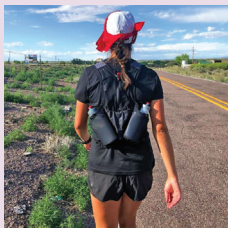


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San Jose lawmakers protest San Jose Water Co. rate hikes

By Grace Hase and Nadia Lopez
Special to the Times

San Jose councilmembers are fighting back against “unfair” water rate hikes, voting unanimously to send a letter to the California Public Utilities Commission protesting San Jose Water Company’s proposed rate increases and calling for an investigation into a potential merger with Connecticut Water.

San Jose residents who conserved water in California’s long-standing drought may now have to pay back money to the company that pushed for the conservation.

“It’s super unfair,” said Councilmember Johnny Khamis. “Their fees are to recover money that has nothing to do with the actual cost of the water.”

Khamis, who said the company has been “jacking up the rates often,” is concerned about protecting the costs for

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San Jose's art scene creates community conversations

By Lorraine Gabbert
Senior Staff Writer

Art can beautify, inspire, innovate and inform. It also exposes people to new perspectives and connects us as human beings.

At a recent Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA) meeting, representatives from the City of San Jose Public Art (SJPA) program and the San Jose Museum of Art (SJMA) shared how they are creating community conversations and shaping a more inclusive future.

Sophie Holding the World Together, by artist El Mac (Miles MacGregor) in collaboration with the Propeller Group, is SJMA’s first foray into commissioning public art. Located by Discovery Meadow, the mural features 9-year-old Sophie Cruz holding the world in one hand and a lotus blossom in the other.

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In TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks, six local artists were hired to transform twelve water district utility boxes into nature and water-themed murals befitting the natural setting.



Almaden residents protest possible relocation of Leland and Bret Harte

By William Bellou
Publisher

“Save Almaden Schools” signs were held high over several parents’ heads during the San Jose Unified School District Board meeting held on Thursday, April 25.

Almaden community members attending the meeting want the trustees to abandon a controversial plan to relocate Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School and build affordable teacher housing at both locations.

Parents say they want to keep Leland High and Bret Harte Middle schools in their current locations and they say there are many Almaden residents that feel the same way; they do not want a disruption in education in Almaden.



Parents held up “Save Almaden Schools” signs during the San Jose Unified School District Board meeting held on Thursday, April 25. They are protesting a controversial plan to relocate Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School. *Photo credit: Saurabh*

A petition has been setup on Change.org which calls for the immediate removal of Leland and Bret Harte from the list of poten-

tial sites for the low cost housing project. The petition currently has more than 6,700 signatures. The petition cites several reasons why

the Almaden schools should be removed from the list of potential housing sites.

• Leland and Bret Harte are

neighborhood schools, conveniently located central to Almaden Valley. The proposed new school locations would be at the very southern edge of Almaden and a much less convenient location.

• The proposed new school location would cause a safety issue for students attempting to walk to school.

• The only path into and out of the proposed location is Almaden Expressway, which is a one lane road leading into the proposed location. This will cause huge amounts of traffic congestion.

• Tearing down these existing top-notch schools just to rebuild them in another location is a huge unnecessary cost and a waste of taxpayer money.

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New Mexico: Molly Cuevas of Almaden completes her 32nd day of her 3,000 mile run across America

By William Bellou
Publisher

Molly Cuevas of Almaden has completed the 33rd day of her 3,000 mile, three-month cross-country trek from California to New York and is in New Mexico, logging in more than 900 miles.

Molly, who graduated from Leland High School in 2012, is running across the United States from Santa Monica to Montauk, N.Y. to raise funds and awareness for the Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF), a non-profit dedicated to empowering individuals with physical challenges through sports.

Molly's blog – Day 22: "Finally reached a new state (New Mexico) and a new time zone, woot - woot. There may only be one restaurant in the town we're currently in (and the only one for a lot of miles) but it's the first place we've come across that serves breakfast all day so New Mexico, you're off to a great freakin' start."

To help beat the heat in New Mexico, Molly is using her red bandanas. "They keep me cool when I freeze them and wrap them around my neck," said Cuevas. "I also use dry ones to cover my face from the sun and dust. Such a simple thing but they have been essen-



tial on this trip."

Cuevas is currently burning nearly 4,000 calories per day. "Calorie consumption is going to play a big role in getting me through this 3-month journey," Cuevas wrote: "I'm eating a relatively large breakfast and dinner. Because it's in the middle of my run, my lunch tends to be on the lighter side to keep me from running on a full belly. On top of those three meals, I also sleep with a sandwich next to me so that I can eat in the middle of the night."



Molly Cuevas catches a cat nap during her three-month cross country trek. On day 22, she reached New Mexico and a new time zone.



Challenged Athletes Foundation

Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF) believes that the involvement in sports at any level increases self-esteem, encourages independence and enhances quality of life. CAF's programs include grant for adaptive sports equipment, training and competition expenses, adaptive sports camps and clinics, community and mentorship.

In 2019, CAF awarded a record breaking \$4.8 million to 3,260 individuals across 103 different sports.

"Molly's incredible drive to run across the country is helping raise critical funds to get more individuals with physical disabilities access to sports and an active lifestyle. Her motivation, courage and determination reflect the values we celebrate in our challenged athletes", said Virginia Tinley, CAF's Chief Executive Director.

About Molly Cuevas

Molly graduated from Leland High School in 2012 where she lettered in Tennis, Soccer, Track and Field Hockey. Molly received a scholarship from Adelphi University where she majored in Sports Management, and minored in Marketing graduating Magna Cum Laude. Cuevas was a three-time All-American, a four-time Academic All-American, captain and broke nearly every modern-era record

the field hockey program had, while also setting some new ones of her own while attending Adelphi University. She also received a minor in Communications from Murdoch University while studying abroad in Perth Australia. As a student athlete Molly was Northeast Conference Rookie of the Year, three-time All-American, Academic All-American, holds virtually all AU offensive records, numerous conference records and is currently the all-time NCAA DII Assist per game leader. After holding internships with the Major League Soccer and the San Francisco 49ers, Molly went on to manage the social media platform for Rocktape. She currently serves as Rocktape's Marketing and Communication Coordinator.

