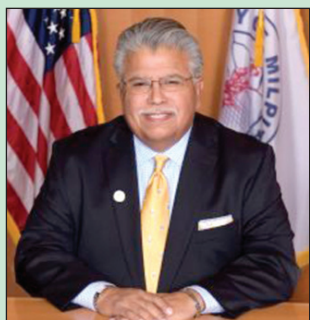


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Nunez named interim ESD superintendent

The Evergreen School District has named Bob Nunez as interim superintendent for the Evergreen School District.

The decision follows the announced retirement of Superintendent Kathy Gomez.

Nunez is a former superintendent at San Jose's East Side Union High School District. He currently serves as an elected member of the Milpitas city council and is a former member of the Milpitas Unified Board of Education. He has a 40 year career in education.

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2018: Our Year in Review

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Mayor Liccardo struck by a motor vehicle while cycling on New Year's Day; taken to hospital

San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo was cycling on the 600 block of Salt Lake Drive when he was struck by a motor vehicle at approximately 12.30 p.m. on New Year's Day.

The driver of the vehicle pulled over and stayed at the scene, while Mayor Liccardo was taken to the hospital to be checked out.

Mayor Liccardo suffered mi-

nor fractures, but his injuries are not considered life threatening. He was kept overnight for observation and returns home in two days.

Mayor Liccardo is currently resting and in good spirits. He shared the following statement:

"I'd like to thank compassionate neighbors like Linda and Tom who rushed to help immediately after the accident; the fast and professional response



Liccardo

from Fire Station 19 and the San Jose Police Department; the wonderful paramedic care from Alex and her team; and the outstanding medical attention from Dr. Jimenez and the entire staff at Regional Medical Center," said Mayor Liccardo.

He also joked: "Fortunately, the doctors state that all defects to the head were pre-existing conditions."

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Times **Feature**

Celebrate literacy for the New Year

Teaching a child to appreciate reading not only promotes academic achievement, but it also opens opportunities for the imagination to soar and for kids to learn about topics beyond their wildest dreams.

This year, you can help promote children's literacy with these ideas:

Give books to children. You can find a book on virtually any topic, aimed at nearly every age and reading level. If you're not sure what a child likes to read, simply choose a book about a topic he or she enjoys, or a favorite fictional character.

Support organizations working to promote literacy. Many organizations you conduct regular business with may have selected literacy as a cause that they support. For example, the Toys for Tots Literacy Program was developed by The UPS Store and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. This program, celebrating its 10th anniversary, provides books and educational resources to underserved communities. As part of the program, \$10,000 worth of children's books will be donated to 10 nonprofit organizations in support of children's literacy in 2019.

Create traditions around reading. Making books part of family rituals can help instill a love of reading among kids. You might set aside an evening for a read-

ing marathon or read a bedtime story every night. You can also find creative ways to get young readers involved, such as assigning one child each night to read that day's mail aloud to the family.

Attend events that shine a light on literacy. One of the year's most anticipated events is the annual Tournament of the Roses Rose Parade on New Year's Day, which will include The UPS Store's float titled "Books Keep Us On Our Toes" which aims to inspire people to experience life through the joy of reading. After the parade, spectators can view the float up close, and the store will hand out 10,000 children's books – many of which were donated by Scholastic, the global children's publishing, education and media company – to parade-goers and post-event attendees.

Encourage kids to get hands-on with books. Reading isn't the only way to appreciate books; kids can get creative and make their own literature, too. Encourage them to write and illustrate their own stories they can share with the family.

For more information on the float or to make a contribution to support literacy, visit theupsstore.com/literacy.

(Family Features) Photo courtesy of Getty Images

Nunez

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"Our Board has full confidence in Interim Superintendent Bob Nunez's ability to move the direction of the district smoothly forward during this transitional period as we conduct a thorough public search for a new Superintendent," says Bonnie Mace, President of the ESD Board of Trustees.

"After interviews of very qualified candidates for the role, the Board of Trustees worked to select a person with the knowledge and experience needed to continue to help the District move forward with the excellent programs and operational details that make Evergreen great," said Charles Crosby, Information officer for the Evergreen School District.

Crosby said the Board made their choice based on a series of key criteria they sought in a successful candidate: "The ability to reestablish trust and confi-

dence in stakeholder groups; someone who could quickly establish positive relationships with District employees, a leader who would be a champion for the students in the district - one who understands their diverse needs and who values their academic achievement as well as their social and civic development; a person who will be visible and active throughout the district, a valued adviser to the Board on crucial issues, and a leader in all aspects of the organization."

The Board is currently focused on important time sensitive issues such as budget development, staffing, land use planning, and program evaluation while simultaneously embarking on the inclusive process of finding a permanent leader for the District. They were particularly focused on finding an interim superintendent with valued experience and a proven skill set in these areas.

The search for a permanent Superintendent will begin this year.

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Bhau receives commendation as 100th Eagle Scout for Troop 264

It was a proud moment for Troop 264 honoring and celebrating their 100th Eagle Scout, Arnav Bhau, on December 22 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints church located on San Felipe Rd. in Evergreen.

More than 200 people attended the event including 20 past Eagle Scouts, dating back to 1965.

Arnav Bhau received commendation plaques, letters and certificates of recognition from many dignitaries, including Grace Church - Evergreen, Bill and Melinda Gates, Former US presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter, U.S. Senator Kamala Harris, Secretary of Education Ms. Betsy DeVos, Mayor of San Jose Sam Liccardo, Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, State Assembly Member Ash Kalra, State Senator Mr Jim Beall, San Jose City Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Dave Cortese, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, the Golden State Warriors, the SF Giants and others.

Bhau thankfully handed mentor's pins to several of his life coaches who helped mentor him from childhood to the day of his special recognition. In attendance at the event were Current District Chair and Past Scoutmaster Troop 264 Michael Gabler, Scoutmaster Troop 264 Mike Ivey, Founder of Community Seva Mr. Nathan Ganesan, Supervisor Dave Cortese, Coyote Creek District Advancement Chair Doug Bodily, Pastor John Goldstein from Grace Church, Assistant Scout Masters Jack Baker, Richard Kast, Shridhar Mukund, Linda Kinney, Mike Pordon, Ankur Gupta, Eagle Project Advisor Rick Adams, Mike Malone, Past Scoutmaster of Troop 264 Elaine Jalerico.

Arnav's Eagle project took 510 man hours and more than 3 months helping the underprivileged by collecting more than 1500 toys, books, board games, and gift wrapping



Left-right: **Arnav Bhau, Rishab Yeddulla, Valmic Mukund, and Mr. Michael Gabler** (District Chair) all joined the celebration on December 22.



Arnav Bhau poses with Scoutmaster Mike Ivey.

them for needy Children for Christmas in 2017. Bhau also teamed up with Organization Community Seva, assisting in collecting donations and making 155 backpacks.

Bhau thanks his Troop, fellow scouts, friends, family and local community who helped him with his large project positively affecting hundreds of people.

