to the community. She also shared her experiences competing as a "Super Brain" on NBC's Genius Junior show, along with her hope to inspire girls to pursue STEAM and encourage others who have the tenacity to achieve greater heights.

Apoorva's sister Anoohya and parents, Uma and Venkat Panidapu, also joined her on stage to share more interesting stories about Apoorva's home-schooling experiences, challenges, and her day-to-day activities.

The audience was highly



Apoorva Panidapu (left) is being interviewed at eBay's eWIT Speaker Series by eWIT President Ishita Majumdar.



Apoorva is pictured receiving award from MIT Department of Mathematics Head Michel Goemans and Advantage Testing Founder Arun Alagappan.

engaged and asked questions throughout the session; many stayed after the event to speak with Apoorva and her family. While on campus, Apoorva met with several senior leaders including Dan Tarman, Mazen Al-Rawashdeh, Helen Kim, Lakshmi Duraivenkatesh, and Sam Bright to share her story and get different perspectives on "why eBay". It looks like eBay may have a new candidate for future intern cycles, or a new art seller on the platform - or both.

About eWit

eWIT (eBay Women in Tech) is a grassroots-driven community empowering the visibility and

leadership presence of women via recruitment, retention, and career advancement, which is currently 2000+ members strong with 14 chapters world-wide.

Keynote address

Apoorva keynote speaker session at Women In Tech, led to another invitation from the organizer of Bay Area Influencers and Tech Innovators, who watched her speech and was very inspired. Apoorva shared her story, passions and the love for giving back. She also motivated everyone in the audience to use their gifts, networks and groups to give back to the community.

MIT Math Prize for Girls

Apoorva was recently invited to Math Prize for Girls Invitational at MIT. The Advantage Testing Foundation Math Prize for Girls is the largest math prize for girls in the world. Each fall at MIT, nearly 300 young female mathematicians compete in a challenging test of mathematical creativity and insight. The goal is to promote gender equality in the STEM professions and to encourage young women with exceptional potential to become mathematical and scientific leaders.

"The Math Prize is far more than a prestigious math competition," said Maria De Vuono-Homberg, associate director for the Math Prize for Girls. "It is a weekend-long event which encourages the girls who attend to get to know each other and forge connections for their future in college, industry, and research."

The contest also creates a pipeline of talent to MIT, to which more than half of the top awardees have matriculated. "Every year, the girls who participate in this event never fail to impress us with their creative problem-solving skills and their enthusiasm for mathematics," said Goemans. "This competition encourages more women into studying mathematics, and this is much needed."

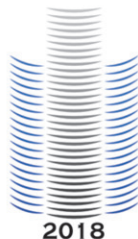
MIT hosted the 10th annual contest and a record 285 middle and high school female students from the United States and Canada arrived at MIT to compete in the prestigious Math competition. Young female "mathletes," who qualified with a top score on the American Mathematics Competition exam in February were invited to attend the competition.

Apoorva won an Honorable mention award, moving on to the next level of competition, Math Prize Olympiad, which is a four hour proof based competition. The top 35 Math Prize performers are invited to compete in the next Olympiad in November 2018. Apoorva said she's very excited to attend the Olympiad in November.

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Grant applications now accepted by Almaden Women's Club

Grant applications are now being accepted by the Almaden Valley Women's Club. Community Grant Applications are accepted once a year during the period of Oct. 1 – 31. The application can be found on the Almaden Women's Club website at: <https://www.almaden-women.org/grants>

The Almaden Valley Women's Club has been giving back to the community for over 50 years. Charitable assistance is providing to local educational organizations, non-profit children's foundations, teen programs and community organizations. "Our mission has always been to give back to our community," says Rebecca Stene, President of the AVWC.

The club's largest fundraising event is the annual Almaden Art & Wine Festival. This year's festival was held Sept. 16 and drew thousands of attendees who enjoyed local artists, great food, entertainment and a very popular children's area. "Our chil-

dren's area was busy throughout the entire day," says Patty Barbaccia, Festival Chair and Fundraising Vice President. "This is truly a family event."

Details on applying for the grants as well as the criteria for receiving them is on the website. A few notes – acceptable budget items for the grants may include supplies, books, materials or other things that will enhance the proposed project. Only one grant per year may be awarded to an educational institution or non-profit organization.

