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A girl receives a gift from **Eric Thames**. *Photo by Raina lyer*

Major league baseball player Eric Thames returns to Evergreen YMCA to give back to children

group of 67 students from Evergreen/ East Valley Family YMCA after-school programs at Dove Hill and O.B. Whaley elementary schools were filled with holiday cheer last December after learning they would receive new shoes See THAMES, page 3

SOS Auto Repair opens for business at former Hinman's Garage location

SOS Auto Repair seems to be what Evergreen needs

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

A fter Hinman's Garage served the Evergreen Community for nearly 50 years, we will now have another auto repair to take their place.

February 1, 2019 is the scheduled official opening of this new venture by Art and Evelyn Ramirez who for five years ran SOS Auto Repair on Lincoln Avenue in Willow Glen.

"We lost our lease at our previous location so we put out the word to our previous customers," said Art. "Based on their loyalty and love for us, they are the ones who found this location for us. We are so grateful to them."

This hopeful couple would classify their new business venture as "General and Complete Auto Repair." Art is totally qualified to make this dream a reality as he has 25 years of strong leadership, problem-solving and customer service skills. His attention to detail sets a solid platform for great communication in all aspects of the business.

Art graduated from Sequoia Institute in the late '90s and holds various certificates from Snap-on Tools. SOS was voted Auto Repair shop of the year in 2016 by Consumer Business Review while their shop was located on Lincoln Avenue. The award will most assuredly have an honored place of distinc-



Art Ramirez is totally qualified to make this new auto repair service a reality as he has 25 years of strong leadership, problem-solving and customer service skills.

tion at the new shop!

Art and Evelyn have a solid family base as confirmed by Art, "My wife and I have three wonderful children, Carlos age 19, Gabriel age 16, and Victoria age 14. Carlos works full time and takes business classes when not at

work. Gabriel is a sophomore in High School and loves to work with his hands. He is always right behind me while I am working (following my footsteps). Victoria is a freshman in High School who is in choir (loves to See SOS AUTO REPAIR, page 3

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Milan Restaurant under new management



Milan Restaurant is now open for business as usual at 4898 San Felipe Rd.

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

fter all of the suspense around the holidays concerning Milan Restaurant 98 San Felipe Road in

at 4898 San Felipe Road in Evergreen when the restaurant mysteriously closed their doors to the public for one week without any immediate explanation for the closing.

Some said one thing, some another, but after all was said and done, they are now in 'business as usual.' The reason for the closing was a change in management with the appointment of Roberto Rivera as

Milan's General Manager and business partner along with the former owners.

Roberto came to the U.S. 25 years ago. He states, "I have been working in the hospitality industry for 22 years. I began at a server position and worked my way to a management position in fine dining, old fashioned style Italian restaurants such as: Michaels (Sunnyvale), Marianni's (Santa Clara), Nemea (Downtown San Jose), and former Pasta Pomodoro for 10 years (Evergreen), so I am very familiar with the Evergreen Valley community."

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Times **Feature**

Thames

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courtesy of Eric Thames, first baseman for the Milwaukee Brewers and New Balance.

The MLB star returned to the Y during his trip home for the holidays to answer student's questions and assist with shoe distribution in the same room where he learned Taekwondo as a child.

Earlier in the year, Thames committed to a generous multiyear donation to support youth programs through the Y's annual campaign. Each year, the campaign raises the critical funds needed to offer financial assistance to those in need. The campaign's goal is to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive regardless of their background or ability to pay. Thames' investment will impact nearly 40 percent of the average number of feebased program participants.

Thames experienced first-hand the importance of children having a safe place to belong and stay active outside of school hours as a student in East Valley Family YMCA's after-school program at Valle Vista. At age five, Thames had his first experience in athletics as a participant in the Y's basketball program. It was there that he learned the importance of teamwork and the value of diversity, all while embracing the Y's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. He also participated in the summer day camp program where he was able to foster relationships while staying active. During his teenage years, Thames continued visiting the Y to work out, build strength and endurance.

"YMCA programs provide children with somewhere safe to develop skills that will carry them throughout their lives. Many of the skills and values that are important to me were cultivated there. Had others not donated their time and resources. I wouldn't have had access to Y programs. That's why I consider it important to pay it forward, help others realize their potential and pursue their dreams by giving back through the Y," said Thames.

According to the Afterschool Alliance, a



Eric Thames hands a gift to a curious boy. Photo by Raina Iyer

nonprofit public awareness organization, 11.3 million children head to homes where they are unsupervised from 3 to 6 p.m. Through a well-rounded approach to youth development, the Y's program offers activities in a caring and safe environment during those critical hours. Whether through sports, mentorship or academic support, the Y nurtures the potential of youth and teens throughout the school

In addition to program funding, Thames committed to a significant donation of shoes and apparel each year throughout the multiyear commitment thanks to his partnership with New Balance.

"Doing well, doing good and doing right is woven into our culture at New Balance. We are in a great position to be able to make an impact, and we want to embrace that opportunity. Through grants, global volunteerism, cooperative marketing, sponsorships, in-kind donations and our athlete's involvement, New Balance aims to improve the health and well-being of children and families worldwide. Fueling the next generation's passion for movement and the pursuit of lifelong health is one of three initiatives that bring our NB Gives Back mission to life. We are fortunate to partner with elite athletes who share this mission," said New Balance vice president of sports marketing, Ray Hilvert.

For more information on how you can support East Valley Family YMCA in their effort to maximize impact in the area of development, pleasewww.ymcasv.org/givingev.

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sing) and is very artistic! All three children help around the shop when not in school or working. We are a very close family. We have two small dogs, Charlie and Bear, and we also have two cats, Sunny and Luna. Once our construction is complete everyone will be able to meet Charlie and Bear."

Art continues, "While we are under construction we are making some small changes to enable our customers to have a comfortable experience, meanwhile keeping the building's historic feel."

Like any couple starting out, Art and Evelyn faced some hardships to reach this point in life. Art states, "We struggled to make ends meet while working the jobs we held in the beginning. After our eighthour shifts I was a mobile mechanic and Evelyn would help by answering my phone and doing parts runs when needed, all the while taking care of our kids. At one point we were able to rent a small space in a body shop where I would work



Art and Evelyn Ramirez

late at night and weekends. In May, 2013, we noticed that a shop on Lincoln Avenue had closed down. We drove by it a few times and one day left a business card, with a little note, asking them to call us if the building was available to rent. Long story short, we were blessed to open our own shop. For five great years we met some incredible people and made many close friends.'

It looks as though Art, Evelyn, their three children and four pets have found a new home in Evergreen!