New exciting programs sponsored by the Evergreen Community Center for 2019

By Frank Shortt
Times staff writer

Isabel Montano, Senior Recreation Leader at the Evergreen Community Center has announced some exciting new programs for the beginning of 2019.

Starting Wednesdays, January 16-February 27 there will be **beginning Piano and Keyboards for youth** from 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. and Saturdays, January 12-March 2 from 10 a.m. -10:45 a.m.

There will also be **dance**

classes and Presidents Week Camp at the same location. All activities are in cooperation with the San Jose Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services.

These classes will take place at Eastridge Center Community Room (Second Floor located between Cinnabon and Hallmark) at 2200 Eastridge Loop, #2062, San Jose, CA 95122. Registrations start immediately online at: www.sjregistration.com

Eastridge Active Adults

Another innovative program featuring the adult community will be called Eastridge Active Adults. There will be a walking class called 'Stroll. Free haircuts are available on the third Wednesday of each month and Morning Stretch, an easy to learn stretching technique which will include a head to toe workout. You may register for the new Active Adults programs by calling 408 621-9913.

Another new program being

offered by the Evergreen Community Center will be the **Eastridge Teen Center**. This will be on a drop-in basis and will be free to participating teens. It will feature Homework assistance, a game room, Arts and Crafts, and a teen lounge. See poster for all information. Dates and Times may be subject to change.

This is a great opportunity for those who do not live near the Evergreen Community Center to take advantage of all the great programs offered by the center.

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Times Feature

Local Lions New Year's resolutions: more fun, more service

By Gayle Kludt

Special to the Times

After New Year's, after the rounds of holiday parties, overindulging, and maybe just a few pounds gained, like most of us, the San Jose Host East Valley Lions has plans for a little belt tightening of its own but in a good way.

On November 27th, the group passed its 2019 budget calling for

more vision screenings, more community involvement and more service. Of course, this also means more fundraising, or as we like to call it, more FUNdraising.

Our first FUNdraiser goes back to that belt tightening theme, literally, with lightening the load stashed in our closets, garage and other hiding places. The club is hosting a Savers event on

January 12th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm with drop off at the main parking lot at James Lick High School. We are looking for gently-used clothing, shoes, bedding, towels, accessories, jewelry, CDs, DVDs, books, electronics, toys and games, kitchen items, sporting goods, and household items. Please, no large furniture items and all items should be boxed or bagged, no

loose items. I am thinking maybe it's time for the white go-go boots to actually go-go, as in go-go somewhere else. And the matching bell bottoms, outta here. All the belt tightening in the world is not going to make those jeans actually



The Lions' Lair

By Gayle Kludt
Club President

fit! However, the 60s are still in style, if not in your closet, then at Savers where retro-chic is retro-cool.

The second of these FUNdraisers is scheduled for January 27th when the local Lions venture to Golden Gate Fields for their annual "Day at the Races" party. The event includes chartered bus transportation, coffee and donuts, complimentary beverages, games, prizes and more. Cost is \$75.00 and includes the bus ride or \$50.00 for those who wish to drive. Contact Carla Evans at evans4u@att.net or Valerie Long at 408 923-7741 to purchase tickets.

Proceeds from these two events will help provide vision screenings and eyeglasses to needy persons, funds for fire relief for our recent devastating wild fires, and food donations for our participation in the nationwide "Rise Against Hunger" program. They also will be used for college scholarships. If you are looking for a way to donate funds for fire relief, I recommend the California Lions MD4 Headquarters, 129 Los Angeles Avenue, Santa Barbara CA 93101. This group is coordinating all the donations from all the Lions Clubs statewide. Charity Navigator consistently gives Lions Club a 4 out of 4 star rating for its charitable work. MD4 will be working with both the Redding Lions and the Chico Lions in its relief efforts.

We hope you all had the merriest of Christmases and holiday seasons and are looking forward to a productive and meaningful 2019 as much as we are. As always, you are most welcome to join us at our meetings and we always enjoy working with our neighbors. Please feel free to contact me at kludtgayle70@gmail.com or through our website, www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/sanjosehost for club activities.

The San Jose Host East Valley Lions Club meets the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Red Lobster restaurant, Capitol at Aborn at 6 p.m. for dinner and 7 p.m. for our meeting. Visitors are always welcome. Please check in advance to confirm meeting location.



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Please register to reserve space at (408)621-9913

Monthly Haircuts

From January to March we will be offering cost-free haircuts every third Wednesday of the month.

Dates: 1/16/19, 2/20/19, 3/20/19 Location: TBD Time: TBD

Please register with staff prior to the dates listed at (408)621-9913.

Morning Stretch

Join us for our new stretching class being offered at Eastridge Center. We will be engaging in various easy to learn stretches once a week. Come for a head-to-toe workout. Meeting spot will be Center Court by Starbucks.

Time: 8:30am-9:30am Days: Wednesdays starting January 16, 2018

Please register to reserve space at (408)621-9913.

To request an accommodation for City-sponsored events or an alternative format for printed materials, please contact Evergreen Community Center at (408)270-2220 or (800) 735-2922 (TTY) as soon as possible, but at least three business days before the event.

Times Features



Quimby Oak Middle School's wrestler Abbey Cabuag wins her 2nd consecutive league section and county championship

By Sam Spengler
Special to the Times

Quimby Oak wrestling has dominated Eastside San Jose middle school wrestling for several years in a row.

At the conclusion of the 2018 season, Quimby Oak had been league champions for 18 years in a row; along the way piling up countless league, section, and county championships.

Most notably is Abbey Cabuag, who won her 2nd consecutive county championship this season wrapping up an undefeated season. She was the first girl in Santa Clara County history to win a county championship last year and repeated this season.

Middle school girl wrestlers compete against boys in each weight division. In recent years, girls have had a spike in success. Quimby had 22 girls try out for the team this year. Abbey and Kiely Tabaldo, 2018 league champions were the two team captains.

The majority of these wrestlers have gone on to wrestle at Evergreen High



Abbey Cabuag won her 2nd consecutive county championship this season.

School. This has led to Evergreen being a power house high school program.

Coach Sam Spengler praises his assistant coach, Ray Jimenez, who was one of his former Quimby Oak wrestlers and current head Evergreen High School coach, as a big part of the ongoing success.



Under the leadership of Girl Scout **Caitlin Nguyen**, a group of volunteers gathered and were guided as a team to obtain several crucial life skills.

Girl Scout troop enhances infrastructure at Cadwallader School with new benches

Cadwallader Elementary School and Lien Doan Hoa Binh, a local Vietnamese Girl Scout troop, collaborated together to enhance the atmosphere of this academic institution for the well-being of the students.

Beginning with the construction of three new benches to the remodel of the garden, Cadwallader Elementary School and Lien Doan Hoa Binh strove to provide numerous safe, friendly locations for students to interact with one another during their break time.