The Almaden Valley Women's Club is a non-profit and all-volunteer organization. The group is currently accepting new members. The only requirement is that members live or work in the 95118, 95120 or 95123 zip codes. Members attend monthly meetings and all are required to help at the annual Festival. "One of the best parts of being a member is that we get together socially every month, getting to know one another," says Rebecca Stene. "And then we all come together to throw a party for our community in September. There is no other women's organization that offers such a fun way for its members to bond."

For more information on joining the Almaden's Women Club or applying for a grant, please visit <https://www.almaden-women.org>.

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Times **Features**

Pioneer to present '12 Angry Men' and '12 Angry Women'

Come see this classic dramatic play that's as relevant today as in its debut. A guilty verdict seems certain in this homicide trial - except for the one juror hold out who forces examination into whether each vote cast is beyond reason-

able doubt. If you want a thought-provoking, conversation-stirring piece of theater, then join Pioneer High School's staging of this well-known Henry Fonda film. Increasing its relativity, 2 casts - either all men, or all women - tackle this high-stakes drama.

Wednesday through Saturday, October 24-27. 7 p.m. nightly at the Performing Arts Center at Pioneer High School. Tickets in advance at phsdrama.ludus.com or at the door. \$10 adults & \$5 child/student/senior 62+.

They're not going to bury the lake; latest update on the Almaden Lake project

"They're not going to bury the lake at Almaden Lake Park as some had predicted as part of the Almaden Lake Improvement Project.

"At my request, the Santa Clara Valley Water District has updated their website to include information about the community-supported Alternatives 6 and 7 that were the final alternatives chosen after numerous community meetings," said Khamis.

Khamis said there is an approximate timeline for the completion of the project.

According to the Valley Water District website, the water district does not intend to fill the lake. The Almaden Lake Improvement Project reflects the water district's commitment to protect the environment, restore habitat and improve water quality. The project will restore the creek channel section within Almaden Lake Park and eliminate the current condition whereby Alamos Creek flows through the lake. The loss of the integrity of Alamos Creek has been detrimental to the health of the native fish population in the creek system. Further, having the Alamos Creek flow directly into the lake allows for a direct deposition of naturally occurring mercury-laden sediment into the lake.



This has resulted in the lake having mercury-related water quality issues.

To address both the fisheries and mercury issues, the project will separate the creek from the lake by constructing a new levee in a north-south direction through the lake. The new levee will become the lake's new west bank boundary and isolate the lake to the east side of the park. The new levee will also serve as the restored creek's east embankment. Restoring the creek channel section means Alamos Creek can flow directly into the Guadalupe River as it once did prior to the formation of the park in the 1980s.

Returning the natural creek features at this site will improve fish passage to the upper watershed, transport of sediment in the creek system, and return the riparian habitat to improve the wildlife corridor.

The Almaden Lake Improve-

ment Project planning began in 2012. At that time the district conducted hands-on outreach for more than two years, which included public meetings and provided several presentations to neighborhood associations, service organizations and the city of San Jose to garner input on the project's design.

Several design proposals have been reviewed. Alternatives 6 and 7 kept a lake body on the east side of the restored creek section. The draft Environmental Impact Report evaluates both options, but the district further engineered Option 6 to the 30 percent level of design and it is the recommended alternative. This option best supports the project objective of minimizing park impacts. Option 7 proposed cutting into the parkland area where the boathouse currently sits. Option 6 does not cut into that area.

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MAYOR LICCARDO AND SUPERMAN TAKE ON 16 STORY BUILDING

2nd Annual 'Downtown Drop' charity event by Downtown Streets Team

By Kevin Larsen
Times staff writer

Spectacular! Hundreds of thousands of dollars raised in a single day! On a recent Saturday morning in San Jose, the Adobe Headquarters building located at 345 Park Avenue opened its doors to support a charity event. "Adobe likes to partner and is local driven by helping lots of non-profits," said a participant.

Corporations pitch in big time

\$100,000 was pledged at the event by

Adobe and \$40,000 pledged by Coca-Cola. Many other corporations also contributed large sums of money to support the Downtown Streets Team.