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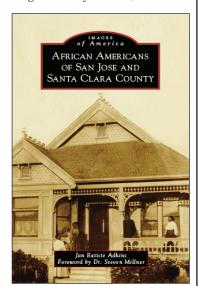
New book chronicles the history of African Americans of San Jose and Santa Clara County

By Frank Shortt

Times staff writer

rcadia Publishing is proud to announce the upcoming publication of 'African Americans of San Jose and Santa Clara County.'

This new book, brainchild of Jan Batiste Adkins, educator and lecturer, reveals the rich history of people of African heritage in the Santa Clara Valley which began as early as 1770, and in the



1800's.

Adkins already has two other books to her credit, African Americans in San Francisco and African Americans in Monterey County. Adkins spent the last ten years researching the lives and stories of African Americans living in Northern California.

For the last 11 years, Jan Batiste Adkins has been an adjunct faculty member at San Jose City College teaching English composition and literature. Since 2000, Jan has been teaching high school English at Independence High School in San Jose, California. She has taught at both the high school and community college levels in both Oregon and California since 1992.

Jan was born in Pullman, Washington and raised in Portland, Oregon. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Oregon. Jan continued graduate academic pursuits completing coursework at several distinguished universities to include Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Stanford University. Jan currently holds a master's degree in Education and



Jan Adkins

a master's degree in comparative literature from San Jose State University.

Writing in the genres of historical nonfiction and poetry has been a hobby of Jan's since the early 1990s. Over the last 10 years, Jan has developed a passion for literary research as evidenced in the content of her Master's Thesis Literary Prose

and Poetry in San Francisco's Black Newspapers, 1862-1885 completed in 2009. In 2018, an article titled "Blacks in San Francisco" was published by Oxford Press in the African American History Series

Chapter one of the book is devoted to Black Pioneers of Santa Clara County from 1770-

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A look back, and four years ahead

By Mayor Sam Liccardo Special to the Times

he New Year brought a milestone and a millstone, of sorts. The milestone: the conclusion of my first term in office, and the beginning of my second and final four-year term. But it came with new challenges as well: a cycling collision with an SUV left me laid up for a couple of weeks with broken vertebrae in my back, and a fractured chest plate. My time convalescing has given me an opportunity to reflect on the work we've done with the community, and to plan our journey for the next four years.

I'm grateful for the 76% of voters who supported my re-election last spring, enabling

me to continue to do a job that I love and to serve my community. I also appreciate that

I have taken an oath to serve 100% of our residents-not only those who supported me, but most importantly those who felt-often justifiably-I didn't serve them well enough.

I've learned much over my first term in office: the importance of forging partnerships outside of City Hall, of building a great team, and of learning from those who dissent and disagree. I've also learned well that in governance, what matters most will often never make the headlines. For example, dramatic improvements in emergency

medical response by our Fire Department, for example-which has now met or exceeded its previously elusive response time targets for eight consecutive months as a result of critical investments in people and technology-will save lives. But it won't make the news.



Mayor Sam Liccardo

So, for those interested in a deeper dive into the work we have collectively undertaken, I've prepared a series of pieces discussing each of these issues in detail. For each of the next several months, I'll discuss the policies and programs we've implemented over the last four years regarding six key priorities. I'll bluntly admit what hasn't worked, illuminate a few successes, and most importantly, identify our next steps.

In the months ahead, I'll discuss several critical priorities: public safety, equity and prosperity,

transportation, the environment, innovation, and community engagement. Today, though, we'll focus on the most daunting challenge facing our community, and all of California: housing and homelessness.

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1899. The remaining seven chapters covers the Great Migration in the 1900s when neighborhoods in San Jose, Palo Alto and Santa Clara became home to many African Americans from Southern and Midwest states seeking new opportunities.

By the 1960s, African Americans found jobs in the emerging technology industry, at Ford Motor Company, and in public service agencies. They also pursued degrees at San Jose State College (SJSC), the University of Santa Clara, Stanford University, and community colleges located in the Santa Clara Valley. SJSC's athletic programs opened the door for student athletes, while Dr. Harry Edwards, John Carlos, and Tommy Smith took on civil rights challenges.

This book is being published just in time for African American History Month which begins February 1, 2019 and also chronicles the complicated history of the black community throughout Santa Clara County which has mirrored the nation's slow progress towards social and economic success. progress is captured in the presented images chronicling individual stories of political struggle, success, and triumph.

Some well-known educators of San Jose not mentioned in this book are the Henry Brothers, Louis and Ross, who spent many years in the education of Eastside San Jose youth during the time of the tumultuous civil rights movements throughout America. Also, it is well to mention Mr. T.J. Owens, who was dean of students at San Jose City College for many years. He was responsible for the education of many business leaders and political figures of Santa Clara County through the Kameelah Green. Principal of Laurelwood School in the Evergreen School District states, "Some ladies who have been my mentors in Evergreen are: Leila Welch, Hedwig Gayle Rucker, and Tonya Trim." It would be difficult to mention all the wonderful African American educators in the Evergreen area, but during this time of African American History Month we salute you!

African Americans of San Jose and Santa Clara County is available through Amazon. com and Barnes and Noble.



Mayor and Council approve requirements for scooters

In response to widespread reports of serious injuries as a result of electric Scooter collisions in U.S. cities, Mayor Liccardo and the City Council approved requirements that e-scooter companies deploy innovative technology-based safe-

ty solutions to operate in San Jose.

The Mayor calls for companies to leverage geo-fencing technology to prevent scooters from operating at high speeds on sidewalks. The Mayor has also called for technology to be implemented to restrict designated parking locations to prevent scooters from parking in obstructive spaces - like ramps critical for ADA access.





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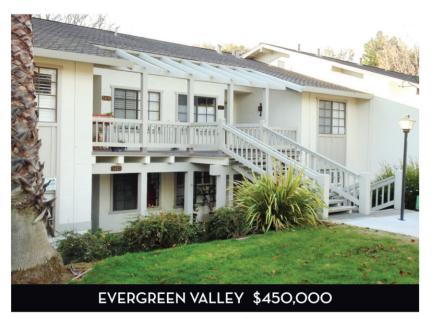
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Times Feature

Milan

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"I am aware of our community's desire to have a local fine-dining restaurant located in Evergreen, said Roberto. "I promised our customers that Milan would offer a wonderful dining experience. My philosophy is to make sure that the customers are treated well, feel welcome, and to leave Milan with an overall positive impression! My experience is in developing and improving plans for rest-

aurant's business generation and operation." Roberto holds a degree in Business Administration and Communication obtained from DeAnza College in Cupertino. He has also studied courses for Real Estate Licensing Services, Real Estate Finance, Real Estate Practice, and Principles of Real Estate. He also holds a Food Protection Manager Certificate obtained from ServSafe and in 2018 he was certified as a Professional Food Manager by Food Safety. His family consists of his wife, Angelica, and three children, Rebeka (29), Adrianna (24), and Bernardo (26).