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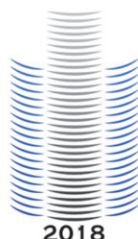
You can be a part of the "Miles By Molly Movement" whether it's meeting up to run a portion with her, sending her a kind note, or donating to CAF. All of the current information will be on her website at www.milesbymolly.com

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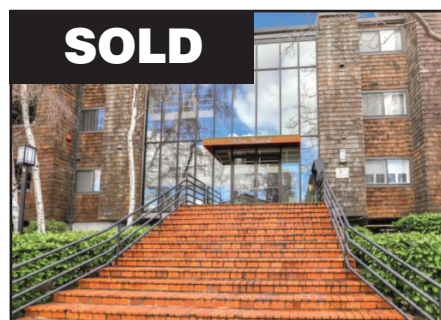
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Rate hike

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ratepayers — especially if the merger is approved. His fear is that ratepayers will have to cover the “exorbitant merger fees” that will be rolled up in the costs of their water bills.

The San Jose Water Company last week asked the PUC to allow it to recover more than \$9 million from customers via a surcharge. If approved, it would be the water company’s second rate increase in six months.

Every three years, the PUC sets prices based on projected estimates for water usage that it projects San Jose residents will consume. If San Jose Water Company customers don’t meet that number, the company must find a way to recover the debts.

“What we have experienced is not unusual compared to other water utilities,” John Tang, vice president of Regulatory Affairs and Government Relations, told San José Spotlight.

According to Tang, costs are driven up for three reasons: infrastructure investment, increased wholesale of water supply costs and water conservation.

In this case, water conservation is the driving factor, said Tang, and the temporary surcharge will be dropped off the bill in a year once those fees from 2018 have been recovered.

“Current water rates are designed to not only support safe and reliable water service but also to send a conservation message,” added Tang. “A conservation rate design only allows utilities to recover a portion of their fixed costs. While conservation is a laudable goal, it does not allow utilities to recover their fixed costs when consumption is less than anticipated.”

If approved by the commission, San Jose residents can expect a monthly increase of about 19 cents per 748 gallons used starting July 1. The company’s request letter to the commission states that it’s about a \$2.19 increase per month for the average customers.

The San Jose Water Company is the oldest and one of several water suppliers to the city, serving about 80 percent of San Jose as well as neighboring cities, totaling about 230,000 residential and business customers.

San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo questioned a proposed merger between the parent company for the San Jose Water Company and Connecticut Water. After initially withdrawing a merger application, Liccardo said, a renewed application includes “significant benefits and commitments” to Connecticut Water customers, including bill credits totaling about \$2.3 million.

“San Jose Water’s promises to Connecticut consumers to reduce and freeze costs may enable them to expand their utility empire, but must not come at the expense of California consumers who continue paying higher rates to the same company,” Liccardo said in a statement.

“We want to know when the increases will stop and we want them to justify the costs,” added Khamis. “Were not saying that it’s not right but we’re questioning the costs to see what’s going on — we want to know why it costs so much more to run this company rather than the other water companies in

San Jose.”

San Jose residents didn’t take too kindly to being forced to pay more because they saved water during the drought.

And this isn’t the first time that the San Jose Water Company has come under fire for hefty bills. The state recently investigated a complaint that the company had overcharged customers. They ultimately found that between 2015 and 2017 the company had charged customers an extra \$2,061,203 collectively. Currently, the state is considering whether the company should reimburse customers and face penalties.

Three posts on a Willow Glen Facebook group garnered more than 100 comments, almost all objecting to the increase.

“Our rates went up during the drought because we saved water so fast (and) changed our behavior,” wrote Mark Waterbury. “It’s stupid since it’s a private company, no options to buy elsewhere.”

“When they increased the delivery charges during the drought to make up their reduced profit that was supposed to be paying for the infrastructure,” Leann Cicco added. “I don’t expect the bill to go down from two years ago, but it also should not be going up further, particularly in a no drought situation.”

But Tang says that the company’s price rate design is complex.

“A rate design that doesn’t allow us to recover our fixed costs its not good for the utility,” added Tang. “This rate conservation nexus affected every single utility that was impacted by the drought—it’s an industry issue.”

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Article courtesy of San José Spotlight.



Veterans Appreciation Day with KnowAVet at the San Jose Giants

Know A Vet, a nonprofit veterans resource organization, has announced they are giving 2,500 veterans and their families FREE tickets to the San Jose Giants baseball game on Sunday afternoon, May 19, starting at 1 p.m.

Representatives from the Santa Clara County Veterans Services Office and several other veterans resource groups will be on site to help veterans and their families maximize their benefits.

Editor’s note: Gates open at 12:00 noon for the Veterans Resource Fair.



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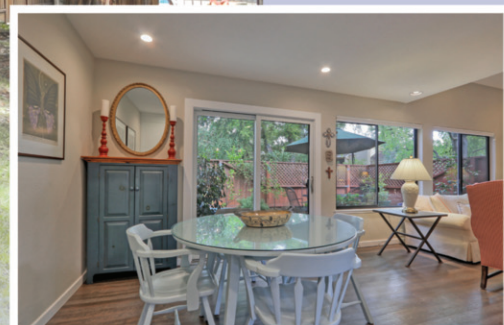
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• The number of houses that could be built consistent with this low-density neighborhood would be very small, and cost would be extremely high.

In March, the board approved a contract with The Schoennauer Company to narrow down a site to build affordable teacher housing.

There are currently nine locations under consideration for the housing project, which were selected last year by school administrators. There are nine potential school site locations to

build below market-rate housing. In addition to Leland and Bret Harte, the other sites under consideration are: Bachordt Elementary, Burnett Middle, Gardner Elementary, Olinder Elementary, River Glen School, Second Start-Pine Hill, and the San Jose Unified District Offices.

Almaden residents speaking at the school board meeting touched on a variety of issues, including traffic congestion caused by relocating the schools. Each speaker received enthusiastic applause from supporters in attendance.



Parents held up "Save Almaden Schools" signs during the San Jose Unified School District Board meeting held on Thursday, April 25. They are protesting a controversial plan to relocate Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School. *Photo courtesy of San Jose Spotlight.*

"You need to involve us in this process," said an Almaden Valley resident.

"I suggest that you get people in the community involved in the process, nominate certain people to get involved."

The board could not address the concerns raised by the parents and community members at the meeting, since the housing items were not included on the meeting agenda. However, the trustees directed people to the district's Employee Housing Initiative page: web.sjUSD.org/who-we-are/employee-housing

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Sam Liccardo rejects \$58k raise recommended by commission

By **Nadia Lopez**
Special to the Times

A city commission on Monday unanimously approved salary increases for San Jose elected leaders, including a whopping \$58,000 raise for Mayor Sam Liccardo and a \$28,000 raise for city councilmembers.

But on Tuesday morning, Liccardo rejected the raise in a new memo released by his office.