On September 8, more than 90 brave rappellers went over the edge of the 16 story building kicking out and swinging back, over and over again to complete the 236 feet drop. All members of the Downtown Streets Team including those who are temporarily homeless had an opportunity to get their shot at rappelling due to fervent local com-



San Jose Mayor **Sam Liccardo** and Sunnyvale Mayor **Glenn Hendricks** (in cape) rappel from the top of the Adobe building on Sept. 8.

munity fundraising efforts.

"We are here today to raise money to help those who are un-housed get back into employment and housing through dignity," said Logan McDonnell, Director of Development of Downtown Streets Team.

Everyone a TEAM member

"Ending homelessness is a beast to tackle and I don't think that there is only one way to solve it. DST is taking unique approaches through work experiences with our team members to unlock new successes for each of those experiencing homelessness," said Hanna, who is on the DST "TEAM." The practices of this group are unique and groundbreaking. They include a philosophy or a teaching pedagogy that makes one think about humanity in a new way; that if a person is temporarily house-less, that man or woman can pull themselves up and grasp on to new systems of living and working with dignity by becoming part of the TEAM.

"Our team members are also those who experience homelessness and so we are all a team, all equal," stated Hanna. This means that the nonprofit charity organization does not discriminate between those in tough temporary predicaments, and instead joins up with them so all participate in running the entire Downtown Streets Team. Everyone is referred to as a "TEAM member." This inclusion makes up the cornerstone foundation of the Downtown Streets Team, in that no one is on the outside looking in and no one is on the inside looking out.

Outside, music was provided by DJ Alex O. De Leon, who said, "It's my first time DJ-ing at this event and it is great to be here because everyone is so kind!" San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo arrived and took position on the very top of the 16 story building and DJ Alex switched up the notes by playing spectacular motion picture theme music which set the mood.

Harnessed up with two lines dangling to the ground and held by support staff, Liccardo and Glenn Hendricks, the mayor of Sunnyvale (who donned his Superman cape) both started at the top in rappelling position, laying parallel to the ground looking up at heaven (and maybe saying their prayers). The duo then jumped and

bounced off the walls of the Adobe building between the glass windows to gradually make their way back to Mother Earth.

Courage and trust

It took a lot of courage, and participants must place themselves in the mercy of the experts holding the lines on the pavement.

After they reached ground, everyone cheered as they waved to the crowd. When they took their gear off, it was apparent that the experience was exuberating for the two men. A few moments after touch down, they had to collect their thoughts. After a while, both spoke and gave praise to the Downtown Streets Team for making a big difference in transitioning people from sleeping outside and getting them under a roof. Such miraculous changes in one's life takes time to do and becomes a quest of mastering living in a new way with work and sleep stability. Like no other organization, Downtown Streets Team is something very special.

"You are, we are, seriously all equal"

Activist Joan Baez made a speech at the Downtown Streets event that took place at an earlier event in Santa Cruz, which can be viewed on YouTube. Through her words, you can learn more about the heartbeat of Downtown Streets Program and how it is moving forward expanding into new communities.

Singer/songwriter Baez is an activist who is not afraid to start a movement. The beautiful lady with the voice of a songbird inspired others to join in and build the Downtown Streets Team organization. Together, she and others figured out while sitting around a kitchen table how to create new methods of helping people to allow them to lift themselves up with dignity. In her speech, she elegantly discussed the groundbreaking ideas that captured the hearts of many to give lift to the creation of the organization.

Says, Joan Baez:

"This is not about survival it is about transcendence..."

"We are living in a society right now which is really divisive..."

"Downtown Streets Team helps empathy to survive in these times..."

"The us is with the them."

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Above: the winners of the Men's 10K (above) and Men's 5K (below).



Above: the winners of the youth 5K.

2nd annual SJVRC charity run at Almaden Lake Park a huge success

The second annual "OneMile4OneChild" charity race attracted hundreds to Almaden Lake Park on Sunday, September 30.

This fun family event is hosted by the San Jose Vietnamese Running Club (SJVRC) and was open to the public. Participants received timing bibs, a t-shirt and a finisher's medal, and awards went to the top three 10K and 5K male, female and youth runners.

SJVRC's primary goals are to encourage and foster physical health; expanding community support and networking; and raising funds to support orphanages through the "OneMile4OneChild" charity fund.

