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Almaden Women's Club awards scholarships; announces logo winner

By Beth Swartz Special to the Times he Almaden Valley Wo-

men's Club announced the winners of this year's scholarships at their general meeting held last week at the Almaden Community Center. The club also announced the 2019 logo contest winner plus the four runners up.

Every year the club awards scholarships to graduating seniors living in or near the Almaden Valley. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement plus community service. This year's scholarship recipients had a wide variety of community service projects.

Katlyn Barbaccia, Senior, Leland High School

Katlyn will head to Chapman University to study Political Science with the goal of becoming a politician or social worker. She was commissioner in the Associated Student Body, chairing many events, acted in drama pro-



Scholarship Winners (I to r): Tushar Lakshminarayanan, Sergio Camacho, Capriana Jiang, Bhargavi Garimella, Katlyn Barbaccia, and Megan Shieh. Photo by Kevin Cook

ductions, and participated in the Let's Bring Change to Mind Club whose goal is to eradicate the negative stigma surrounding mental health. Katlyn has volun-

teered for several years with the Almaden Valley Women's Club and the Almaden Library. She has been a Leader in Training for Stanford University's Camp Imagineerz, teaching leadership skills to children ages 4 to 10. Katelyn's teachers say she is a natural leader who can really make See SCHOLARSHIPS, page 14

Celebrate **'Heart of The** Park': May 18

he Martin Fontana Parks Association (MFPA) presents the Heart of the Park

Celebration on Saturday, May 18. The Celebration begins at 12 noon 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).

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 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.

"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 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 wellbeing 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.

The event is held to remind neighbors of 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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 nonprof-



it, 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 closing event will feature a raffle from

Matt Mahan running for San Jose City **Council District 10**

ech entrepreneur Matt Mahan has jumped into the San Jose City Council race to replace termed-out District 10 Councilmember Johnny Khamis next year.

Mahan is the second candidate to announce his intention to run for the District 10 council seat, following community leader Jenny Higgins Bradanini.

Mahan, a Harvard graduate, attended Bellarmine College Prep, which offered him a full work-study scholarship as a low-income student.

'I'm motivated to run because I want to ensure that the next generation experiences the same level of opportunity and quality of life that San Jose has always provided me, said Mahan. "This city gave me a lot and I want to give back.

Mahan, 36, is founder and CEO of one of the world's most powerful platforms for political and civic engagement, Brigade.

Mahan said he'll focus his campaign on improving neighborhoods, investing in transit, bolstering public safety and finding creative solutions to the valley's homeless crisis and affordable housing shortage.

On his website, Mahan said, "Spending \$500,000 to build one affordable housing unit isn't going to work, Mahan said, and the city must find other scalable solutions — using old See MAHAN, page 8

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Fighting for the future of Leland and Bret Harte

By Lorraine Gabbert Senior Staff Writer

Residents fighting to keep Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School in their current locations made their voices heard at San Jose Unified School District's (SJUSD) Board of Education meeting on May 9. From SJUSD's first public meeting to the last, Almaden residents have shown up in droves with outcries against the district's plan to relocate the schools and build housing for teachers and school employees in their place.

"I think the District has their own agenda and they're really not focused on the citizens, taxpayers, parents and students in Almaden Valley," says Almaden resident Charles Tate. "Rather than being focused on educational issues, they want to become developers and landlords and build a campus that nobody in the community wants."

SJUSD's goal is to provide affordable housing to retain teachers and staff while creating state-of-the-art middle and high schools near Challenger School-Almaden on McKean Road. To do this, the District would leverage the 70 acres it owns near Calero County Park in exchange for undeveloped County property on McKean Road for Leland and Bret Harte's new campuses.

"The District purchased them decades ago for new school construction," says SJUSD Deputy Superintendent Stephen McMahon. "We don't think it's the best location for schools and is better for Santa Clara County to extend Calero Park there. The idea is that we can get a better facility while creating options for housing and preserving open space."

Tate says that the District's "convoluted plan" to tear down the schools, replace them with housing and rebuild the schools elsewhere would cost tens of millions of dollars. He believes that rather than "squandering scarce taxpayer funds," the District should work with the state legislature, County Board of Supervisors, city council and voters to find ways to pay teachers and staff wages which would enable them to afford housing near the schools they serve. "Pay teachers fair wages," he instructs the

Board. "Pay classified staff. Be the leaders you were elected to be. Don't waste taxpayer money on this unworkable idea. Do the right thing."

The District's Master Plan came from its concern with declining enrollment, teacher attrition and aging schools. "Teachers can't afford to live in the area," says Kimberly Meek, SJUSD Board Vice President and representative for Almaden Valley. "We have teachers with a family of four sharing a one-bedroom apartment. These are teachers, support staff, people who



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educate our futures."