Instead, Liccardo suggested aligning current and future mayoral salary increases with those typical for most employees, about 3 percent annually. He suggested receiving no more than a 3 percent annual raise for the duration of his term.

"When voters last year authorized the Salary Setting Commission to decide on the salaries of sitting Councilmembers and Mayor, I doubt any of our residents had in mind the magnitude of increases proposed by that commission," Liccardo said. "Our City colleagues don't earn salary increases of that nature, and we have ominous signs of budgetary challenges ahead – that's why I'm calling for a reduction of the Mayoral salary increase to something more modest."

Liccardo, who received backlash from city workers following a news report from San Jose Spotlight about the raises, said in his memo that inflation in Dec. 2018 rose 4.5 percent over the prior 12 months, and his raise should not exceed that.

"I recommend a reduction of the increase to something more modest," the mayor wrote. "I recommend a rate of 3 percent, which reflects the minimum raises that most of our employees received last year and this year."

But commissioners argued that the raises are necessary to meet the growing demands and responsibilities that the job requires while considering that San Jose is the tenth largest city in the U.S., according to a letter from commissioners Eileen Consiglio, David Burckhard and Chairman Douglas Ludlow.

City councilmembers will receive a new salary of \$125,000 — up from about \$97,000 last year — a 22 percent raise. Liccardo was set to receive \$190,000, a nearly 30 percent increase from his 2018 salary of \$132,000. The new base salaries go into effect on July 1.

Now with Liccardo rejecting his raise, the City Council may adopt an ordinance rejecting the proposed salary increases or submit a letter to reduce their salaries by a set amount, said City Clerk Toni Taber.

The raises were recommended by the 3-member Salary Setting Commission, which looked at elected officials' salaries in other major cities to make its suggestions. The commission will not meet again this year, said Taber.

"The Commission felt strongly that the salary should empower good candidates who can devote their full time to the position," the commissioners said in a letter to City Manager Dave Sykes. "A strong competitive salary for the City Council is imperative to attracting the kind of candidates who will be strong stewards of the City of San Jose. The Com-

mission strongly believes that the compensation for the Mayor and Councilmembers should be fair and adequate with respect to the scope and complexity of their responsibilities."

The role of the Salary Setting Commission shifted after voters approved Measure U last fall, which removed councilmembers and the mayor from approving their own salaries — a hot button issue that voters agreed was a conflict of interest.

Previously, the commission made recommendations for raises, but the City Council voted to adopt them, which became a highly-politicized affair. Now, the commission approves the salaries outright, taking the decision-making out of the elected officials' hands.

Starting this year, the commission sets salaries that will be revisited every five years. In between the five years, the mayor and councilmembers will receive annual raises based on cost-of-living increases, but no more than five percent per year.

While pay raises are important to keep up with inflation, some argue that the standard should be met for every city worker — not just the mayor and City Council.

"What message does it send to the employees of the city when the mayor is given a massive increase in compensation?" said Bradley Fox, a city engineer and president of the Architects and Engineers Union. "We're not against correcting for equities, but I think it's bad optics to be asking employees to tighten their belts when they say, 'We can only afford to give you a 3 percent increase' or whatever that nominal cost of living rate may be — and then turn around and accept a raise that's much higher than that for themselves."

The mayor and City Council members in the past have received benefits that other city workers did not, Fox added, such as pensionable pay increases. He said it's important that city elected officials "lead by example" and "take increases that are commensurate with what they're asking employees to take."

But the commissioners argued that a competitive salary is critical to attracting qualified residents to run for office, an "equally important" reason to raise the salary base pay.

Data compiled by the commission shows Liccardo last year earned less than mayors in San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles — though they all have a strong mayor system that gives their mayors more authority and control over city governance.

Liccardo's salary of \$132,000 last year was higher than mayors in Fresno, Sacramento and San Diego.

"The Council's salaries should be appropriately competitive by the local living standards so that San Jose residents are not unduly deterred from running for office," the commissioners said. "Overall, compensation is one of several significant factors in encouraging candidates to run for Mayor and Council position."

The commissioners cited several variables that contributed to the salary increases, including the high-stakes responsibilities of an elected official's position, the frequency of City Council meetings and committees, events that elected officials must attend and the size and population of San Jose.

The commissioners will not meet again until 2024 to discuss the next salary base rate, said Taber, who added that in five years it will most likely "be a completely new commission."

Contact Nadia Lopez at nadia@sanjos-spotlight.com or follow @n_lopez on Twitter. Article courtesy of San José Spotlight.

Times **Community**

The annual Heart of the Park event brings neighbors together to celebrate Almaden's parks.

Celebrate Heart of The Park: May 18

The Martin Fontana Parks Association (MFPA) presents the Heart of the Park Celebration on Sat., May 18.

This annual event brings together friends and neighbors to celebrate our two great Almaden Parks.

The MFPA has worked hard to keep these parks beautiful, accessible and fun for all of the park neighbors. This year the Celebration features a variety of handmade crafts, the traditional dog parade at 1:30 a.m., a birding tour, barn owl display, master gardeners, face painting, games, and a raffle with valuable prizes.

This annual event is held to remind neighbors of how close TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks came to losing valued trees and shade. In 2010 PG&E announced intentions to remove 140 mature shade trees from our parks. A group of park neighbors formed a nonprofit, and within a year stopped the mass cutting of the trees. PG&E has now become a sponsor of the parks and works with MFPA to monitor tree growth and plant new trees.

The annual celebration brings the park community together to learn about the park resources, problems, and to raise funds to keep the trees trimmed and enhance the

well-being of our parks.

MFPA concentrates on improving the parks with new projects every year. This past year the organization completed a large project bringing five new native plant islands to Fontana Park, working with volunteers and park staff.

MFPA also partners with scouts working for their Eagle Scout badges. Recently we sponsored an Eagle Scout who built two new picnic tables for the children's playground at Fontana Park. Scouts have also built a kiosk, new gardens, and new benches in the parks.

The event is designed to bring pride to our parks and help MFPA continue its work long into the future. "We hope all the neighbors who use the park join us for the annual celebration," said Linda Wilson, MFPA president. "We thank our sponsors: the District 10 City Council Office, the Santa Clara County Realtors Foundation, Almaden Valley Nursery, PG&E, and our local business raffle donors for their support."

The event begins at 12 noon on May 18 with a birding tour led by Lisa Myers in Guadalupe Oak Grove Park, with activities starting at 1 p.m. near the dog park (Golden Oak Way and Ostenberg Drive). The closing event will feature a raffle from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information contact Robert Braunstein at 408-410-5808 or email calhi20@gmail.com.