The Chef is Luis Rodriquez whose specialties are Fine Dining Italian, Pastas, Meat and Homemade Dessert. The Shift Manager is Harrison Scroggins. Chef Rodriguez is placing an emphasis on Italian food, and also adding a hint of the Mediterranean experience.

Valentine's Day pre-fix menu

On February 14, Valentine's Day, a prefix menu will be available at Milan's which features a special five-course menu. There will be no regular menu on that day. On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Feb. 15-17, both the pre-fix menu and the regular menu will be available. The special pre-fix menu dinner for two features Pancetta wrapped petite Filet Mignon with lemon butter poached lob-

"The changes we have made consist of inside the organization and an active management change," said Roberto. "We will maintain the same consistency in the food along with improving customer serv-



Chef Louis Rodriquez



New Manager Roberto Rivera

ice. These are the things that will keep our customers coming back time after time!'

Roberto also announced that live music will be featured on Valentine's Day and every Friday thereafter. Music will be provided by Young Musicians of San Jose.

Price adjustments

Robert said that some menu items have been adjusted to give the same quality food for a reasonable price. "We recognize we are a neighborhood restaurant, and want everyone in the community to be able to enjoy fine dining with us, enjoying great food and our excellent service at reasonable prices. We have also introduced a new 'happy hour' menu for patrons dining Monday - Friday, 3-6 p.m., bar area only."

About Milan Restaurant

Milan Restaurant offers authentic Italian dining with a one-of-a-kind dining experience for guests. Customers can eat inside the restaurant or relax on an outdoor patio overlooking the vineyards, while enjoying their favorite Italian meal. Milan serves traditional Italian dishes with a modern twist -- from grilled lamb chops to paella. Everything is prepared with fresh ingredients. Milan serves Illy Coffee, a company whose consistently praised blend of nine pure Arabica coffees is at the heart of each espresso beverage, as a final compliment to the Italian experience.

Milan Restaurant, 4898 San Felipe Rd., San Jose, CA 95135; 669-275-2683; or book online @ OpenTable or Yelp. Also visit: www.MilanSanJose.com Email: MilanSanJose@gmail.com.



Night Manager Harrison Scroggins

Times Feature

Dean Carleton Jones named candidate in U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

ean Carleton Jones, a graduating senior at Silver Creek High School, has been named one of more than 4,500 candidates in the 2019 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

The candidates were selected from nearly 3.6 million students expected to graduate from U.S. high schools in the year 2019.

Inclusion in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program, now in its 54th year, is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character and involvement in community and school activities.

The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964 by Executive Order of the President to recognize some of our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors for their accomplishments in many areas: academic success, leadership, and service to school and community. It was expanded in 1979 to recognize

students demonstrating exceptional scholarship and talent in the visual, creative, and performing arts. In 2015, the program was expanded once again to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical fields.

Annually, up to 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars are chosen from among that year's senior class, representing excellence in education and the promise of greatness in America's youth. All Scholars are invited to Washington, DC in June for the National Recognition Program, featuring various events and enrichment activities and culminating in the presentation of the Presidential Scholars Medallion during a White House-sponsored ceremony.

A distinguished panel of educators will review these submissions and select 600 semifinalists in early April. The Commission on Presidential Scholars, a group of up to 32 eminent citizens appointed by the President, will select the finalists, and the U.S. Department of Education will announce the Scholars in May.

Scholars will be invited to Washington, DC, for several days in June to receive the Presidential Scholars Medallion at a recognition ceremony and to participate in events and activities.

For more information about the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program, parents and students can call the U.S. Presidential Scholars Office at 507.931.8345, or send an e-mail to PSP@scholarshipamerica. org.



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Times Community

LeyVa Middle School awarded \$10,000 to enhance computer science

By Aaron Brengard

Principal, LeyVa Middle School

n Monday, January 22, LeyVa

Middle School celebrated computer science education at a fun

Family Tech Night.

The evening included an award of \$10,000 for LeyVa and the PEER Foundation that will enhance our extended day computer science programs. Wells Fargo and the Silicon Valley Education Foundation (SVEF) awarded five schools as part of the Wells Fargo Change the Future Grant.

"We are committed to ensuring that science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education is expanded through innovative programs. Our partnership with Wells Fargo is a great opportunity for students to learn needed skills in computer science," said Dr. Lisa Andrew, SVEF CEO.

Along with LeyVa Middle School, Renaissance-Fischer Academy (Alum Rock), Renaissance-Mathson Academy (Alum Rock), Ocala STEAM Academy (Alum Rock), Sunrise Middle School (Santa Clara County), Downtown College Prep (Santa Clara County), and James Lick High School (East Side Union High School District) were honored.

Positioned in the heart of Silicon Valley, the high tech industry is at our doorstep. This makes it critical to give our students access to those S.T.E.M.



(From left to right), **Aaron Brengard** (Principal, LeyVa Middle School), **Dr. Lisa Andrew** (CEO of SVEF), **Denise Miles** (Senior Vice President, Foundation Manager of Silicon Valley Region of Wells Fargo), **Max Seetho** (Silicon Valley Region President of Wells Fargo), and **Stacey Johnson** (Executive Director of the PEER Foundation).

and computer science careers. Where will companies like Apple, Google, Adobe, Salesforce, Cisco or others go to find their workforce? We are working to make sure they won't have to go very far.

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The PEER Foundation partners with LeyVa Middle School to provide students with innovative learning experiences such as coding, robotics, multimedia, and 3D design. This includes free activities during the day and after school at their suite of classrooms, the Studios at LeyVa (rooms 1 to 5). The \$10,000 award will expand the computer science program options to include fun topics like Multimedia Mash-Ups, Tech Creation Station, and HaCkRZ all in preparation for a final "hackathon" event later this Spring.

"We plan to build a competence toolbox for the students by exposing them to a variety of disciplines that could prove helpful in the hackathon including coding, web development, physical computing with Arduino, mobile app design, AR, animation, AI and 3D printing," said Stacey Johnston, PEER Executive Director.

After and during school opportunities will be free for LeyVa students.

FAMILY TECH NIGHT

Immediately after the check presentation ceremony, more than 60 LeyVa families participated in our First Family Tech Night. Each of the rooms at the PEER Studios held different fun and interactive tech activities including robotics, drones, coding, stop-motion animation, green screen demonstrations, and student-created video games from Mrs. Diaz's computer science class. Family Tech Night was too much fun to not become an annual tradition.

Computer science education and access to high-tech careers is critical. With the support of SVEF and Wells Fargo, LeyVa students will get even more of those experiences. Contact us to get your child involved.



LeyVa student having fun programming Ozobots.