Under the leadership of a Girl Scout member, Caitlin Nguyen, a group of volunteers were gathered- mainly consisting of other scout participants and peers - and were guided as a team to obtain several crucial life skills, such as problem solving and communicating. In her younger years, Caitlin attended Cadwallader Elementary School, graduating in 2014. Six years later, as she aimed to receive the highest Girl Scout award, the Gold Award, Caitlin decided to devote over eighty hours to give back to her old elementary school for all the fond childhood memories Cadwallader Elementary supplied her with.

Understanding the very limited spacing for safe interactions between students and the rundown garden that began to collect

weeds, Caitlin fundraised for her project to improve Cadwallader's appearance by communicating with local hardware stores for donations and asking her family and friends for any kind contributions. After obtaining a total of five hundred dollars, this young Girl Scout purchased all materials necessary for her project, and with her new team, she began to execute the project that she had been planning for over two years to accomplish her goal of creating treasured memories for the younger generations.


With a time period of roughly two years to complete paperwork and project, starting in 2017, the benches were finally installed, and the garden received its last touchups a few months ago. Students and faculty are now provided with an abundance of areas to interact and create long-lasting friendships.

All of this couldn't have been possible without the aid of Cadwallader's principal, Mrs. McClintock, and the supporting team of Lien Doan Hoa Binh. Both exemplifying the passion to help others and improving the atmosphere of a school environment is what led to the success of the Treasured Memories project, which will now continue to be a permanent addition to Cadwallader Elementary School for future generations to enjoy.



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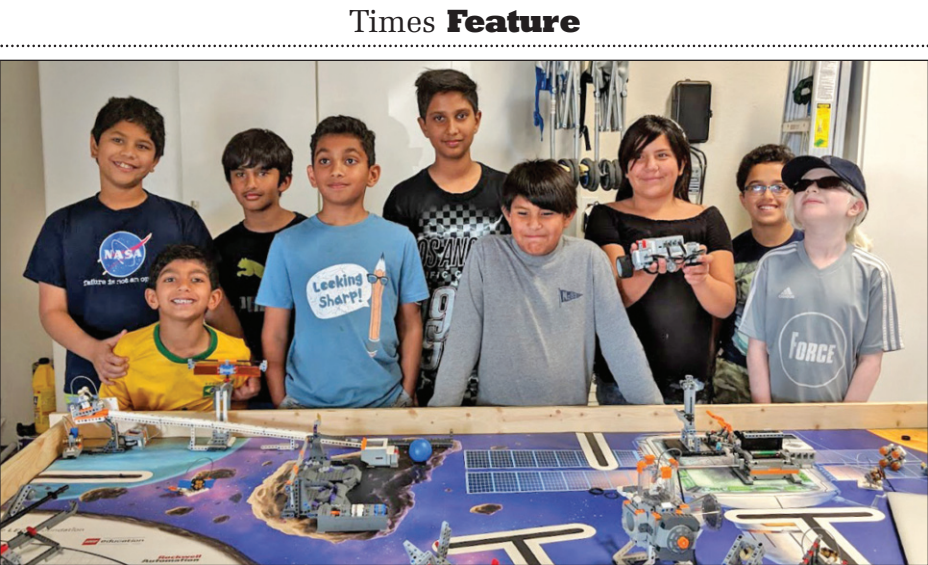
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Middle Schoolers in Evergreen advance to Lego International Tournament

It all started during the summer of 2016 in the garage of Nandini and Satish Lakshmanan, residents of Silver Creek Valley Country Club and coaches of First Lego League (FLL) team Mindbuilders.

This summer, a group of five enthusiastic students from Evergreen: Anish Sayani (7th grade BASIS Independent), Dharshan Bellan (7th grade BASIS Independent), Harshil Ahuja (7th grade Stratford Middle), Prateek Satish (6th grade Stratford Middle) and Roshan Amble (7th grade BASIS Independent) came together to take up the Lego challenge for 2018-2019.

While coach Satish primarily focuses on the Robot design and programming aspect, Nandini helps guiding the team on effective time management with Project and Core Values.

Every year, FLL releases a Challenge, which is based on a real-world scientific topic. Each challenge has three aspects to it. This year's theme is "Into Orbit".

The first aspect is the Robot Mission, involving challenges that are mat based and need to be solved using EV3 programming. The second aspect is the Project, which requires teams to come up with prototypes or innovative solutions to real problems faced by astronauts during long distance space travel. The third aspect is Core Values, which imbibes qualities in children that are critical to their professional development.

For the Robot mission, the Mind-Builders programmed and scored a high of 242 points that earned them their Robot Performance award. For the Project, the challenge was to solve physical and social stress during long duration space travel. Their solution was a Virtual reality driven, Android platform based, fitness app for the astronauts. The intent is to combat both physical and social stress for astronauts, by making workouts a fun experience. During the season, the team met with several industry professionals who provided consistent feedback to the team, on both the technicalities of the app and its usage.

Anish Sayani was responsible for building and developing the Core Samples Mission. He also came up with the concept of using Virtual Reality for their Project. Dharshan Bellan is an excellent builder of mission frames and displayed sound understanding of EV3 Programs and Android Development Studio. Harshil Ahuja was responsible for programming and building the key missions. Prateek Satish was responsible in building the base robot, and some of the critical frames. Roshan Amble is the

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programming backbone for the team. For both Mission Models and Project, Roshan was the chief programmer.

The journey for the team this year has been nothing short of a rollercoaster ride. Registered initially with NorCal, they were slated to compete out of Vacaville on Nov. 17th. As the date rolled around, so did the forest fires, especially the “Campfire.” Citing poor air quality issues, their tournament was cancelled, and the team was informed that they were eliminated. However, the team persisted their case with NorCal FLL and were eventually accommodated by the Central Valley Robotics. From being eliminated to winning the Champions Award twice and earning a spot at an International event, it has been a fulfilling journey for the team, coaches and parents.

At the recent First Lego League (FLL) Championship, Team MindBuilders (#31636) received the 1st Place Champions award at the Central Valley qualifier. In the following round, the regional Championship, they won the 1st place for Robot Performance followed by the 2nd place Champions Award. The Regional Championship win has earned them a spot at the Arkansas Razorback Invitational, which will host 72 competing teams from around the world that achieved top recognition in their respective region.

Community Work

The Mindbuilders also used their team platform to give back to their community in more than one way. They prepared sandwiches for a homeless shelter in San Jose, they taught underprivileged kids how to build a base robot and some simple yet fun robot techniques, and dropped newspapers for the Animal shelter. The team also held a holiday gift drive for the underprivileged and donated boxes full of gifts to the Ronald McDonald House Charities at Stanford.

Team MindBuilders' coaches hope this inspirational story of this young team will encourage other children in the Evergreen School District and beyond to consider First Lego League robotics as a way to learn STEM and inculcate qualities needed to be both successful and grounded.