Mission Peak Brass Band to appear May 4

Foothill Community Concert Series will present Mission Peak Brass Band on Saturday, May 4th at 3 p.m. at Foothill Presbyterian Church 5301 McKee Road, San Jose.

In the tradition of British-style Colliery Bands, the 30-piece Mission Peak Brass Band presents an engaging introduction to the brass band genre. The program promises to be full of musical styles—from the storytelling of George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess and James Horner's The Mask of Zorro to the ethereal Pie Jesu by Gabriel

Faure, the rousing Spitfire & Hurricane March by F.S. Robson/S. Hauge, and music by such well-known British composers as Philip Sparke, Ben Hollings, and Peter Graham.

The featured performers include John Monroe on Euphonium, Chris Wilhite of Flugelhorn, Dave Adams and Ken Walter on Cornet and Keith Johns on Eb Soprano Cornet. It's going to be the bee's knees!

Tickets are available at the door, or online at www.foothillpc.org/mission-peak-brass-band-2019. Online tickets are available up to 48 hours prior to concert start. Tickets purchased online will be waiting for you at the door. Admission: \$15.00 advance / \$17.50 door. Admission includes a post-concert reception with a chance to meet the artists.



Dennis and Marie Campoy of Almaden Valley announce the engagement of their daughter Kathryn A. Campoy to Wade D. Spenadar, son of Tony and Laretta Spenadar.

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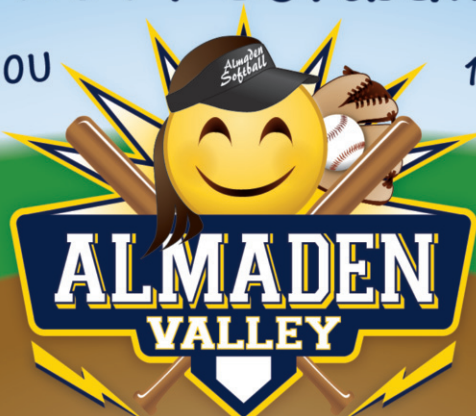
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I Care Classic Bike Tour: May 11

Almaden Lions is hosting their annual fundraiser "I Care Classic" Bike Tour on Saturday, May 11, which enables the club to fund eye exams and pay for eye glasses for children in need.

The bike tour is affectionately called the "Cookie Ride" as every single rest stop is stocked with homemade cookies for riders.

This ride is perfect for both first timers and riders in training for more competitive type rides.

The I Care meanders through beautiful South Santa Clara County and along with the aforementioned cookies our riders are fortified at the rest stops along the four routes and supported by our exceptional SAG team.

The ride finishes in Morgan Hill with a wonderful BBQ chicken lunch complete with salads and ice cream sundaes! Each rider receives a shirt and goodie bag at the end.

If you wish to participate please visit: ICARECLASSIC.ORG

'Bike for Miles' giveaway announced

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Bay Area Bike to Work Day on May 9 – and encourage more local residents to commute on two wheels – Alaska Airlines is launching the "Bike for Miles" giveaway.

The first 500 Mileage Plan members who participate in Bike to Work Day and post a photo of themselves on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook tagging @AlaskaAir with the hashtags #BikeforAlaskaMiles and #BTWD2019 will receive 5,000 Alaska Airlines Mileage Plan™ miles, enough for a free, one-way award ticket (plus taxes and fees) between select cities.

Award travel starts at only 5,000 miles one-way on Alaska's highly-acclaimed, generous Mileage Plan program, which offers one mile for every mile flown on Alaska, even on the lowest fare. In addition, Mileage Plan members can earn and redeem miles with Alaska's Global Partners to fly to more than 900 destinations worldwide. Members can earn Elite status with Alaska Airlines that starts at just 20,000 miles and comes with perks such as two free checked bags, priority check-in and boarding and preferred seating. Learn more and register for free at <https://www.alaskaair.com/mileageplan>.

"As the presenting sponsor of Bay Area Bike to Work Day, Alaska Airlines is dedicated to providing affordable, sustainable and convenient travel options," said Annabel

Chang, Alaska Airlines' vice president of the Bay Area. "Alaska is excited to offer the first 500 Mileage Plan members who participate the opportunity to bike to work and earn enough miles for a free one-way flight between select cities, like San Francisco to San Diego. With our award-winning Mileage Plan program, members can take advantage of 38 nonstop award travel destinations from the Bay Area."

In addition to giving away a total of 2,500,000 Mileage Plan miles to Bike to Work Day participants, Alaska Airlines has partnered with GoBike to provide a free, 30-minute single ride to the first 500 people who come by the Alaska Airlines activation space at the San Jose event on May 9. As a founding partner of GoBike, Alaska Airlines launched the Miles-for-Miles program, which allows GoBike and Mileage Plan members the ability to earn 10 Alaska Airlines miles each time they ride.

For more information, please visit: www.bayareabiketowork.com

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Pioneer High School Blood Drive: May 20

Pioneer High School is hosting a blood drive on Monday, May 20, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the School's gym.

Unfortunately, due to new regulations from Stanford that increase the wait time for donors 18 years old and younger from 2 months to 6 months, the blood drive will lose most of its eligible student donors.

To fill the gap, Pioneer's Service Learning Class is reaching out to the community to encourage everyone to donate blood. If there are not enough sign-ups, future Pioneer Blood Drives may have to be cancelled. This would have a negative impact on the school and for the community due to a decrease in blood donations which could cause shortages at blood banks in the local area.

So, drop in on May 20 and donate!