"The question isn't just about what kind of workforce housing could be built here, but also what could we do that would be amazing for the students and the community," she says. "I've had many concerns expressed to me about the quality of the facilities here: there aren't enough science labs and the rooms are old. We thought it could be a great opportunity to build two schools with all the bells and whistles you'd want. What if we could get these great facilities and address workforce housing?"

SJUSD Superintendent Nancy Albarran agrees. "Our teachers and administrators aren't able to afford homes here given the cost of living," she says. "We're trying to find a solution to this problem."

However, the proposed new location for the schools would increase traffic congestion and



make walking to school impossible for most residents. A parent of a middle school student noted that her family specifically chose to move to their neighborhood due to their proximity to Bret Harte Middle School and Leland High School. "The students being able to walk safely to and from school is critical for working parents," she says. "Save Almaden Schools!"

"Being able to walk to school teaches kids independence and a stronger sense of community," says another parent. "It's also a safety issue. What if something happens? What's the response time for police and ambulance in the new area?"

The level of frustration Almaden residents are feeling is palpable. "This is the fourth or fifth meeting I've attended to request a datadriven, transparent and truthful Master Plan process," says Tobin Gilan. "My voice and the voices of other residents is being ignored. There's a crisis in confidence in Superintendent Albarran's and Deputy Superintendent McMahon's ability to lead. I'm here to ask the elected board members to do their job."

"Ms. Meek, you were elected to represent the people of Almaden," says resident Ginger Tate. "I believe board members forget that they're not part of the staff of San Jose Unified. They are the elected officials. They are the representatives for all of us. We are the taxpayers. We are the people who will be affected by any changes that happen. Please consider if this was your neighborhood, if you would want everything to be turned topsy-turvy."

Note: The Board did not address the speakers at this meeting as the issue was not on their agenda. Their statements were made at a previous pubic meeting. The next SJUSD Board of Education meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, at 855 Lenzen Ave., San Jose, CA 95126.

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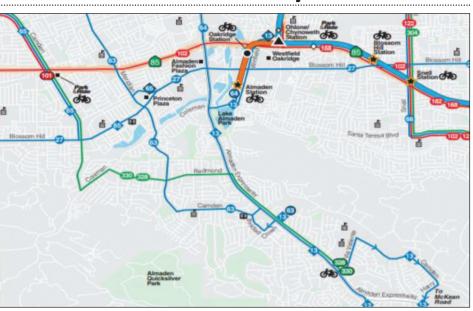


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Current VTA Transit Network

Saving Transit in Almaden Valley

By Michael Lee

Special to the Times n January, the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) proposed a New Transit Service Plan that decimated transit service in Almaden Valley, stranding seniors, people with disabilities, students and others. Gone were buses to our schools, library/community center, and most neighborhoods, as well as connections to Oakridge Mall and the light rail system.

Thanks in no small part to the Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA), on April 5, VTA released a much-improved final plan that not only preserves but enhances existing local transit services.

In 2017, VTA's original Next Network Plan nearly dealt the final blow to Almaden Valley by cancelling all transit service here. Out of the nearly 450 vehicles that VTA operates at any one time, that plan would not have provided even a single bus serving Almaden Valley and its nearly 40,000 residents, including over 4,000 middle and high school students and 7,000 senior citizens. At VTA's public meeting at the Southside Community Center in February that year, a large contingent of Almaden residents urged VTA to preserve lifeline transit service. It was there that AVCA planted the seeds that enabled us to create constructive solutions to counter VTA's draft 2019 New Transit Service Plan proposal.

In addition to service cutbacks, a key reason why Route 13 has not achieved its ridership potential is because it misses some key destinations. At that 2017 meeting, AVCA Transportation Chair Bob Strain asked VTA to investigate redesigning the route to swing by Castillero and the library/community center. Michael Lee, a long-time AVCA member who is now Transportation Chair, suggested rerouting the bus to pass by the shopping plazas at Almaden and Blossom Hill. These changes would have added to the places Route 13 already serves, including the light rail, Oakridge Mall, Leland, Bret Harte, Almaden Center and the far south end of the valley. While we were unable to convince VTA to keep Route 63 at the time, VTA did ultimately adopt our revised Route 13, renumbering it Route 83.

Due to BART delays, VTA's revised Next Network Plan was not implemented and Route 83 never came to fruition. In late 2018, VTA came under increased financial pressures and sought deeper cuts to community routes to offset additional service increases in other parts of the county. The New Transit Service Plan VTA released this January once again proposed cancelling Route 13. With Route 63 already approved for elimination in 2017, these cuts would have left most transit riders in our community without access to schools, jobs and other life activities.

On February 11, AVCA hosted a VTA community meeting to discuss these cuts. AVCA Vice President Michele Dexter felt it was within AVCA's charter to inform Almaden residents of alternatives. Michael Lee created presentations on transit in Almaden Valley, and VTA staff were intrigued by its content.