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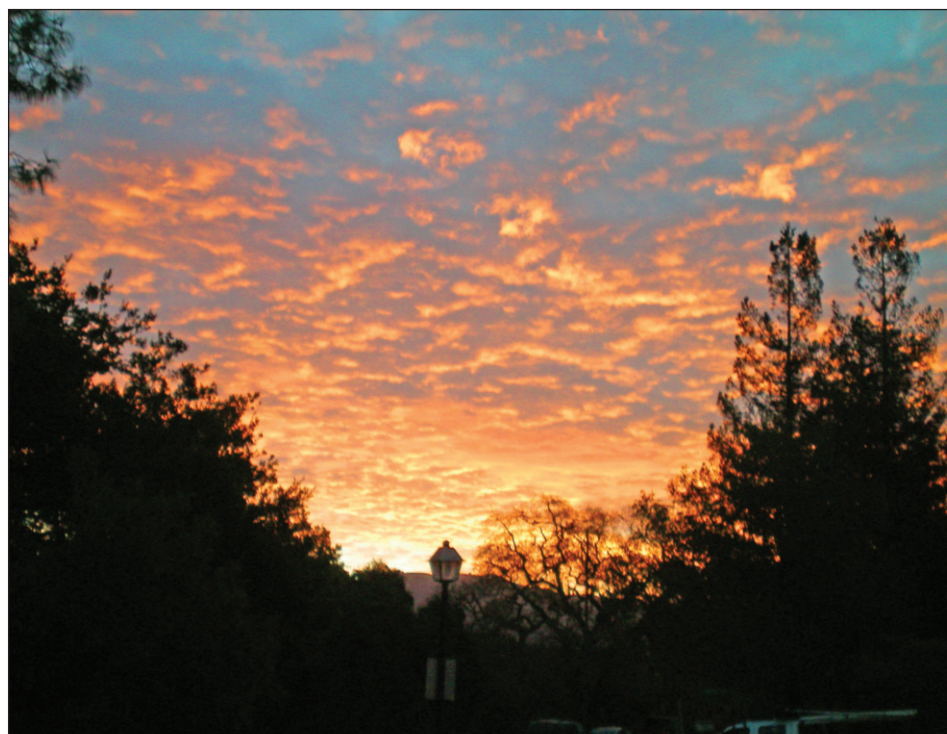
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Evergreen: The year in review

By Frank Shortt
Times staff writer

The year 2018 has provided a plethora of articles showing the cooperation and kindness of our wonderful Evergreen ethnic mixture.

Sony Nordby, of Cambodian descent ventured into the donut business. Her shop, Daily Donuts, is still going strong.

There were several automobile crashes at the corner of Yerba Buena Road and Yerba Buena Avenue. Local law enforcement showed great cooperation in that health and safety was first and foremost. It is hoped that reminders from the *Evergreen Times* articles helped to cut down on the crashes.

Lest we forget, winter came in late February, 2018 and surprised a lot of folks with snow on the Evergreen foothills. Could this repeat February 2019? Several kindergarteners had

never seen snow before and one named Bella cried excitedly, "I want to go up there and sleigh!" February, March, and April, 2018, produced little measurable rain thus adding to the chagrin of those hoping for a wet 2018.

Three young men from Evergreen Valley High School began a bicycle repair and donation business to help those less fortunate. Bryan Kaing, Nicholas Kenny, and Nicholas Harder began Dreamcycle, because they wanted to give back to the community. Used bikes can still be seen in the Kenny back yard. Evergreen Valley High School also provided a new board member for the Oak Grove School District in the person of Science teacher, Brian LoBue.

Laurelwood Elementary School was mentioned several times in 2018 as they built a Science Community Garden, received a new principal, and had their

first ever Dance Showcase (a great success), and, overall, has had a great school year so far. The school community sadly said goodbye to Dr. Hong Nguyen as she was reassigned to Tom Matsumoto School. Laurelwood also was able to update their dwindling library books by a donation from the PTA of that school.

It is hoped that the Evergreen School District budget woes were finally decided as one ten year old young lady sent them a letter describing how that monies could best be used and even offered her allowance to help the struggling district.

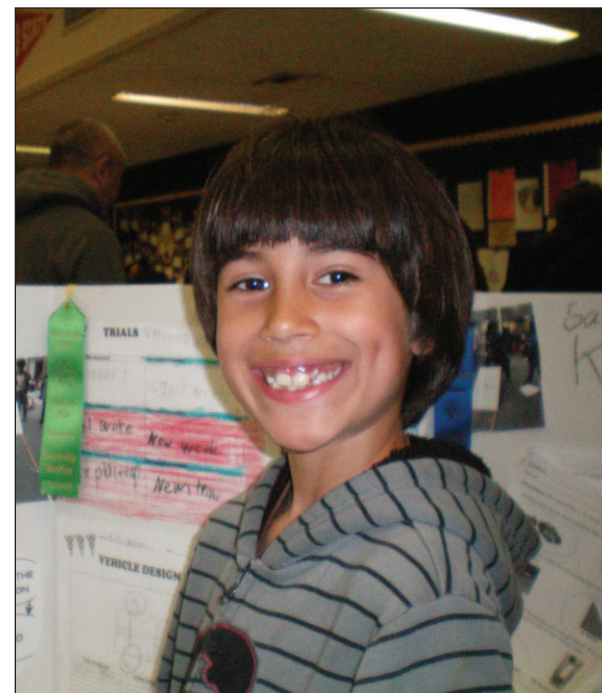
The homeless crisis in San Jose was highlighted by articles and graphic photographs showing the plight of the homeless, as well as, well-meaning residents who have chosen to do something about the crisis besides 'talk'! One

group, simply called "Sleeping Bags for the Homeless Bay Area" has taken it upon themselves to visit homeless camps to insure their basic needs of food, personal products, etc.

Evergreen School District, in spite of budget woes, received the California Exemplary District Award in 2018. It is hoped that their efforts have not gone unnoticed by the State of California and will help to bring in extra monies to encourage the staff of Evergreen on to greater goals.

National Night Out was celebrated by several Evergreen Communities as residents attended the event, getting to know their neighbors, and enjoying some food as a bonus. The 2018 event was greatly attended and it is hoped that this is the beginning of many more to come.

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Times **Community**

Lou Alexander, Villages Resident, and Modern Renaissance Man, was highlighted in 2018 because of his great work with a camera photographing nature. He unselfishly shares all his photos with whoever is interested and is often featured in the Times.

Yes, we were visited in 2018 by the bad element also. There was a rash of burglaries at the Yerba Buena shopping center on San Felipe Rd. and all businesses barely escaped. Thieves barely got enough to make it worth their while.

Lewis and Ann-Marie Tecson provided music for the Evergreen area in 2018. They were invited to perform for the Warriors opening game at Oracle Arena in San Jose. They are still going strong!

Cadwallader Elementary School was featured in 2018 as they hosted the Fire Department as part of the S.E.A.L. program. The school also played host to Shakespeare, as well as, science as presented by Johnson and Johnson.

John Montgomery Elementary School received a library facelift in 2018. The remodel encourages children to feel comfortable there as they read, check out books, or just lounge on the colorful carpets.