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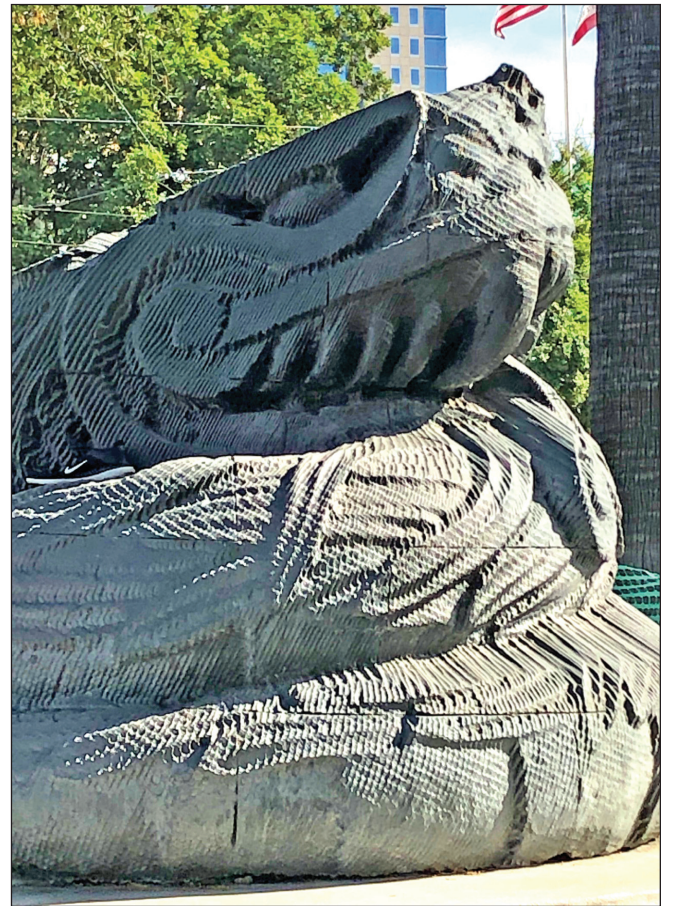
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Above: Mural art *Viva Abundante* by artist Jim Miner. At right: *Plumed Serpent*, a sculpture of Quetzalcóatl created by Robert Graham, was created to symbolize the spirit of social harmony and diversity.

Public Art

Continued from page 1

"In these times when fear, inequity and divisiveness are so prevalent," says El Mac, "this mural is intended to convey hope and empathy. The figure is based on an inspiring young activist...who represents mixed-status families and advocates for immigration reform in the U.S."

In 2015, Cruz approached Pope Francis during his visit to Washington, D.C., entrusting him with a missive requesting his help on behalf of immigrant children. "My friends and I love each other," she says, "without caring about the color of our skin."

Both SJPA and SJMA seek to bridge communities through artworks and exhibitions and create experiential opportunities for growth. "Graphic imagery can be powerful and cross language barriers," says Michael Ogilvie, Director of Public Art for the City of San Jose.

Supported by a \$275,000 grant from the James Irvine Foundation, during the past few years, SJMA has reached out to the Vietnamese community, both inside and outside of its walls. SJMA realized that while the attendance of Chinese, South Asian and Latino populations at the museum increased since 2010, visitation by the Vietnamese community had not. In response, SJMA showcased Vietnamese art and entertainment at the museum, hosted a hands-on artmaking activity at the San Jose Tet Festival and created a mobile art studio featuring Vietnamese artisans such as ceramicists, musicians, brush painters and poets, as well as contemporary artists.

SJMA is striving to become a museum without borders, bringing art into the community through Art Portal and participating in events such as the Worldwide Women Girls' Festival, Ao Dai Festival V and FOREST at University of California, Santa Cruz.

Public art, which consists of art within the

public realm, thrives in San Jose. It includes crosswalk art, murals, sculptures and interactive installations like Dan Corson's *Sensing YOU*, located downtown in the underpass at Highway 87 and Santa Clara St. Inspired by raindrops on water and echoing cell phone patterns, the 1,000 painted circles and illuminated rings create circulating light and color, evoked by the movement of passersby in a space previously foreboding.

Creative placemaking is contrived through *Urban Rooms*, Estudio Teddy Cruz + Forman's artistic shade structures at Market and First St., in the heart of South First Arts (SoFA) District. There, through simple steel structures clad in vinyl-coated chain-link, concrete slabs are transformed into an open stage to host live performances with room to dance. As the sun rises and sets, shadows

shift the patterns of the mesh and fabric, instilling into them a life of their own.

In all, SJPA manages more than 300 diverse artworks at 130 sites throughout the city. They are currently consulting on the San Jose Light Tower project at Arena Green by the SAP Center.

In addition to providing art downtown, SJPA also enhances neighborhood community libraries, parks and pathways. Projects in District 10 include *Almaden Sphere* by Ray King, located in the lobby of the Almaden Community Center, which consists of more than 1,000 pieces of reflective dichroic glass. In TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks, six local artists were hired to transform twelve water district utility boxes into nature and water-themed murals befitting the natural setting.



"Art can make a huge difference," says a resident at the AVCA meeting. However, sometimes art is unappreciated by the community it serves. "The wire structure at Almaden and Alma Ave. seems to me almost unfortunate," says a resident. "Why didn't they save the money for something bold that makes a statement? Public art is distilled down to the least common denominator. The dalmatian sliding down the pole in front of the fire station on Cahalan Ave. is cute, but it will never be seen as a great piece of art."

Plumed Serpent, a sculpture of Quetzalcóatl created by Robert Graham, was created for the City of San Jose to symbolize the spirit of social harmony and diversity. Ironically, it is one of the city's most controversial public art pieces. "People either love it or hate it," says Ogilvie, "but many communities love it." Located at Plaza de Cesar Chavez, the piece is based on ancient Aztec artifacts, which Graham studied in Mexico. Unfortunately, many see it as something else. "Graham is a blue chipper who can charge whatever he wants for his work," says Ogilvie. "He's that famous. He was true to the historical reference of Quetzalcoatl." However, Ogilvie admits that the first time he saw it, he thought San Jose was a brave city for putting it out there. Adding to its infamy, the City and artist were sued as the piece was deemed a religious artifact. They eventually won the case, as the artist intended it as a historical rather than a religious piece. "This case defended our Freedom of Speech," says Ogilvie. "We all have different opinions and are allowed to express those thoughts."

SJPA's Public Art Committee, which is responsible for reviewing work plans and approving artworks on City property, is composed of artists, arts and design professionals and urban planners. SJMA recently changed their bylaws to include artists on their Board.

Funding is a major issue for both public art and the SJMA. SJPA is funded through a

Times **Feature**

Untitled stainless steel sculpture by artist Stephanie Scuris

municipal ordinance which allocates 1 percent of City Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budgets for the commission, purchase, and installation of artworks. “Our city needs a larger budget for public art,” says a resident. “When developers build new buildings, they should be charged a percentage for public art like other cities do.”