Evergreen School District

From strong roots grow bright futures

Evergreen Senior Citizen Property Owners Are Eligible for Measure EE Parcel Tax Exemption

Evergreen property owners age 65 by June 30, 2020 or older are eligible to file for exemption from the annual \$125 Evergreen School District parcel tax for parcels they occupy as their principal residence.

For joint owners of a principal residence, only one owner needs to be age 65.

More information regarding the parcel tax exemption, including a form to request exemption, can be found on our District website at www.eesd.org/page.cfm?p=2896.

Forms are also available for Village residents at the Senior Resource Services office.

To complete the exemption, the form and supporting documents may be brought into the District Office located at 3188 Quimby Road, San Jose.

District representatives will be at The Villages Golf and Country Club, located at 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA, to accept new exemption requests for Village Residents on March 8, 2019 or April 12, 2019 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Montgomery Center.

Residents must file for the exemption in person with documents to prove their home ownership, residency, and age eligibility.

Those who have previously been granted an exemption from the Measure H Parcel Tax, their exemption will continue to be automatically renewed each year as long as you remain eligible for the exemption.

Resident unable to submit the application in person or for additional information, contact Pearl Casey or Janet Ayers at (408) 270-6863.



LeyVa Eighth grader, Nicanor-Alfonso Marcaida, put himself on Route 66 using a green screen.

Times Community



In the morning, several elected officials including Councilwoman **Sylvia Arenas** (speaking, center) welcomed the Kaiser Permanente volunteers.

Kaiser's Martin Luther King Day project beautifies Welch Park, Katherine Smith School

r. Efren Rosas, a surgeon and the Physician-in-Chief at Kaiser Permanente San Jose was shoveling wood chips from a mountain of them at Welch Park Monday, January 22.

He and a dozen or so other Kaiser Permanente volunteers were filling wheelbarrows, that were being wheeled over the play areas and dumped under the swings and slides, so falling children could land safely.

Chris Boyd, the Senior Vice President and Area Manager of Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara Medical Center, was one of the dozens pushing wheelbarrows filled with the wood chips.

"Is this great?" Boyd shouted, rolling a wheelbarrow filled with wood chips. "More than 200 Kaiser Permanente volunteers are helping make the park and playground safer."

For Kaiser Permanente, the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Junior National holiday is a "day on, not off," so MDs, RNs, and staff all over the United States were involved in service projects, to improve our communities.

"We love our community and we want to make our community better," said Dr. Rosas, taking a break from shoveling wood chips.

At Welch Park and neighboring Katherine Smith School, the more than 200 volunteers from the KP San Jose and KP Santa Clara medical centers were working hard. In the park, they also planted several trees and built community planter boxes for families to grow their own vegetables.

At Smith School, Dr. Susan Smarr, Ob-

Gyn and Physician-in-Chief of Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara, was working on the sadly overgrown student garden.

"We want to help these kids eat healthy, stay active and thrive," said Dr. Smarr, holding bushes of oregano and mint. "We're really all about being part of the community and helping the community be healthier so it's a natural extension of Kaiser Permanente's health care system."

Other KP volunteers were painting "sensory pathways" on the school yard pavement. The brightly-colored pathways of numbers, letters, graphics and footprints encourage the children to take short walks when out of classes.

Katherine Smith School principal Kevin Armstrong said it was an honor to welcome the Kaiser Permanente volunteers.

"Due to their generosity, our garden is now ready to become a learning space for students during STEAM class, our primary students have sensory pathways outside their classrooms to help them take brain breaks during the day, and our 'K Smith Habit' symbols are proudly displayed at the entrance to our school to remind the community what we stand for."

Earlier in the morning, several elected officials also welcomed the Kaiser Permanente volunteers.

"I'm so excited to have Kaiser Permanente and their wonderful staff take the MLK Holiday to volunteer with us and build on the momentum towards revitalizing this neighborhood," said San Jose Councilwoman Sylvia Arenas.





Above: Muscari 'Siberian Tiger' Below: Ranunculus 'Pon pon Hermione', Tulipa 'Light Pink Prince', Allium 'Gladiator.' *Photos courtesy of ibulb.org.*



Trend for Valentine's Day: romantic bulb flowers

his spring, the latest trend is small: pure white grape hyacinths with sturdy green leaves in a slate-gray pot, pastel pink hyacinths mixed with red tulips, or elegant little Tête-à-Tête daffodils.

The trend also applies to the gifts we give for Valentine's Day. We want to celebrate love with colorful flowers and long-lasting gifts with a soft, gentle touch.

Back to the basics

The throw-away society is a thing of the past. With the world rushing past faster and faster, what we long for are real things that really last. We want to feel safe and secure: back to the basics. This means the development of clear trends in the gifts and flowers we buy.

For this Valentine's Day, it means beautiful mixed bouquets of tulips in soft colors, in floral gifts composed of small bulb flowers such as grape hyacinths in pots, or slender vases filled with a single deep pink peony.

A gift with added value

Giving gifts that last longer is a clear trend for Valentine's Day. People want something lasting: a gift that keeps on giving. This makes bulb flowers such as tulips, daffodils and hyacinths the perfect choice. These flowers are available in multiple colors and have a look that's both tender and substantial. More information and inspiration about bulb flowers is available at www.ilsysays.com.



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Times Community News

Finance website ranks states most and least affected by 2019 government shutdown

With the U.S. government closed for business for the 21st time since 1976, this time with a partial shutdown, the personal-finance website WalletHub has released its report on the States Most & Least Affected by the 2019 Government Shutdown to add some hard data to all the rhetoric.

WalletHub compared the 50 states and the District of Columbia in terms of five key metrics, ranging from each state's share of federal jobs to federal contract dollars per capita to the share of families receiving food stamps.

Impact of the Government Shutdown on California

(1=Most Affected, 25=Avg.):

- 38th Share of Federal Jobs
- 18th Federal Contract Dollars Per Capita
- \bullet 5th Real Estate as a Percentage of GSP
- 40th Access to National Parks
- 36th % of Families Receiving SNAP (Food Stamps)

To view the full report, please visit: wallethub.com/edu/government-shut-down-report/1111

Red Cross issues emergency call for blood donors

Fewer drives, busy holiday schedules lead to blood shortage

A donation shortfall over the winter holidays is prompting the American Red Cross to issue an emergency call for blood and platelet donors to give now to prevent a blood shortage from continuing throughout winter and affecting patient care.

The Red Cross collected more than 27,000 fewer blood and platelet donations

the weeks of Christmas and New Year's than needed to sustain a sufficient blood supply. During this period, about 1,350 fewer blood drives were hosted by volunteer sponsor groups than required to meet patient needs as busy holiday schedules kept many donors away.

"Many people may not realize that blood products are perishable, and the only source of lifesaving blood for patients is volunteer blood donors," said Cliff Numark, senior vice president, Red Cross Biomedical Services. "When donations decline – as they did around the holidays and may further decline if severe winter weather and flu season pick up – lifesaving medical treatments could be delayed."