Sunrise Retirement Community received joyful music and singing as the St. Francis Vietnamese Choir provided an evening of entertainment for the residents there. This was orchestrated by one of the choir directors, Nga Doan who unselfishly shared the children's talents with SRC, as well as, other venues.

Just as Bulldog Tech students of Leyva Middle School came through for Camp fire victims in Paradise, raising more than \$2,000 in their efforts, the Leyva Wrestling Team was named Santa Clara County Wrestling Team Champions.

With all the good happening in Evergreen in 2018, we should rejoice and be thankful!





Local Control and Accountability Plan Presentations and Feedback Forums

Audience: Parents, Community Members, and Students

January 8, 2019 6:00 PM Chaboya Middle School	January 9, 2019 8:45 AM O.B. Whaley School	January 16, 2019 6:00 PM LeyVa Middle School
January 23, 2019 6:00 PM Quimby Oak Middle School	January 25, 2019 8:30 AM Matsumoto School	

Ongoing feedback is critical to our work. We will also be discussing the new school accountability system. Assistant Superintendent Dan Deguara and Director of Instruction, Denise Williams will be presenting and answering questions.

Students in grades TK-8 are invited to join the student forum where they will provide their feedback and see feedback from other students.

Please visit www.eesd.org to view the agenda.

Plan Local para el Control de la Responsabilidad (LCAP) Presentación y foro de comentarios

Audiencia: padres de familia, miembros de la comunidad, y estudiantes

Los comentarios constantes son fundamentales para nuestro trabajo. También hablaremos del nuevo sistema de responsabilidad escolar. La directora de Instrucción, Denise Williams, y Superintendente Auxiliar Es Deguara presentarán y responderán preguntas.

Visiten www.eesd.org para más información.

Buổi Thuyết Trình và Diễn Dàn Phản Hồi về Kế Hoạch Thực Thi Trách Nhiệm và Kiểm Soát Địa Phương Đối Tượng: Phụ Huynh, Thành Viên Cộng Đồng và Học Sinh

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Vui lòng truy cập www.eesd.org.

Times Community News



Gifts for Teens volunteers load the truck with holiday gift bags and special gifts for low income and homeless teens in the South Bay. Pictured in the back row: **Russell Markman, Karelle Cornwell, Mark Damon, Bob Benoit, Kylie Kammerer, and Elaine Benoit.** Front row: **Francesca Medina, Frances Wilson, Carol Fitting, Jan Giroux, and Lea Kammerer.**

'Gifts for Teens' brings holiday cheer to South Bay teens

Gifts for Teens, a local non-profit, once again mobilized community and corporate volunteers to prepare and assemble 1,289 holiday gift bags and special gifts for low-income and homeless teens in the South Bay.

Now in its twenty-first year, Gifts for Teens distributed these gift bags to social agencies serving disadvantaged teens; which include Bill Wilson Center, Unity Care, Advent, HomeFirst and Sacred Heart Community Service. For many of these teens, this gift bag will be the only present received during the holiday season.

Besides a warm sweatshirt, USB drive, tee shirts, hygiene kit, gift cards and more useful items, each teen also received a warm pair of pajamas through the generosity of the Pajama Program, Bay Area Chapter.

"Gifts for Teens is grateful to all the community and corporate volunteers, generous donors, teen initiated school drives, local businesses, knitting clubs and all the behind the scenes volunteers year round who together make this all possible," said Jan Giroux, Gifts for Teens volunteer.

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Travels of Guru Nanak

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Truth is high; but higher still is truthful living. ||5||

Dear Evergreen Community,

Guru Nanak (Sri Guru Granth Sahib Pg. 62)

The Sikh community of the San Jose Gurdwara wishes to send you and your family warm wishes for a wonderful new year.

We welcome everyone to feel comfortable in visiting the Gurdwara any day of the year and we want to thank you for all of your kind wishes of goodness to our culture. As you know in our religion we honor other religions and do not proselytize or ask others to join, but instead respect all as family.

Today we wish to let you know that in this year 2019 we will celebrate the joyous occasion of honoring our first Guru who traveled the world to bring goodness and wisdom to all. It will be the 550th birth anniversary of his honor. His name is Guru Nanak and we use the present tense use of referring to him for we believe he is still here with us and guides us in all we do with his words and those of the other gurus in our Holy Book we reverently refer to as the Sri Guru Granth Sahib.



Please come and enjoy complementary food available any day of the year at the Gurdwara and take a tour too. We extend our welcome to everyone!

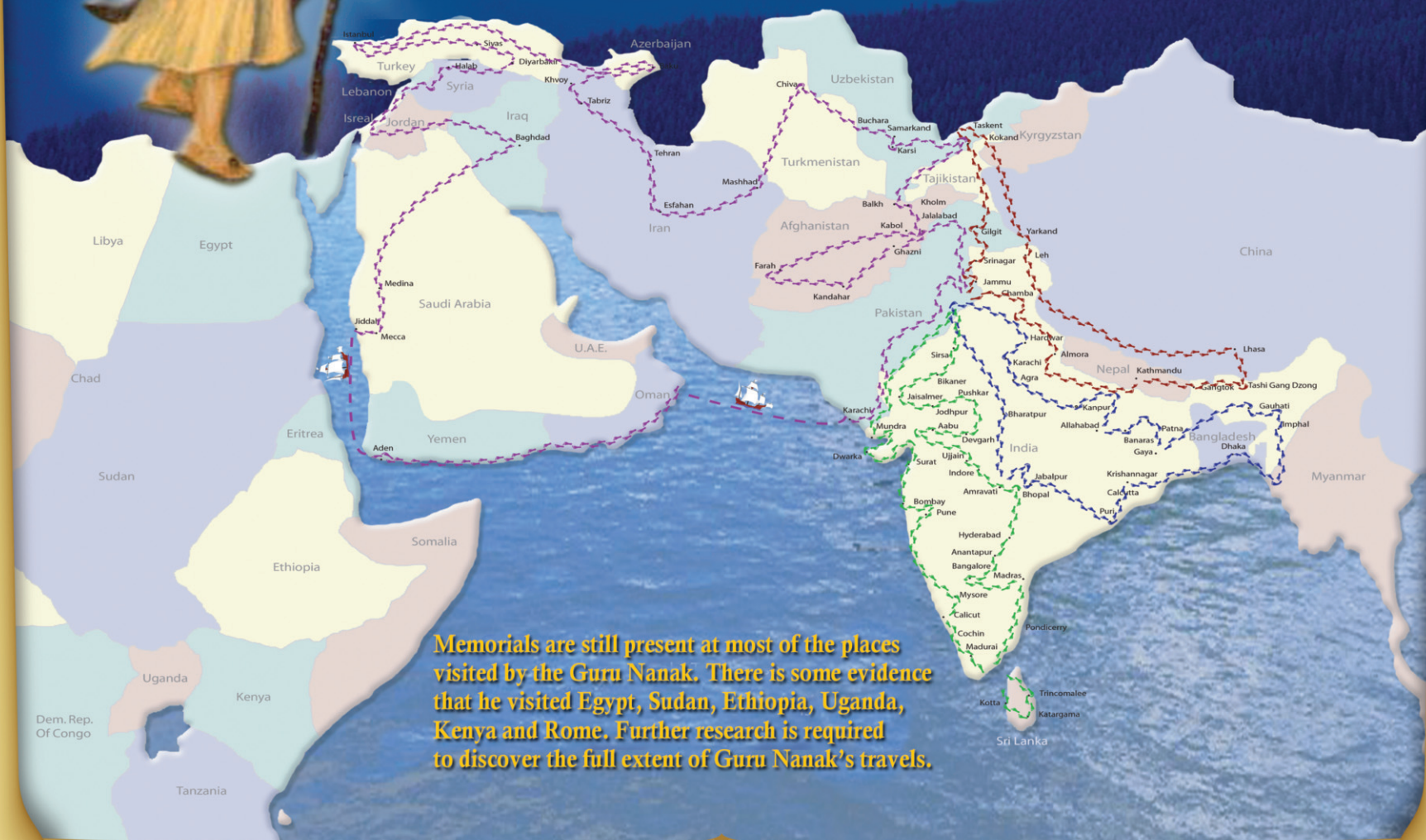
Thank you for being a good neighbor to make our community great!