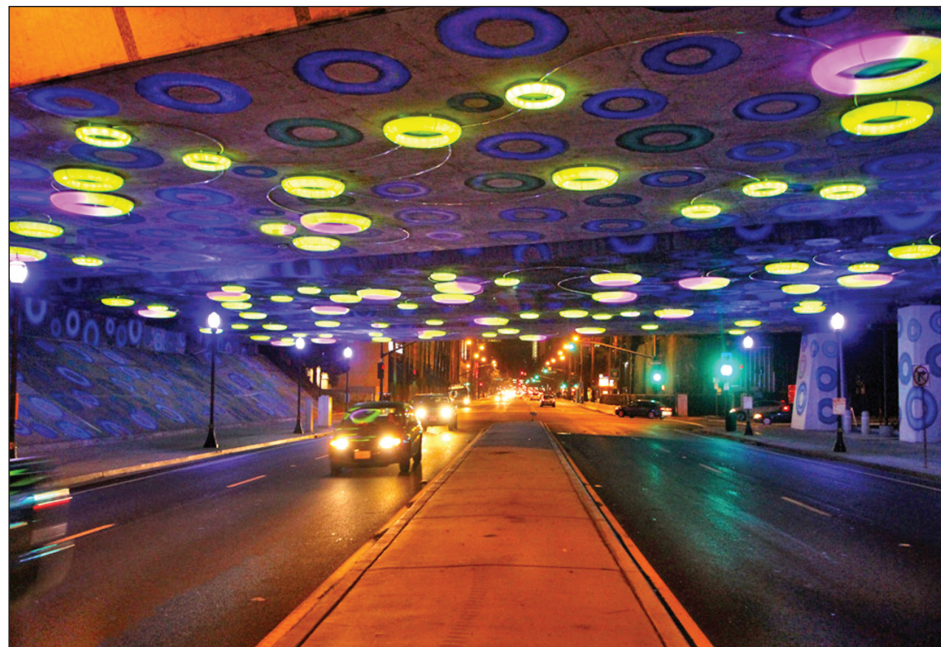
SJMA, which operates out of a city-owned building, can compete for grants from the city. Its annual Celebration Gala is an essential fundraiser, contributing nearly 20 percent of the museum’s revenue and directly supporting SJMA’s exhibitions, public programs, and education initiatives. Other funding sources include endowment by patrons and specific art acquisition endowments, which are instrumental in building a collection.

This year, SJMA is holding its 50th Anniversary Celebration Gala and Auction on Sept 21, 2019, in honor of founding members Susan Hammer and Ann Marie Mix. Artist Leo Villareal, whose work includes *The Bay Lights* installation on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, will also be honored. “He was awarded a \$20 million project to light bridges along the Thames River in London,” says Susan Sayre Batton, SJMA, “and we’re super proud of our affiliation with him.”

Even SJMA’s home has an illustrious history. The oldest portion of the museum, built in 1892, served as San Jose’s post office. It was the city’s library from 1937 to 1969, before becoming a museum. Its newer addition was built in 1991 and houses the art galleries.

SJMA is a museum of firsts. “We’re a place where artists had their first show and went on to launch their careers,” says Batton. Villareal first exhibited at SJMA, as did Jim Campbell, whose *Day for Night* light installation

shines atop Salesforce Tower in San Francisco. A contemporary museum, SJMA boasts about 2,500 works of art and hosts 8 to 12 exhibitions a year based upon themes or artists. “As the main art museum in Silicon Valley, we’re at the intersection of art and technology,” says Batton. Artist Catherine

*Sensing YOU* by Dan Corson. Photo courtesy of Dan Corson. <http://dancorson.com/sensing-you>

Wagner’s *Paradox Wall*, an 8-by-40-foot arc of MRIs of pomegranates, exemplifies this vision.

The museum also has a commitment to organize original traveling exhibitions, including Rina Banerjee’s *Make Me a Summary of the World*, which is the first mid-career retrospective and touring exhibition of the artist’s work. Through her colorful installations, sculptures and paintings, Banerjee investigates themes of identity, globalization, feminism and climate change. Her work features materials sourced worldwide, including African tribal jewelry, feathers, Murano glass and South Asian antiques.

In addition to being open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday, the SJMA also has evening hours. On Third Thursdays (the third Thursday of every month), it is open

until 8 p.m., and on Facebook First Fridays (the first Friday of every month) it is open until 9 p.m.

“Tech does fund art,” says Batton. Through a large grant from Facebook, the museum was able to extend its hours to join the South First Fridays Art Walk, a self-guided nighttime tour of galleries and creative businesses featuring eclectic art and special performances.

“In our opinion, we should be open every night,” she says. “San Jose, especially downtown, is a night culture.” On February 1, their initial Facebook First Friday, 1,000 people visited the museum, enjoying the DJ, cash bar and art. “People were in the galleries engaging with the work and that’s exciting for us,” she says. “We want to be the new gathering place.”

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More than 70 volunteers turned out for The Great American Litter Pickup on April 13.

Volunteers turn out for Great American Litter Pick Up

More than 70 volunteers turned out to clean up our neighborhoods at The Great American Litter Pickup on April 13.

The District 10 sites were at Pioneer High School and Vista Park where volunteers were outfitted with tools and supplies so that they could pick up litter around Hoffman-Via Monte, Blossom Hill, Vista Park, Martial Cottle Park, and other areas. Volunteers filled up 62 bags of litter along Blossom Hill Road from Meridian to Snell, around the VTA stations, near percolation ponds, and around several shopping centers.

District 10 also hosted a Dumpster Day in the Playa Del Rey neighborhood where several dumpsters were filled with cast-off items.

San Jose City Councilman Johnny Khamis thanked Bob Vonderwerth and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints volunteers who helped out with the event!

"I'm grateful to all the volunteers who did an incredible job picking up trash in District 10," said Khamis. "Even when it's not a City-wide Great American Litter Pick-Up event, we have amazing District 10 residents who regularly pick up trash on their daily walks or organize neighborhood cleanups without any fanfare. I'm sure there were many volunteers that weren't included in our official count of 72, and it's this dedication and care for the community that makes our District 10 neighborhoods such a great place to live!"

SVCTE's 14th Annual Custom & Classic Car Show: May 3

Classic car clubs, collectors, and enthusiasts are invited to attend the 14th Annual Custom and Classic Car show on Friday, May 3, from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Spectator admission to the car show is free, with limited parking. The event is held at the SVCTE campus located at 760 Hillsdale Avenue, San Jose, CA 95136.

The Silicon Valley Career Technical Education car show has grown steadily in size with more than 200 entries in 2018 that raised more than \$5,000. This year, the organization hopes to have more than 300 vehicle exhibitors.

Exhibitor passes are a \$20 tax-deductible donation/fee per car, truck, motorcycle or bicycle in the SVCTE auto show. Pre-registration is not available. Exhibitors will pay at the gate on the night of the event. All proceeds go directly to support students competing in SkillsUSA competitions. This past February, 21 SVCTE students won region-

al medals and 26 qualified to advance to the SkillsUSA state competition at the Ontario Convention Center on April 25-28.