Right now, the Red Cross has less than a three-day supply of most blood types on hand, well below the ideal five-day supply needed to respond to emergencies and daily hospital needs. Blood products are currently being distributed to hospitals faster than donations are coming in.

"We hope people can resolve to save lives now – when there is an emergency need – as well as throughout the year," added Numark.

All eligible donors, especially platelet donors and blood donors with type O blood, are urged to make an appointment to give in the coming days to help restock the shelves for hospital patients. Eligible donors can find a blood or platelet donation opportunity and schedule an appointment to donate by using the free Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Volunteer blood drive hosts are also critically needed to prevent the shortage from worsening this winter.

Star Wars: A New Hope in concert to feature iconic score performed live to film March 29-31

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Star Wars: A New Hope in Concert March 29 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 30 at 2:30 p.m.



and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, March 31 at 1:30 p.m. at San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, 255 S. Almaden Blvd, San Jose, CA.

The concert will feature screenings of the complete film with Oscar-winning composer John Williams' musical score performed live to the film. The concert will be led by acclaimed conductor Jeffrey Schindler.

Since the release of the first Star Wars movie nearly 40 years ago, the Star Wars saga has had a seismic impact on both cinema and culture, inspiring audiences around the world with its mythic storytelling, captivating characters, ground-breaking special effects and iconic musical scores composed by Williams.

Fans will be able to experience the scope and grandeur of this beloved film in a live symphonic concert experience, when the Star Wars: A New Hope performs in San Jose March 29 through 31 at San Jose Center for the Performing Arts.

Legendary composer Williams is well known for scoring all eight of the Star Wars saga films to date, beginning with 1977's Star Wars: A New Hope for which he earned an Academy Award® for Best Original Score. His scores for The Empire Strikes Back, Return of the Jedi, Star Wars: The Force Awakens and most recently Star Wars: The Last Jedi were each nominated

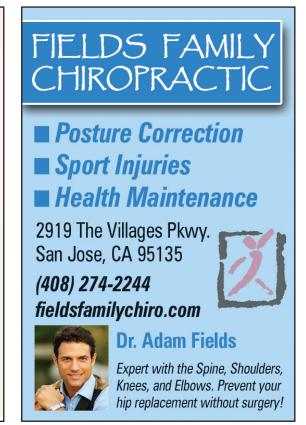
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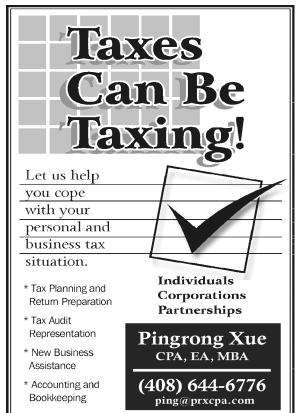
Williams has won five Academy Awards, four Golden Globe Awards, seven British Academy Film Awards, five Emmy Awards and 23 Grammy Awards. With 51 Academy Award nominations, Williams is the Academy's most nominated living person and the second most-nominated individual in history, after Walt Disney. In 2005, the American Film Institute selected Williams' score to 1977's Star Wars: A New Hope as the greatest American film score of all time. The soundtrack to A New Hope also was preserved by the Library of Congress in the National Recording Registry, for being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant." Williams was inducted into the Hollywood Bowl's Hall of Fame in 2000, and he received the Kennedy Center Honors in 2004, the National Medal of Arts in 2009, and the AFI Life Achievement Award in 2016. Williams has composed the scores for eight of the top 20 highest-grossing films at the U.S. box office (adjusted for inflation).

Tickets: \$50 to \$100. Available online at: www.symphonysiliconvalley.org or by phone: 408.286.2600 ext. 23. Purchase in person: 325 So First Street, San Jose, CA 95113. Hours Monday through Friday, 10am to 5pm.

Photos: Courtesy of The Walt Disney Company.







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Members, left to right: Janice Alvarez, Marsha Hamner, Nellwyn Doornbos, Margie Brooks, Lynn Duniway, Vivian Reif, Kathy Ereno, Audrey Itow, Judy Collard, Donna Christian

Alpha Kappa participates in 'Shop With a Cop' event

By LeAnne Cooley and Lynn Duniway

Special to the Times **▼**he Alpha Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma participates in a Christmas Giving Project each year.

The chapter worked with Shop With a Cop Silicon Valley (SWACSV). In December, twelve members of the chapter went to Target on Coleman Avenue in San Jose to wrap presents for the students who participated in the "Shop with a Cop" Christmas event. One-hundred, sixty-five low income and atrisk students participated this vear.

On the day of the event, the children were picked up in school buses at their home school, and first taken to break-

sponsored by SWACSV. Each student had his or her own "cop" buddy. The uniformed law enforcement officers were from many different agencies, including the FBI, DEA, Sheriffs, and the San Jose Police Department.

Upon arrival at Target, they were met with a tumultuous welcome by many volunteers and Target employees, who handed each duo a cart to start their shopping. Each student received a \$150 Target gift card to spend on their family.

The students who attended "earned their way" to the shopping spree in two ways. They participated in the Readers Are Leaders Reading Campaign sponsored by SWACSV and

fast at Santa Clara University, I they maintained good school attendance. Each of the students was given a baseline reading test. Their progress was measured, monitored, supported and encouraged. Several Alpha Kappa chapter members are continuing to work with participating students to help them reach and maintain their reading goals.

For many of these children this was their first contact with police officers and it was an uplifting experience instead of a traumatic one. They bought presents for everyone in their families, including in one instance, the family dog. It was a heartwarming day as well as a lot of fun for all of the Alpha Kappa participants.



It is always cool to see a blimp!

Photographer Lou Alexander shot this photo of a blimp passing for the Villages Golf and Country Club last week promoting a cruise line. "It's always cool to see a blimp," said Alexander.

Rosendin Electric celebrates 100th anniversary in business

This year marks 100 years in business for Rosendin Electric located in San Iose.

Rosendin Electric is the electrical contracting industry's largest employee-owned firm, with revenues upwards of \$2 billion, with 6,000 employees across 15 regional offices nationwide, each of which offers an increasing number of services.

As Rosendin looks to the future, a new logo is being introduced that is simply "Rosendin." This change reflects the company's shared success since 1919 and growth in services offered beyond electrical services, including design-build engineering, building information modeling, prefabrication, renewable energy, network services, and service and maintenance.

"For 100 years, Rosendin has created a reputation for building quality electrical installations, building value for our clients, and building people within the company," said Tom Sorley, Chairman/CEO of Rosendin. "Our shared success since 1919 is thanks in large part to our loyal customers. Year after year, our customers have turned to us to partner on some of the most complex projects because of our commitment to building quality, building value, and building people. While our teams bring competency and capacity to our projects, it is the character of our employees that differentiates us most of all. We understand that our customers expect more from us. Our building success is an important step toward providing our customers an environment to deliver their own product success. Shared goals, shared success!'