For more information and to download our app, please visit our website at: sanjosegurdwara.org. Donations are kindly welcomed for we help all in the community.

Bob Dhillon
President of the San Jose Sikh Gurdwara

Guru Nanak saw the world suffering from hatred, fanaticism, falsehood and hypocrisy. Hence, he made a pledge to humanity and spent approximately a quarter of a century travelling around the world to inspire mankind to live a truthful life. Guru Nanak and his companion (Bhai Mardana) travelled on foot and revolutionized the world through singing praises of the divine. Throughout his four journeys, he visited and engaged in religious discourse with the leaders of various faiths including Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, Jains, Sufis, Yogis and Sidhas.

The Guru urged every person of faith to delve deeper into their own faiths to find the common truth of ੴ (One Creator) rather than converting from one religion to another. He encouraged all individuals to seek the truth that is common to all religions and forsake futile practices. When the fight was between "my way to my God" is better than "your way to your God," he declared that there was only one Creator of all, though there were many ways to reach Him. He encouraged everyone to seek within their own heart and realize that there is one Creator which exists everywhere and in every heart, regardless of religion, color or creed.



Memorials are still present at most of the places visited by the Guru Nanak. There is some evidence that he visited Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda, Kenya and Rome. Further research is required to discover the full extent of Guru Nanak's travels.

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The Seven SPHERES of Life:

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Take a look at your social life in terms of your communication skills and dive into how you feel in your own skin when interacting with others.

Personal

In attempting to be your personal best self, work to have an abundance of respect and compassion for yourself. Take care of yourself by nurturing an authentic, positive self-image to see benefits reach other spheres of your life.

Health

If you're unhealthy, it's difficult to be your best self in other areas. The goal should be to act in your own best interests when it comes to your physical health in order to feel your best and be at your best.

Education

Even if you didn't enjoy school or believe you simply don't like the process of taking in new information, you may still be thirsty for knowledge in areas that interest you on a deeper level. Find what quenches your unique interests and explore the best methods to learn in those areas.

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The Board has decided to fill the vacancy by provisional appointment until the next regularly scheduled Board election. The term of the appointment is:

February 2019 to December 2020

Any registered voter eligible to hold public office who lives within the boundaries of the Mt. Pleasant School District may apply for the vacancy. Application packets are available at the District Office (3434 Marten Avenue, San Jose, CA 95148) and on the District's website (<http://www.mpsed.org/>).

The completed packet and all supporting documentation are to be returned to the Superintendent's office at the above address, or via email to the Superintendent at mengle@mpsed.org, by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 18, 2019. The Board will make its selection following the interviews.

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Times Feature



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Symphony Silicon Valley presents Brahms & Dvorák January 19 and 20

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Brahms & Dvorák on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. at The California Theatre, 345 South First Street in downtown San Jose.

The program will present Johannes Brahms: Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major, Op. 83 and Antonín Dvorák: Symphony No. 8 in G major, 88, B. 163

Conductor: Daniel Meyer Soloist: Jon Kimura Parker, piano

About Jon Kimura

Internationally acclaimed concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker was born, raised, and educated in Vancouver. His extraordinary career has taken him from Carnegie Hall and the Sydney Opera House to Baffin Island and Zimbabwe. A true Canadian ambassador of music, Mr. Parker has given two command performances for Queen Elizabeth II, special performances for the United States Supreme Court, and has performed for the Prime Ministers of Canada and Japan. Pianist Jon Kimura Parker is famed for his "infectious elan and gargantuan technique." His outsized technique will be on special demand for the first work on the program, a concerto built on a heroic symphonic scale that requires sheer stamina as well as supreme artistry. A masterpiece of musical contrasts, it is also filled with lyrical interludes, including an extended cello solo. Dvorák's symphony follows, inventive but gentler, almost idyllic, and irresistibly tuneful. While he was writing it, Dvorák himself marveled "melodies simply pour out of me."

About Daniel Meyer

As Music Director of the Erie Philharmonic, Artistic Director of the Westmoreland Symphony, and a conductor who maintains an active guest conducting schedule in the US and abroad, Daniel Meyer has reinvigorated orchestras with his innovative programs, engaging presence and keen musical intellect.

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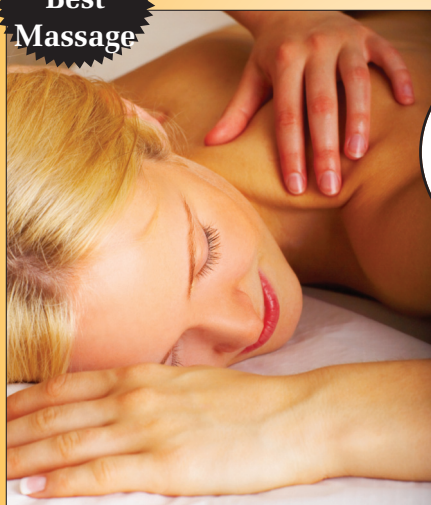


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Times Review

Mike Bloomberg names San José winner in Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge

San José is one of 20 cities to be awarded resources and technical support to help achieve their ambitious climate goals under the Bloomberg American Cities Challenge

Bloomberg Philanthropies recently announced San José, California, as a winning city in the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge, a \$70 million program that will accelerate 20 ambitious cities' efforts to tackle climate change and promote a sustainable future for residents. Through the Climate Challenge – which is part of Bloomberg's American Cities Initiative, a suite of more than \$200 million in investments to strengthen city halls and advance critical policies – San José is accepted into a two-year acceleration program and will be provided powerful new resources and access to innovative support to help meet or beat the city's near-term carbon-reduction goals.