According to SVCTE's Auto Body instructor and event organizer, Robert McTaggart, more than 1,000 spectators attend the annual event each year. Spectators enjoy voting on their favorites in eight categories: best car, best motorcycle, best pedal push, best car under construction, best truck, best club participation, best engine, and the best paint job in the show.

Students and staff from SVCTE programs showcase a variety of display tables. Live music will be performed by Vital Sign. Food and soft drinks will be available for purchase. Pets are not permitted on site.

For questions or to assist with sponsorships, contact the event organizer: Robert McTaggart at (408) 723-6563.

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Times **Community**

VTA Releases final recommendations for 2019 new transit service plan

By Johnny Khamis
Special to the Times

I've had the opportunity to serve on the VTA board for the past six years. During my time as a member of the VTA board, and as your Councilmember, I have strongly advocated for efficient bus and light rail services in Almaden Valley.

VTA recently released a plan that will restructure bus service in Almaden Valley: Merge Routes 63 and 64, Retain Route 13 as Route 83: The final plan proposes multiple changes from the draft plan that are based on efficiency improvements identified by VTA staff and ideas contributed by the Almaden community.

Routes 63 and 64 would be consolidated into a single Route 64 with 64a and 64b branches. This combination and routing change saves service hours in Downtown San Jose that can be used to extend the routes further south and retain service as far south as Almaden and Harry Road.

VTA's current Route 13 would be renamed Route 83 and be modified (as proposed in the 2017 Next Network Plan) to travel along McAbee Road and Camden Avenue to serve the Almaden Community Center. For more details, visit: bit.ly/2vqly5k

What's next?

This final service plan will be presented to the VTA Board May 2 for their consideration. These meetings are open to the public and can be found on VTA's website. They present another opportunity to weigh in on what is ultimately approved by the

Board.

The final transit service plan would then be implemented with the start of BART service to Santa Clara County projected for late 2019.

For questions and information, contact my staff Shivani Basnet at shivani.basnet@sanjoseca.gov or call 408-535-4982.

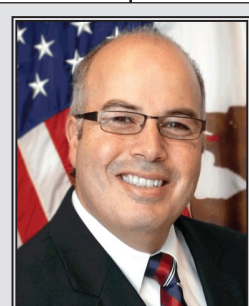
Updates on Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School

I have been following the developments related to SJUSD's plans with respect to teacher housing and Leland and Bret Harte schools.

I reached out to our Board representative, Kimberly Meek, and to the District for an update. There were two items on the San Jose Unified

School District Board of Education agenda from March 28th about which members of the community had questions: a service agreement, item N.2, and a real property conference, item E.7.

You will find accurate information about those items at bit.ly/sjusdfuture. This site, which will continue to be updated as they have new information, also contains an overview of their employee housing initiative and master plan process.



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2. SJ Environmental Services

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3. SJ Parks, Recreation & Neighborhood Services

Carolina Camarena, Public Information Manager
PRNS Master Plan "ActivateSJ" planning & process

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2019 street paving program in District 10

Obtain answers, formulate your viewpoint, influence the future

Accepting 2019 Grant Applications

D10 Leadership Coalition has received a 2018-2019 San Jose Beautify Grant and is now accepting applications from neighborhood groups and individuals who would like financial help staging neighborhood events such as Block Parties, National Night Out (Tu. Aug 6th), Neighborhood cleanups, etc.

For More information and to apply, send an email to

D10LeadershipCoalition@gmail.com

District 10 Leadership Coalition ** P.O. Box 20156, San Jose, Ca. 95160 ** www.sjd10leadership.org

Broadway San Jose Presents The Book of Mormon



Saturday, July 20, 2019
At the Center for Performing Arts

Back by popular demand. The Book of Mormon played for a sold-out crowd during a two-week engagement in San Jose, CA in 2015.

The Book of Mormon is a Tony winning musical comedy by Parker & Stone. They are best known for creating the animated comedy South Park.

The Book of Mormon follows two Mormon missionaries as they attempt to preach the Mormon religion to the inhabitants of a remote Ugandan Village.

Tickets will be sold for \$90.00 in the lobby of the Almaden Community Center
M, W, F 9:30-11:30 am

Questions call: Rich 408 219-8641 or Sally 408 926-9619



Times **Community****Silicon Valley Wine Auction: May 18-19**

Be prepared to raise your paddle high, kick-off your shoes and dance the night away, while impacting the lives of children in our community at this year's Silicon Valley Wine Auction fundraiser.

The event kicks off on Saturday, May 18, 2019, at 5 p.m. where patrons will enjoy an epicurean Santa Cruz Mountains wine dinner, live auction and special appeal at one of the Mountains newest wineries, Eden Estates in Saratoga, CA.

The event continues on Sunday, May 19, 2019, with a Grand Wine Tasting Extravaganza, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sip, sample and bid! Meander Montalvo Arts Center in Saratoga, CA and enjoy an individual picnic lunch as you taste 150 wines from more than 40 Santa Cruz Mountains vintners and bid on more than 200 wine lots in the silent auction.

To inquire about tickets to the dinner please contact Megan Metz at megan@scmwef.org call (831) 685-8463.

San Jose Clean Energy Bill Clinic to be held May 15

Do you have questions about San Jose Clean Energy (SJCE) and your electricity bill?

SJCE is here to help! Bring your questions and your bill to the bill clinic on Wednesday, May 15, 11:45 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Almaden Community Center located at 6445 Camden Ave.

In February, 2019, SJCE became the City's official electricity generation provider, bringing residents and businesses cleaner energy at lower rates.

As an SJCE customer, you receive one bill for your power service, sent by PG&E. The bill looks

a little different, but there's no need to worry - SJCE is here to answer all your questions.

Each bill clinic will begin with a short presentation followed by open "office hours."

Election day holiday approved by committee

Legislation authored by Assemblymember Evan Low (D-Silicon Valley) to make Election Day a holiday in California passed the Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization by a vote of 13-6 earlier this month.

Assembly Bill 177 would establish a state holiday on the first Tuesday in November of each statewide or national election year.


"When less than half of the electorate shows up to vote, our democracy suffers," said Assemblymember Evan Low. "Establishing an Elec-

tion Day Holiday will demonstrate California's strong and unwavering commitment to an engaged electorate and ensure more Californians have the opportunity to vote."

In 2014, California saw historically low voter turnout, with just 25 percent of registered voters participating in the primary, and just 42 percent of registered voters participating in the general election.