"Employee ownership means we are not just another electrical contractor. As owners, we care about and truly listen to one another, as every employee has a stake in the future success of our company," said Sorley. "That is why we have, and will continue to foster, a culture of shared ownership.'

In 2018, Rosendin was honored with the 2018 Grand Award for Construction Safety Excellence by the Associated General Contractors of America at the 19th Annual Construction Safety

Rosendin will be celebrating its centennial throughout 2019 with a variety of events and campaigns.

San Jose Clean Energy launch on schedule despite PG&E bankruptcy announcement

Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) is facing billions of dollars in potential wildfire liabilities, and thus the investor-owned utility has announced it is on the verge of filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

PG&E has stated that there will be no interruption in power service for customers, and San José Clean Energy (SJCE) will launch electricity generation service to San Jose homes and businesses this February as planned.

Starting in February, SJCE will be San Jose's new electricity generation provider, while PG&E will continue to transmit and distribute the electricity, maintain the powerlines, respond to power outages, and provide billing services.

State Supreme Court denies appeal to block 'Measure B'

The State Supreme Court denied the appeal (Jan. 23) to block the 2016 "Measure B" traffic relief and transit improvement initiative passed Santa Clara County voters in November of 2016.

The Supreme Court was the last of three courts that sided with Measure B, saying the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) can proceed to disburse funds for transit improvements.

"The road block against road and transit improvements has been cleared," said Silicon Valley Leadership Group CEO Carl Guardino, who led the 3-year effort to qualify and pass Measure B on the 2016 ballot. "Voters will now receive the improvements promised in Measure B, paving the way for work to get started to improve the quality of life for 1.9 million county residents."



GAME DAY EATS AND TREATS

SCORE MAJOR POINTS WITH DELICIOUS DISHES

FAMILY FEATURES

If the crew is coming over to root for your favorite team, it may be time to spice up the menu. Whether you're hosting the weekend get-together or watching the game after work, switch up your typical spread and serve something

new to leave your guests cheering for more.
When it comes to choosing an ingredient that can lend a winning assist to nearly any dish and score you some major points, look no further than California Ripe Olives.

Variety is key when mapping out food for a crowd, regardless of the event. Plan on serving one main course and two sides, and consider no-fuss options like chips and dips. If there are kids in attendance, make sure there is something neutral for even the pickiest eaters to snack on. However, try your best to avoid anything that needs a knife and fork to eat – finger foods typically work best when the game is on and conversation is flowing.

The mild and unique taste of California

Ripe Olives lends itself well to many different flavor pairings, such as these recipes for Pulled Pork Sandwiches with Peach-Olive Jam, Easy Olive Bread and Sun-Dried Tomato and Olive Tapenade.

Whether your guests are fans of spicy, which you guests are fails of spicy, mild, sweet or savory, the only limit is your imagination when you pull a can of olives from the pantry. Family farms across California grow 95

percent of the ripe olives consumed in the United States. Each can is a labor of love. Multi-generational family farms work with family-owned canneries in California to produce each can and ensure only the highest quality olives make it from the farm to your game-day table. For more creative ways to use olives, including family recipes from growers across California, visit CalOlive.org.



Easy Olive Bread

Recipe courtesy of The Wicked Noodle

- 8 ounces cream cheese,
- softened 1/4 cup unsalted butter, softened 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 clove garlic, minced 2 cups shredded cheddar
- cheese 10 ounces California Green Ripe Olives, chopped
- 2 green onions, chopped 1 loaf French bread, sliced in half lengthwise

Heat oven to 350 F.

In bowl, mix cream cheese, butter and mayonnaise until thoroughly combined. Add garlic; stir well to distribute. Add cheddar cheese, green olives and green onions; stir to combine.

Spread mixture on cut sides of bread. Bake 20-30 minutes, until cheese is hot, bubbly and starting



Sun-Dried Tomato and Olive Tapenade

- 1/2 cup shallots, chopped
 1/4 cup chopped smoked sun-dried tomatoes
 2 tablespoons extra-virgin
- olive oil tablespoons white
- balsamic vinegar
- cloves garlic, minced
 can (6 ounces) California
 Green Ripe
 Olives, drained
- can (6 ounces) California Black Ripe Olives, drained

1/4 cup lightly packed fresh basil sea salt, to taste freshly ground pepper, to taste crackers or toasted baguette slices

In food processor, pulse shallots, sun-dried tomatoes, olive oil, vinegar and garlic until finely chopped. Add olives, basil, salt and pepper; pulse again until chopped. Cover and chill 1 hour.

Serve with crackers or toasted baguette slices.

Note: Recipe can be prepared

one day in advance.

Times **Feature**

Building height measure for downtown San Jose postponed

The San Jose City Council has postponed passing a measure that would increase building height limits in downtown San Iose.

The decision to defer the height measure vote, prompted by Almaden District 10 Councilmember Johnny Khamis, was to give airlines time to finish negotiating their contract renewals. "Let's see what the airlines say before we make a decision," said Khamis.

If passed in February, the proposed measure would allow the development of taller buildings exceeding up to 35 feet from the current limits in downtown and

up to 137 feet in the Diridon Station area.

A study commissioned by the city included four options that would allow for building height increases without jeopardizing safety measures. One observer stated: "We could lose our airline service to Asia and possibly Europe from the San Jose Airport, and on an extremely hot day, possibly lose service to the east

Several members of the San Jose Airport Commission spoke against the city's proposal, mentioning serious safety risks and the irreparable damage to the airport's business with foreign airlines.

Allowing a maximum building height limit would help stimulate the city's economy according to supporters of the height measure. They want to increase the number of residents in the downtown and Diridon Station areas. Supporters of the measure site a study that mitigates financial impacts on airline flights that could occur with a Community Air Service Support Fund.

Rotary events for February, March

Report

By Charlie Wasser

Special to the Times

t has been a while since I had a chance to write an article for the Evergreen Times about the local Rotary club. As always, I very much appreciate the Evergreen Times for continuing to give me the opportunity to discuss Rotary in the Evergreen and East San Jose areas.

Since my last article, we have been in the process of starting a new Rotary club. We have everything in place to have the club chartered by Rotary International including more than the minimum number of members. While belonging to a

Rotary club can be a great experience, the enjoyment can be enhanced if you become a charter member and help set the atmosphere and direction of the club from the start. We meet in the clubhouse at the Villages Golf & Country Club on Mondays thanks to the support of the club's management starting at 12:15. Please contact me if you wish to attend and possibly join to confirm that we are meeting the week you wish to visit with us.