"Cities are helping to keep America moving forward on climate change despite the lack of leadership from Washington, and this challenge was designed to help innovative mayors reach their goals," said Mike Bloomberg. "We were looking for cities with ambitious and realistic plans to cut emissions in ways that improve people's lives and mayors committed to getting the job done. Each of these winning cities brings those ingredients to the table, and we're looking forward to working with them and seeing what they can accomplish."

Bloomberg Philanthropies selected San José as a winning city because of its innovative and ambitious climate action plan, Climate Smart San José, that will reduce air pollution and city-wide emissions with specific projects aimed at reforming the transit and buildings sectors, areas which are typically responsible for 90 percent of all citywide emissions. Bloomberg Philanthropies also recognized San José Mayor Sam Liccardo for his commitment to ambitious climate action and securing a cleaner, safer and healthier environment and economy for San José citizens.

"As an increasing frequency of wild-fires, floods and other natural disasters threatens cities across the country, we must accelerate our efforts to combat climate change," Liccardo said. "We're honored to participate in the American Cities Climate Challenge and thank Bloomberg Philanthropies for investing in the success of our pioneering Climate Smart San José plan. As a Climate Challenge winner, the City of San José will continue pursuing innovative policies and initiatives that will help lead us to a more sustainable

future."

The City of San José was one of the first U.S. cities to adopt a Paris Agreement-aligned climate action plan and is committed to actions and policies needed to keep global temperature rise below 1.5 degrees Celsius. Winners of the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge will be provided robust technical assistance and a support package valued at up to \$2.5 million per city. San José plans to use the support from the Climate Challenge around shifting to sustainable transportation, electrification and phasing out the use of fossil fuels in buildings.

"Reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation and building sectors are at the heart of Climate Smart San José, our communitywide initiative to reduce air pollution, save water and improve quality of life," said Kerrie Romanow, the City's Chief Sustainability Officer and Director of the Environmental Services Department. "The decisions we make today are critical to ensuring a safe and sustainable city. We are thrilled to work with Bloomberg Philanthropies to realize the ambitious goals of Climate Smart."

As Climate Challenge winners, San José and 19 other cities will receive resources and support including a philanthropy-funded team member to facilitate the development and passage of high-impact policies, training for senior leadership to assist with implementation of climate plans, and citizen engagement support to maximize community buy-in.

San José will work with Bloomberg Philanthropies and its partners to turbocharge the implementation of Climate Smart San José, which was approved in February by the San José City Council, by translating the following ideas and others into action by 2020:

- the development and implementation of a shared electric-vehicle strategy, including education and incentives
- the implementation of high-priority segments for the City's walking and bicycling network and the inclusion of new mobility options such as bike- and scooter-sharing systems
- the implementation of energy-reduction programs and policies for commercial businesses and the development of a roadmap to eliminate natural gas in residential housing
- an electric vehicle- and solar-readiness ordinance

Building on the America's Pledge initiative, which aims to keep the United States in the Paris Agreement, the Climate Challenge underscores Bloomberg's dedication to action, as this investment will translate city

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Climate

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commitments into tangible climate achievements. Bloomberg will announce the remaining winners of the Climate Challenge on a rolling basis throughout the fall, highlighting the ongoing, ambitious and impactful actions cities are taking every day to address the growing threat of climate change.

About the San José Environmental Services Department (ESD)

San José, Capital of Silicon Valley, is the largest city in Northern California and the 10th largest city in the nation. The San José Environmental Services Department leads Climate Smart San José and manages garbage and recycling services; watershed protection and pollution prevention; municipal drinking water and recycled water; sustainability initiatives; and the operation and infrastructure improvements of the San José-Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility. ESD's mission is to deliver world-class utility services and programs to improve our health, environment and economy.

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About the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge

Recognizing that cities account for more than 70% of global carbon emissions, the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge was formed with an investment of \$70 million to enhance the work already being done by mayors across the U.S. and to support cities in the fight against climate change. The Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge aims to go beyond the theoretical and scale up high-impact urban climate solutions that are already proven to succeed – specifically, from the buildings and transportation sectors. World-class partners for the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge will be led by the Natural Resources Defense Council and Delivery Associates. The Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge is part of Mike Bloomberg's American Cities Initiative, a suite of more than \$200 million in investments to strengthen city halls and advance critical policies.


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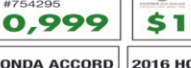
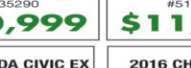
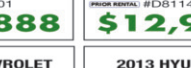









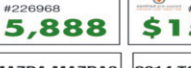
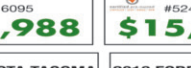
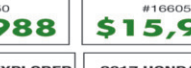
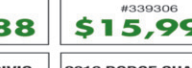





















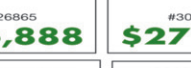





















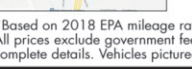
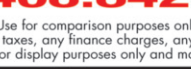
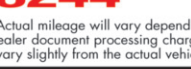
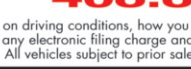
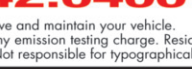
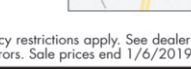






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3 popular eating plans you'll come across in the New Year

If you're thinking about revamping how you eat in the new year, you might want to think twice about the trendy dairy-free plans that crop up on your social media feed - as they could leave you missing out on nutrients you need.

Three of the most popular and health-promoting eating plans of the moment - the Mediterranean Diet, Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) Diet and Flexitarian Diet - all include dairy milk as an important component, and according to a study in the "Journal of the American Dietetic Association," it's hard to get nutrients you need without it.

New research also suggests adding an extra serving of dairy to the Mediterranean Diet makes it even more nutritious, boosting amounts of calcium, vitamin D and potassium without exceeding recommendations for nutrients to limit, like saturated fat and sodium, according to a study published in "The Journal of the American College of Nutrition." A second new study found not only does incorporating more dairy improve the quality of the diet, it benefits health, as well - specifically improving blood pressure and levels of good cholesterol (HDL) compared to a standard low-fat diet, according to research in "The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition." While the Mediterranean Diet typically includes around two servings of dairy a day, these studies built in 3-4.

The DASH Diet, long known for its positive effects on heart health, includes three servings of low-fat or fat-free dairy per day. Good news for fans of whole milk: it may be just as effective when it includes full-fat dairy, too, according to recent research in "The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition." Researchers found a DASH diet that included whole milk and other full-fat dairy products lowered blood pressure just as much as the traditional version.

As a high-quality, complete protein, dairy milk is also an important part of the Flexitarian Diet, which encourages more plants and less meat. Many plant-based proteins are incomplete, which means they don't provide some of the building blocks your body needs. Dairy milk is also an important source of calcium, as substituting milk with non-dairy calcium sources like fortified soy milk or leafy greens can lead to gaps in other key nutrients such as protein, vitamin D, phosphorus, riboflavin, potassium, magnesium, vitamin A and vitamin B12, according to a study in the journal "Nutrition Research."

Instead of eating in a way that could leave you at risk of nutrient deficiencies, opt for a more balanced approach to the new year and consider a plan that includes dairy milk. Visit MilkLife.com for more information and milk-inspired recipes.