Runners gathered early in the morning to begin the 7:00 a.m. race, which started at Lake Almaden and moved along the scenic Los Alamitos Creek to eventually circle back and finish at the Arroyo picnic area at the park.

About SJVRC

SJVRC was founded in June 2016 with just four members, and it has grown to hundreds of members today. To learn more about contributing to this organization, go to sjvrc.org.



Pictured above: The SJVRC race core team.

10K results Men

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
2164	DON WANG		05:56 min/mile	10K	1	36
403	GERHARD BRUMMER	SAN JOSE	06:05 min/mile	10K	2	41
541	KEVIN TRAN	SAN JOSE	06:07 min/mile	10K	3	28

10K results Women

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
540	KAREN TRAN	SAN JOSE	07:16 min/mile	10K	6	46
547	TUYET TRUONG	NEWARK	08:07 min/mile	10K	13	37
434	LISA XUAN HERBOLD	SANTA CLARA	08:17 min/mile	10K	19	43

5K results Men

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
5	JOSEPH AUBUCHON	SAN JOSE	06:10 min/mile	5K	1	37
123	JUANJO MARRON	SAN JOSE	06:24 min/mile	5K	2	34
49	BRIAN GUNNEY	PLEASANTON	07:26 min/mile	5K	5	53

5K results Women

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
30	JULIE DEMERS	FOSTER CITY	06:52 min/mile	5K	3	33
2119	HAILEY DANG	SAN JOSE	08:04 min/mile	5K	8	13
6	LAN AUBUCHON	SAN JOSE	08:26 min/mile	5K	12	38

12 and under 10K

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
576	DANG PHAM	SUNNYVALE	08:37 min/mile	10K	25	7
473	VALENTINO NGUYEN	SAN JOSE	09:03 min/mile	10K	40	11
577	COLE RANDELL	SAN JOSE	10:07 min/mile	10K	73	12
578	KAILEY RANDELL	SAN JOSE	13:23 min/mile	10K	128	9

12 and under 5K

Bib	Name	City	Pace	Division	Div Place	Age
2143	NOLAN TRAN	MORGAN HILL	08:08 min/mile	5K	9	12
34	DARREN DO	CUPERTINO	08:56 min/mile	5K	18	9
2074	NOAH LE	SAN JOSE	09:21 min/mile	5K	31	12
236	CHRISTIAN THAI	SUNNYVALE	10:52 min/mile	5K	50	12
27	DERRICK DANG	SAN JOSE	11:02 min/mile	5K	54	10
8	THI BRITTO	SAN JOSE	09:05 min/mile	5K	24	11
37	PORTIA DO	MILPITAS	09:59 min/mile	5K	40	11
3	KATELYNN ABALOS	SANTA CLARA	11:02 min/mile	5K	53	10
92	MINHUY LE	SALINAS	13:05 min/mile	5K	99	8
2132	JESSIE NGUYEN	SAN JOSE	13:07 min/mile	5K	101	12

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SJVRC’s volunteer team poses on race day, which was kicked off with an appearance by Boy Scouts.



Above: the winners of the Women’s 10K (above) and Women’s 5K (below).



Pictured above: San Jose City Councilmember **Johnny Khamis** enjoyed spending time at the event.

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low income housing projects.”

She points out that principal and interest payments usually double the final cost of the bonds, so this bond will likely end up costing \$8 billion. About \$1.8 billion would fund affordable multifamily housing (developers receive low-interest loans to build affordable multi-family housing or apartments reserved for low-income households for 55 years). About \$1 billion is set aside for home loans for low-income veterans. The remainder is allocated for building housing near public transportation in urban areas, infrastructure like parks, sewage, water and transportation, farmworker housing and more funding for a homeownership program (which offers down-payment assistance).

Supporting Argument: The state faces an unprecedented housing crisis. This money provides relief by building some housing and helping those struggling to buy housing. It also honors veterans by providing home loan assistance.

Opposing Argument: This will help a limited number of people. Taxpayers are being asked to borrow more money through these bonds, which will end up costing everyone.