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This club has come together in three months which is much faster than most new Rotary clubs. This is a great sign for the future growth and influence in the community since we have members that are already up and running developing major community initiatives. To whet your appetite, one of the projects is working with a radio station to broadcast educational programs. The goal is to help alleviate the problems of achievement gap in some parts of East San Jose.

We are building a Young Professionals part of the club. The members will belong to the main club but will have some of their own meetings and social events. If you are in or know someone who is in their 20s and 30s, have them get in touch or attend one of our meetings.

We have had some great speakers and the list continues for February, and

Two speakers we had in January meetings were City Team which described the role City Team plays in feeding the homeless and training them to acquire employment in San Jose, and Catholic Charities, which discussed housing sharing. It is a county funded program that helps match people who are looking for rooms to rent with people who have an extra room in their home, at an affordable price. It helps renters get affordable housing as well as aids homeowners with earning extra

income and using their free

On February 4, Professor Michael Kevane, Professor of Economics at Santa Clara University, will discuss the economics of housing in San Jose. Prices increase but is that always a good investment and life style?

On February 25, Dan Orum, CEO and President of the San Jose Giants will be speaking. Dan will be offering unique insights on the history of the San Jose Giants, life in the minor leagues, the next wave of prospects heading to the

majors, and the club's commitment to serving the community. It's a special look into professional baseball right in your own backyard since 1942.

On March 11, Juan Manuel Calderón Jaimes, Consul General of Mexico in San José, California, will be speaking. On November 3rd 2017, he started the position serving the counties of Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey. He will be discussing his role and how it is implemented.

As always, please get in touch to join us at the Villages in Evergreen starting at 12:15 pm and ending at 1:30 pm. Definitely invite guests that might be interested in joining. We do ask that you plan on having lunch.

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Water district files suit to **protect Valley** water supply

he Santa Clara Valley Water District has filed a lawsuit to challenge the state's plan to reduce water flows on the San Joaquin River and its tributaries – a move that could significantly impact the water supply to Santa Clara County. The water district also challenged the environmental review of the state's plan because it did not take into account the impacts of the plan on Santa Clara County's groundwater.

The State Water Resources Control Board voted in December to mandate an increase to the amount of water that flows through the San Joaquin River and its tributaries, in order to assist endangered and threatened fish species in the Delta. However, to increase the flow in the river and its tributaries, the flow to other water users must decrease. Specifically, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission will see a significant reduction, which, apart from its supply to San Francisco and other Bay Area cities, will affect the SFPUC's customers in Santa Clara County. The county relies on the SFPUC for 15 percent of its water supply, and a decrease in water from the SFPUC means greater reliance on the water district, especially during droughts. This can create a strain on the groundwater supplies that the water district manages.

The groundwater aquifers in Santa Clara County hold more water than all 10 of the water district's surface water reservoirs combined and form a crucial part of the county's water supply picture. Their importance increases, particularly during droughts. The state's plan could impact these aquifers and substantially affect the water district's ability to meet water supply needs during dry years.

"The Santa Clara Valley Water District is an agency that places a great deal of importance on the environment, and we respect the state's efforts over the last few vears to address the issue of fish decline," said water district board chair Linda J. LeZotte. "But the board would like to find a better balance and believes that there are other, more effective solutions that focus on the fishes' distinct problems - native fish being preyed on by nonnative fish, lack of habitat, insufficient food supply for the fish, contaminants, and water temperatures that get too high for fish to survive. We hope the courts can help us all arrive at a balanced decision that benefits the Delta and doesn't leave Silicon Valley high and dry."

The suit filed in Santa Clara County Superior Court asks the court to determine whether the state has taken proper action to require increased flows for fish and wildlife in the San Joaquin, Tuolumne, Stanislaus and Merced rivers. While the complaint moves through the courts, the water district will continue to negotiate with state officials and other agencies to address our interests, especially retaining sufficient water supply during droughts and supporting effective measures to sustain healthy native fish populations in the Delta and its tributaries.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District manages an integrated water resources system that includes the supply of clean, safe water, flood protection and stewardship of streams on behalf of Santa Clara County's nearly 2 million residents. The district effectively manages 10 dams and surface water reservoirs, three water treatment plants, an advanced recycled water purification center, a state-ofthe-art water quality laboratory, nearly 400 acres of groundwater recharge ponds and more than 275 miles of streams. We provide wholesale water and groundwater management services to local municipalities and private water retailers who deliver drinking water directly to homes and businesses in Santa Clara County.

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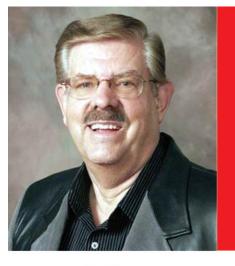
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By Sylvia Arenas City Councilmember

Bright green hills and winter opportunities

By Councilmember Sylvia Arenas Special to the Times

ne of my favorite things about win-

ter in San Jose is watching the hills around Evergreen turn bright green.

That's one of the reasons that I'm so proud the bond that we all passed last year included funding to improve flood control, water quality improvements, and expanded public land in the hills and valley just south of Evergreen – Coyote Valley. This area is deeply important to limiting future sprawl in our community, protecting homes from flooding, and meeting our green-house emissions goals. We live in

an amazing place, and I'm glad we're going to work to keep the hills and valleys outside of our neighborhoods green.

Even though sometimes the rain keeps us indoors, winter is a great time to be out in our community. Here are a few family friendly events and community meetings that I wanted to share with you.

World Read Aloud Day Friday, February 1st at 4pm, Evergreen Branch Library

Celebrate the power of words and take action at this free event to show the world

that the right to literacy belongs to all people, World Read Aloud Day is celebrated by millions of people in more than 100 countries.

Lunar New Year: Storytime & Craft Saturday, February 2nd at 3pm, Evergreen Branch Library

Welcome in the Lunar New Year and the
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Black History Month Friday, Feb. 1st at 3:30pm Rosa Parks Craft, Village Square Branch Library

Wednesday, February 6th 6pm Rosa Parks Craft, Evergreen Branch Library

Saturday, February 9th 3pm Black Panther Screening, Evergreen Branch & Village Square Branch Libraries

Children ages 5 and older are welcome to learn about how Rosa Parks' refusal to relinquish her seat resulted in

the Montgomery Bus Boycott in Alabama in 1955 through crafts. The library is also celebrating Black History Month with a film screening of Disney's "Black Panther". Both events are free.

Neighborhood Night Friday February 8th at 6pm, Evergreen Community Center

A free event with fun activities for the whole family at your local community center

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Friday: 3pm-11pm; Saturday & Sunday: 11am-11pm

This event has free admittance and includes live entertainment, a student talent contest, carnival rides and games, vendors and Call 408-646-9211 for more. more information.