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EarthTalk: Is so-called eco-friendly dry cleaning a reality?

By the Editors of *E - The Environmental Magazine*
Dear EarthTalk: Is so-called eco-friendly dry cleaning a reality?

– Jane Krause, Garden City, NJ

Although some greener alternatives exist, most dry cleaners still use perchloroethylene (“perc” for short), a petroleum-based solvent that can be hazardous to the human central nervous system, with exposure causing head-aches, nausea, dizziness and memory problems for some people.

Perc’s constituent components—phosgene, vinyl chloride, carbon tetrachloride and tri-chloroacetic acid (TCA)—have also been linked to a range of other health issues, including liver and kidney malfunction, reproductive abnormalities and even cancer. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulates perc under the Toxic Substances Control Act, the Clean Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Luckily for consumers, safer alternatives to perc for dry cleaning are available. The most common comes from a company called GreenEarth Cleaning, whose products and process form the backbone of a large network of independent “green” dry cleaners across the United States. GreenEarth’s process uses biodegradable liquid silicone—essentially liquified sand—in place of petrochemicals. Since liquid silicone is chemically inert, it doesn’t chemically react with fabric fibers, and is safe to use on delicate garments—beads, lace, silk, cashmere—and won’t cause shrinkage.

And perhaps best of all, it breaks down into natural elements (sand, water and carbon dioxide) that are safe for air, water, soil and people. In fact, liquid silicone is so safe that it is often a base ingredient in many everyday shampoos, conditioners and lotions that we put right onto our skin with no ill effects.

Another green alternative to dry cleaning is so-called professional wet cleaning, whereby fabric is laundered in a computer-controlled washer and dryer that uses water along with specialized soaps and conditioners instead of solvent—and spins its contents much more slowly than a typical home washing machine. The result is that it’s much gentler on fragile clothing.

Yet another eco-friendly choice is liquid carbon dioxide (CO2) cleaning, which uses pressurized CO2 in combination with other gentle cleaning agents to dissolve dirt, fats and oils in clothing instead of perc.

One often-overlooked option is simply to hand-wash delicate clothes and fabrics in Woolite or some other non-toxic detergent, and then hang them to dry. If you need your hand-washed clothes to

have a finished pressed look, you can take them to a standard cleaner for pressing only.

Despite the existence of greener alternatives, four out of five dry

cleaners still use perc. Consumers should beware of dry cleaners that advertise their process as organic, given that perc can be considered organic because its petroleum-

based chemicals do come out of the ground. Just because they might recycle hangers or plastic bags doesn’t get them off the hook as polluters if they use perc or

other hazardous substances or processes.

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District 8 Community Roundtable

1st Thursday of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Location: Village Square" library (For information, visit d8crt.org)

CalRTA-Area V-Div. 70 Retired Teachers Organization. Meets bi-monthly at various eastside cafes also conducts a variety of holiday socials/activities and scholarship fundraisers. Established in 1983! All teaching levels and others welcome. This organization supports the goals and purposes of the California Teachers' Retirement System.

For more information call E. Paros at (408) 274-1609 or email parosej@sbcglobal.net.
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.ebagroup.org.

Evergreen-East Valley Realtors Marketing Meeting

Meets each Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The EEVRMM invites realtors, brokers, lenders and related affiliates to its breakfast meeting. Market your listings, match buyers with sellers and share real estate success stories. Meetings are held at New Seasons 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd San Jose Ca 95138. \$3 admission, coffee and pastries included. For more information, call David Castillo at 238-2000.

Evergreen School District Board of Trustees

Meetings are typically held on the second Thursday of every month, in the district boardroom at 3188 Quimby Road. For more information, call (408) 270-6800.

The Evergreen Senior Advisory Council meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Get involved in helping plan events for seniors, volunteering for a good cause, and getting to know your fellow seniors. For more information, call the Evergreen Community Center at (408) 270-2220.

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 rhvaa.org)

Rotary Club of San Jose East/Evergreen meets every Thursday from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. at the Drying Shed Restaurant, 402 Toyon Ave., San Jose. (408) 270-0557.

Story Road Business Association

Meets third Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at Prusch Park, South King Road at Story. For more information, call 238-5422.

San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Board

Normally meets second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Meetings in the District Office, Board Room, 40 S. Market St., San Jose, CA 95113.

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

Silver Creek (PTSA) Parent, Teacher, Student Association
Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday in the Silver Creek High School Principal's Conference Room, 3434 Silver Creek Road. For more information, call 347-5830.

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

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

Tully Ocala Capitol King Neighborhood Association
1st Monday of every other month from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Location: Boys & Girls Clubs of Silicon Valley - Smythe Clubhouse

West Evergreen Neighborhood Assn
This group represents the area bounded approximately by Flanigan Drive, South King Road, Aborn Road, and Alvin Avenue. Meets the third Tuesday at O.B. Whaley Elementary School, 2655 Alvin Ave., 7 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the association at 535-8613.

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2957 Bowery Lane	\$1,825,000	5	4 0	3,811	10,553
5210 Thorncreek Court	\$1,780,000	5	3 0	2,999	16,328
6306 Skywalker Drive	\$1,356,000	3	2 0	2,097	8,640
3118 Capelaw Court	\$1,350,000	4	2 0	1,860	7,980
2822 Norcrest Court	\$1,295,000	4	2 1	2,124	8,030
3726 Slopeview Drive	\$1,275,000	4	2 0	1,902	7,980
3160 Markwood Court	\$1,270,000	4	2 1	1,931	8,329
2987 Davidwood Way	\$1,215,000	4	2 0	1,829	6,000
2750 Henessy Drive	\$1,210,121	5	4 0	2,876	10,962
2785 Aldworth Drive	\$1,100,000	4	3 0	2,039	7,756
3621 Woodley Drive	\$1,080,000	3	2 0	1,519	8,000
4295 Voltaire Street	\$1,075,000	3	2 1	1,532	2,292
3483 Clover Oak Drive	\$1,063,000	3	2 0	1,809	8,040
2805 Danwood Court	\$1,025,000	4	2 1	1,802	9,315
3419 Gila Drive	\$953,800	5	2 1	2,189	6,152
2922 Tolliver Drive	\$925,000	3	3 0	1,322	3,998
3287 Napa Drive	\$905,000	3	2 0	1,554	6,419
2770 Judkins Court	\$882,000	3	2 0	1,320	6,100
7775 Beltane Drive	\$880,000	2	2 0	1,804	435
7867 Prestwick Circle	\$850,000	2	2 0	1,804	435
3422 Guluzzo Drive	\$845,000	4	2 1	1,774	6,600
7544 Morevern Circle	\$784,000	2	2 0	1,509	1,915
1696 Alder Creek Court	\$715,000	3	2 1	1,622	1,948
6219 Wehner Way	\$625,000	2	2 0	1,340	2,400

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2215 Bellington Court	\$1,960,000	5	3 1	3,784	13,110
5806 Vitero Way	\$1,802,000	4	4 0	3,014	8,000
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