Prop 2: Authorizes \$2 billion in bonds to fund existing housing program for individuals with mental illness who are homeless. Amends Mental Health Services Act to fund No Place Like Home program, which finances housing for homeless individuals with mental illness. Fiscal Impact: Allows state to use up to \$140 million per year of county mental health funds to repay up to \$2 billion in bonds. Estimated cost: 120 million per year for 30 years.

“Should \$2 in bonds be issued and the Mental Health Services Act be amended

to fund the No Place Like Home program?” says Beattie. This amends Prop 63 to allow use of the revenue for No Place Like Home. No more than \$140 million per year can be used for No Place Like Home.

Supporting Argument: Provides housing paired with social and health services is one of the most effective ways to help the chronically homeless who suffer from mental illness. It is within the spirit of Prop 63 and its co-author, Sacramento Mayor Steinberg supports this initiative.

Opposing Argument: The state shouldn't have this come at the expense of basic mental health treatment. Restrictive housing zoning laws are not addressed. Some counties may already use Prop 63 revenue to offer housing and rent subsidies.

Prop 3: \$8.9 Billion Water Infrastructure Bond: Authorizes bonds to fund projects for water supply and quality, watershed, fish, wildlife, water conveyance and groundwater sustainability and storage. It also includes flood protection. Authorizes \$8.877 billion in state general obligation bond for infrastructure projects. Fiscal impact: About \$430 million per year for 40 years. Local government savings for water-related projects, likely averaging a couple hundred million dollars annually over the next few decades.

“Voters have authorized \$31 billion in bonds for natural resources projects in the past 17 years,” says Beattie. “and several billion is still available.”

Supporting argument: It funds projects to meet Calif.' Urgent need to secure a safe, reliable, clean water supply. It helps ensure that disadvantaged communities will have access to safe drinking water. Watershed restoration will also improve water quality and protect agricultural interests.

Opposing argument: We need more dams to collect rain and snow melt but

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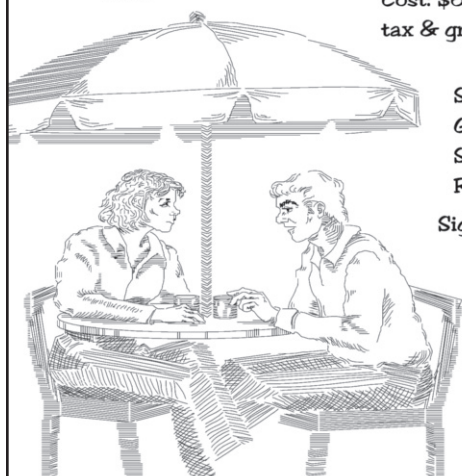
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they're not included in the proposition. It makes recreation and wildlife a priority over farmers. Paying back the new bonds will raise taxes.

Prop 5: Portable Prop 13 Benefits: Removes current requirements for homeowners who are over 55-years-old or severely disabled to transfer their property tax base to a replacement residence of equal or lesser value: residence to be in specific county and transfer to occur only once. Removes similar replacement-value and location requirements on transfers for contaminated or disaster-damaged property. Requires adjustments to the replacement property's tax base, based on the new property's value. Fiscal impact: Annual property tax losses for cities, counties and schools of around \$150 million per year, growing over time to \$1 billion or more per year.

"Tax rates are capped at 1.1 percent of new-owner assessed value, growing annually by no more than 2 percent," she says. By the beginning of Jan. 1, 2019, designated homeowners can transfer their tax base to a replacement property if the value is the same or less, no matter the purchase price, to anywhere in the state.

Supporting Argument: Seniors and the disabled don't face a moving penalty based upon the size of the property tax. It frees up reasonably priced homes which are in short supply in Calif.

Opposing Argument: It won't alleviate the affordable housing crisis. It will leave less money for local fire services, police and health care. It gives a break to wealthy seniors and a windfall to realtors.

Prop 6: Gas Tax Repeal: Eliminates recently enacted road repair (local roads and state highways) and public transportation funding by repealing revenues dedicated for those purposes. Requires any measure to enact certain vehicle fuel taxes and vehicles fees to be submitted to voters for approval. Fiscal impact: Reduced annual state transportation tax revenue of \$2.9 billion in 2018-19, increasing to \$4.9 billion annually by 2020-21.