Making Election Day a holiday will ensure more people are able to participate in the electoral process by giving them the time and opportunity to vote. This is especially important to low-income voters because it removes financial roadblocks that keep them from taking unpaid time-off to vote, and will ultimately help engage more voters. While current state law allows Californians to take up to two hours off from work, without loss of pay, to cast a ballot, the state can do more to help facilitate greater voter participation.


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NEW CAPTAIN -- Gina Tibaldi is the new San Jose Police Captain for District 10 following Johnson Fong who retired. She is pictured with San Jose City Councilman **Johnny Khamis**. Tibaldi was born and raised in Almaden. She graduated from Leland High School where she was a champion on the Leland Speech and Debate team.

Almaden Valley residents initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

Ten Almaden Valley residents were recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi at San Jose State University. Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society.

Congratulations to the following students: Ashley Hesselbein, David Strunz, Mansze Lok, Eduardo Fisher Jr., Melissa Montana, Ashlyn Wong, James Giotta, Danielle Gutierrez, Gina Lee, and Dalia Rodriguez.

Membership in Phi Kappa Phi is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Since its founding, more than 1.5 million members have been initiated into Phi Kappa Phi. Some of the organization's notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, novelist John Grisham and YouTube co-founder Chad Hurley.

Each year, Phi Kappa Phi awards nearly \$1 million to outstanding students and members through graduate and dissertation fellowships, undergraduate study abroad grants, funding for post-baccalaureate development, and grants for local,

national and international literacy initiatives.

For more information about Phi Kappa Phi, visit www.phikappaphi.org.

Silicon Valley Career Technical Education student from Almaden wins Silver Award

Silicon Valley Career Technical Education (SVCTE) students won four gold medals, four silver medals, and two bronze medals during the SkillsUSA California 52nd Annual State Leadership and Skill Conference.

Winning the Silver award was Bradley Smedley: Electrical, Leland High School.

SVCTE sent twenty-one students to the state competition on April 25-28 in Ontario, CA. SkillsUSA state gold medalists are eligible to participate in the 55th Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference on June 24-28 in Louisville, Kentucky.

"We had a great group of Silicon Valley students representing us this year. Each day included focused activities, from motivation to competition protocols to interviewing for jobs and skill demonstrations. This year's students were so professional," said Gina Fleming, an SVCTE Dental Assisting instructor and SkillsUSA Advisor.

"Students always have an amazing experience, learning more about leadership in their skill area and strengthening their communication skills. We put a lot of time and effort into the students and the students give it back since it is the career they have chosen."

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For more information, please contact (408) 268-1133.



Thursday, June 13, 2019

We're going back to Chukchansi Casino

The departure location has changed because our usual charter bus does not travel to Chukchansi Casino. The new location is this company's regular pick up.

We will meet at the Park & Ride at the HWY 85 overpass on Camden Avenue.

Arrive: 7:45 am

Depart: 8:00 am

Return: 7:00 pm

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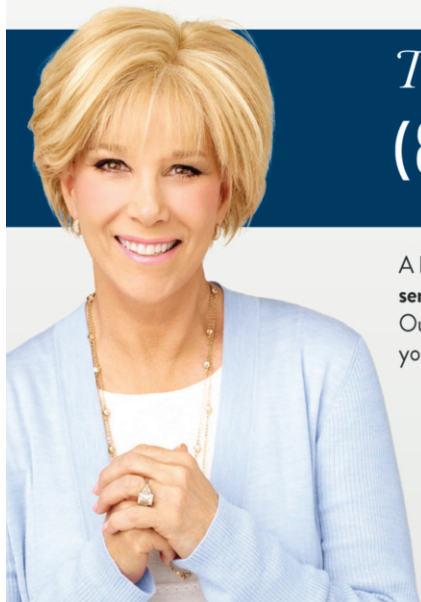
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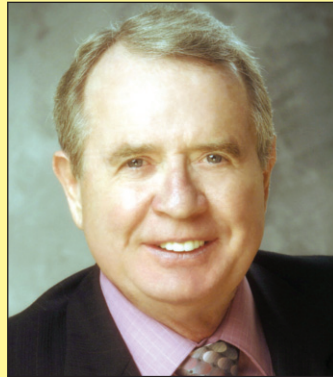
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Driver Training is the behind the wheel training which prepares your child to pass the driving test at the DMV. We also offer complete programs for adults and senior citizens. If you have never driven or just need some supplemental instruction to improve your driving skills, we are just the school for you! We believe Advantage Driving School offers a great combination of experienced driving instructors and affordable prices!

Location: 5440 Thornwood Drive, Suite F;

Hours: 9 am-5 pm M-F 9 am-12 noon S-S; Phone: 408.363.4182; Email: info@advantagedriversed.com | Website: advantagedriversed.com

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Singles

Almaden Valley (Senior) Singles

The organization that brings single residents of Almaden Valley (95120) over 65 to enjoy a social life close to home and take part in community service.

Come and join us for our monthly breakfast which are held at 9 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at
Cup and Saucer,
Princeton Plaza Mall, 1375
Blossom Hill Road.



20421 HUNTERS HILL ROAD



OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 1-4PM

Spectacular 180° valley and mountain views from this newly upgraded ranch-style home. Breathtaking views of Mt Umunhum, Mt. Thayer and the acres of open space in the Almaden Quicksilver County Park stretch out before you in this private and park-like setting. Newly remodeled, 2459+/-sf single-story home with 4 bedrooms, 3 baths on a 1.2+/-acre lot. An expansive deck, outdoor dining areas, sweeping lawns, and a fully fenced Pebble Tec pool and spa offer fabulous entertaining.

Offered at \$1,999,999

6361 MENLO DRIVE

OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 1-4PM

Single level, 1,862+/-sf home on a 6,000+/-sf lot. Four bedrooms, two full baths. Living room with slider to the backyard. Kitchen with granite slab counters and backsplash. Family room with wood-burning fireplace. Close to Almaden Lake Park, Almaden Quicksilver County Park, New Almaden Quicksilver Museum, trails, parks, shops, schools, library, restaurants and more. San Jose Unified School District.

Offered at \$1,399,000



RECENT TRANSACTIONS

6529 Camden Avenue Sale Pending at \$1,899,000
22740 San Vicente Avenue Sold for \$2,260,000
440 Santa Rosa Drive Sold for \$3,600,000

19460 Graystone Lane Sold for \$2,500,000
6572 Camelia Drive Sold for \$1,800,000
1160 Lone Pine Lane Sold for \$1,740,000



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