Dumpster Days Saturday February 9th at 8am, **East Valley Pentecostal Church**

Saturday February 23rd at 8am, Overfelt High School

Saturday March 2nd at 8am, Valle Vista Elementary School

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Valentine's Day Storytime and Craft

Thursday, Feb. 14th at 11am, **Evergreen Branch Library**

Thursday, February 14th at 5:30pm, Village Square Branch Library

Children ages 2 to 5 are invited to make their own animal Valentine's Day Card at this free event.

Carnivale Di Venezia Friday, Feb. 15th at 3:30pm, Village Square Branch Library

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon with arts, crafts, snacks, and performances celebrating the Venetian Carnivale. This is part of a free, monthly series celebrating cultures around the world.

Happy Birds at the Library Friday, February 15th at 4pm, **Evergreen Branch Library**

These people friendly parrots love to show off their amazing tricks, like riding a bike, playing basketball, and signing at this free event. As seen on the Tonight Show, The Ellen Show, and Animal Planet.

Presidents Week Camp Tuesday February 19th to Friday February 22nd Eastridge Mall, 2nd Floor between Cinnabon & Hallmark, \$100 **Millbrook Community** Center, \$176

Your child can enjoy an unforgettable day camp experience with fun, educational activities. Limited scholarships are available. Call (408) 270-2220 for more information or register at sjregistration.com.

Pete G. Magic Show Saturday, February 16 at 4pm, Village Square Branch Library

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Thursdays, 5pm-7pm, Wine Tastings: Explore great wines for the holidays from different wineries each week. For 21+. Complimentary.

New Seasons Market is located at 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd, San Jose. 408-513-8200

Other upcoming events

■ Cirque du Soleil: Volta (pictured below)

February 14 - March 10 Santa Clara County Fairgrounds

■ SCV Kennel Club February 15 -February 17 Santa Clara County Fairgrounds

■ Cats
February 19-24
San Jose Center for the
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■ Dancing with the Stars
March 7, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose Center for the

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Annual Senior Winter Walk and Resource Fair at Oakridge Mall to be held on Friday, Feb. 22

If you are over 50, be sure to attend our 12th Annual Senior Winter Walk and Resource Fair at Oakridge Mall on Friday, Feb. 22.

Festivities take place in the Macy's Court of Westfield Oakridge Mall starting at 8:30 a.m., where a light breakfast will be available following on-site registration.

The Resource Fair is a great time of fun, education, and hanging out with friends – and, of course, the ever-popular door prize drawing!

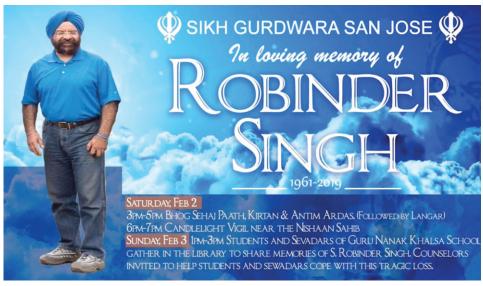
More than 50 resource vendors from local government, non-profits, businesses, and interest clubs will be attending this year's

event.

Bring a gently used pair of eyeglasses and drop them off at the Lions Club table to receive an extra drawing ticket!

The 12th Annual Senior Winter Walk and Resource Fair is made possible by the following generous sponsors: Almaden Times, Westfield Oakridge, South Valley Family YMCA, Star One Credit Union, Alameda Family, Kaiser Permanente, and El Camino Hospital.

For more information, contact Michele Dexter at 408-535-4910 or email: michele.dexter@sanjoseca.gov.





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The Tabard Theatre Company announces Summer Youth Theatre Camps for 2019

The Tabard Theatre Company released its 2019 schedule for its Summer Youth Theatre Camps, beginning June 17 through Friday, July 19 for youth ages 6-14.

Tabard's Youth Performing Arts Summer Camps are fun musical theatre adventures for youth of all skill levels. Each Summer, Tabard Theatre conduct s two 1-week sessions and one 2-week session.

Session I is for children ages 6 to 10, Session II is for children 7 to 12 and session III (two week) is for children/youth ages 8 to 14. Camps run Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Each camp ends with a final showcase performance.

The Summer Youth Camps will be held at the Tabard Theatre (formerly Theatre on San Pedro Square), 29 N. San Pedro Street, San Jose, CA 95110 (Parking is validated at the San Pedro Garage directly across the street).

Camps run Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tabard Theatre.

For more information, contact the Box Office: 408.679.2330 or www.tabardtheatre.org/tickets Tuition:Sessions I and II \$295 (\$275 before April 1, 2019) Session III (two-week camp) \$535 (\$515 before April 1, 2019) Lunches available for \$60/week.

Camp Schedule: 101 Dalmatians Kids Session I – June 17 – 21 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.); Ages 6 to 10 years

About: Set in the city of London, Dalmatian parents Pongo and Perdita raise their 15 Dalmatians puppies in a small house, along with their human pets, Roger (a composer) and Anita (an artist).

One day when Cruela De Vil spots the Dalmatian puppies, she is dazzled by their spotted fur and decides that their fur would be perfect for her new fur coat!

As the puppies get lured away, Pongo and Perdita must summon the other dogs of London, as well as Sargent Tibbs, to help rescue the puppies from Cruella. You'll love the magic of 101 Dalmatians!

Including favorites "Dalmatian Conga" and "Cruella De Vil."

How to be a Pirate in 7 Easy Songs

Session II – June 24 – 28 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.); Ages 7 to 12 years

About: Hoist the sail and join the pirate crew! An ornery, yet sweet Captain and the 1st mate transform landlubbers into pirates. Through story and song, the shipmates raise the Jolly Roger flag, spy with telescopes, find buried treasure, & show "thar" pride in a raucous pirate party. Shiver me timbers!

Mulan Jr,

Session III (two-week camp) – July 8-19 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.); Ages 8 to 14 years

About: The Huns have invaded, and it is up to the misfit Mulan and her mischievous dragon sidekick, Mushu, to save the Emperor!

Defying the village matchmaker, Mulan takes up arms and disguises herself as a boy in order to spare her father from having to serve in the army. As the great battle with the Huns approaches, Mulan must choose between revealing her true identity as a girl or saving all of China with her clever plan.

Camp: \$535 (\$515 before April 1, 2019); Lunch: \$120

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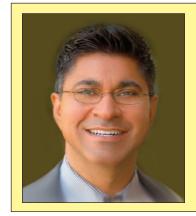
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District 8 Community Roundtable

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For more information call F 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 ESUHSD Education Center, 830 N. Capitol Ave. 347-5000. Check the web site for agendas and updates: www.esuhsd.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.

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Hidden Glen Community

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

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 Drving Shed Restaurant, 402 Toyon Ave., San Jose. (408) 270-0557.

Story Road Business Association

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