"Should the increase in vehicle fuel taxes and fees enacted in 2017 be reversed and should voter approval be required for transportation-related taxes and fees?" she says. Last year, the Road Repair and Accountability Act was passed with revenues estimated at \$5.1 billion annually. It was dedicated to transportation usage by Prop 69.

Supporting Argument: Californians already pay some of the highest taxes in the nation, including one of the highest gas taxes. Calif. has a \$16 billion budget surplus, but politicians did not spend it to improve roads, bridges and highways. They reduced Caltrans funding by 18 percent over the last 10 years.

Opposing Argument: Calif. hasn't raised its gas tax in decades and the state's transportation infrastructure is

crumbling. About 89 percent of counties have roads in poor or at-risk conditions and more than 1600 bridges and overpasses are structurally unsafe. Requiring voter approval risks ballot box budgeting.

Prop 10: Expanded Rent Control: Expands local governments' authority to enact rent control on residential property. Repeals state law which currently restricts the scope of rent-control policies. Allows policies that would limit the rental rates that residential property owners may charge for new tenants, construction and single-family homes. Provides that rent-control policies may not violate landlords' right to a fair financial return on their rental property. Fiscal impact: Likely reduces state and local revenues, especially for property taxes.



League of Women Voters Chair **Martha Beattie** reminds voters that "Democracy is not a spectator sport."

Potential increase in local government costs of up to tens of millions of dollars per year, likely paid by fees on owners of rental housing.

"This allows cities and counties to regulate rents on housing property," she says, "and allows the regulation of how much rent can be raised with a new tenant." It retains the rights of fair return and doesn't change the existing rent control laws.

Supporting Argument: Rents are too high, which hurts seniors and families with low or fixed incomes. This prop protects them. Will allow local areas to decide what makes sense for them without changing rent control measures.

Opposing Argument: Rent control laws reduce the amount of rental property available. Landlords will stop renting and developing isn't being encouraged. It drives up the cost of existing housing as regulations will be an incentive to convert to other uses. It allows the creation of new local bureaucrats with the power to regulate rents on all types of residential property.

In closing, Beattie reminded residents to make sure they are correctly registered and to vote. "Your vote counts!" she says.

For more information on the League of Women Voters, please see: www.votersedge.org. For more information on the Almaden Valley Community Association, please see: www.avca.org.

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TEAM

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Baez continued and spoke as the songwriter she is by using words to paint her thoughts so all could see and understand them. "The us is with the them, and you don't have the feeling that anyone is doing something for somebody else, you are part of doing it with the other person," Baez said. "I was there at the very beginning, the inception of the whole idea of DST before it was anything except a rash of homelessness that made my friend and myself decide that we wanted to do something about it. And shortly in a dinner conversation with the people we were going to fundraise

from, it became clear that doing something for the homeless was not going to be feeding the homeless and getting them something to wear, that it had this potential to be something much greater which is what happened. And it took, as you know lots and lots of work, lots of people afraid to get near this project maybe for the first time in years offered something, and genuinely offered in years and demanding something back and I think maybe it's the demanding something back that has made it such a success because that is where the dignity comes in and that is where the transcendence comes in that you are, we are, seriously all equal."



Singer/Songwriter/Activist **Joan Baez** speaking at a DST event in Santa Cruz. "I think maybe it's the demanding something back has made it such a success because that is where the dignity comes in," said Baez, who is one of the founders of Downtown Streets Team.

Editor's note: DST exists in the South Bay, East Bay, North Bay, Sacramento, Santa Cruz, Oakland, San Francisco, and more. One can even start their own Downtown Streets Team by going to the website. Their literature states: "DST builds teams that restore dignity, inspire hope and provide a pathway to recover from homelessness. The volunteer work experience provides homeless and at-risk team members an opportunity to beautify their community in exchange for case management, employment services and a basic needs stipend." This organization welcomes donations. To learn more go to downtown-streetsteam.org.

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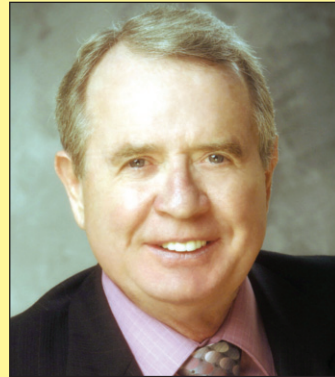
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