Lee's presentation, which included "A Winning VTA Solution for Almaden," demonstrated that with a key route adjustment, VTA could fund Route 83 using the one bus VTA had committed to Almaden in the New Transit Service Plan. Prompted by AVCA member Steve Levin, we also looked into the proposed cancellation of Route 63. Our analysis of its schedule showed that cutting service to Almaden Valley failed to save VTA any buses or expenses. Later, AVCA Board member Matt Mahan—who depended on VTA as a high school student—penned a powerful medium.com piece and gathered over 500 signatures in support of keeping Routes 63 and 83 through an online petition.

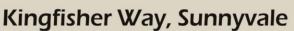
To their credit, VTA staff members incorporated our input and credited "ideas contributed by the Almaden community" in helping them revise their plan. The result is a clear victory for Almaden Valley and truly a win-win for VTA and its riders. VTA staff recommended the following changes to their Board of Directors, which were approved during their meeting on May 2:

• Implementing Route 83 every hour from 6 am to 9 pm on weekdays.

• Retaining Route 63 (renumbered to Route 64b) service to Almaden and Camden, instead of ending it at Meridian and Blossom Hill. VTA is also increasing weekday midday service from 45 to 30 minutes, while keeping the existing hourly weekend service.

• Rerouting Route 64 (renumbered to See VTA, page 10





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The students led the Pledge of Allegiance during the council meeting. They also got to see the spectacular view of downtown from the office of Councilman Johnny Khamis on the 18th floor.

Mahan

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motels for homeless housing, converting shipping containers and building tiny homes."

Mahan serves as a board member of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, the Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA), and the District 10 Leadership Coalition. He co-chaired the 2018 Measure T campaign to secure funding for road repairs. Mahan's top endorsers include Mayor Sam Liccardo, former Mayor Chuck Reed, former mayor Tom McEnery and Silicon Valley Leadership Group CEO Carl Guardino. Khamis, who is running for State Senate, has not yet endorsed a District 10 candidate.

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Through this process, we have opened a dialogue with VTA to help find solutions to our transportation challenges. Building a healthy relationship with VTA and continuing to have strong representative voices in City Hall and on the VTA Board will be necessary to protect Almaden transit service in the

face of inevitable future challenges. We must continue to engage VTA so that they see us as real people who contribute our tax dollars to ensure a basic level of mobility for students, seniors, people with disabilities and our vulnerable residents. We pay an estimated

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Beethoven's Ninth

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Beethoven's Ninth on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 2 at 2:30 p.m. at the California Theatre.

Beethoven's Ninth is the unquestioned champion of the concert hall, a work that sums up the Classical age, looks forward to what would follow, and has come to represent courage, hope, and triumph around the world.

Every December, innumerable Ninths are performed throughout Maestro Shimono's homeland to mark the turn of the year. SSV last played it to packed houses for the Symphony's 10th anniversary, This June it will be introduced by one of Dvořák's most joyful short works, festive and deeply felt.

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Leland High School competing in National Academic Quiz Tournament Quiz Bowl

Some of the brightest minds from Leland High School will be competing in one of the most challenging academic activities in the country: the National Academic Quiz Tournament quiz bowl 2019 High School National Championship Tournament in Atlanta May 24-26.

Slate once referred to quiz bowl as the "Super Bowl of the mind." It is an exciting, fast-paced game that tests students' knowledge on subjects ranging from sports and pop culture to classic literature and biology. This year's championship is sponsored by LetterOne and will bring together some of the sharpest young minds in America.

Quiz bowl has served as the launch-pad for thousands of high-achievers across the globe who have often gone on to attend prestigious universities, where they (usually!) continue competing in quiz bowl, and later pursue impactful, innovative careers. Alumni of quiz bowl have gained national recognition and set records on TV shows like Jeopardy! (Ken Jennings, Larissa Kelly) and Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (Kevin Olmstead).

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Almaden/Blossom Valley Chapter of the National Charity League celebrates 6 years of philanthropy

By Lisa Schirle

Special to the Times The Almaden Blossom Valley Chapter of National Charity League (NCL) recently held their annual Mother/Daughter Tea at Villa Ragusa in Campbell and their Senior Recognition event at the Ranch Golf Club in San Jose.

The annual NCL Mother/Daughter Tea highlighted the 6-year NCL experience for the 15 graduating seniors and their mothers. Both daughters and mothers were recognized for their dedication and contributions towards their chapter. The ceremony included a senior class receiving line and memory boards of the graduating seniors. A special teacup or mug was then presented to these young women, along with a heartfelt speech by their mothers.

The 6-year commitment that is given by these young ladies and their mothers stress a different dedicated focus that begins in 7th grade and ends with their senior year of high school. Each year the focus changes so a better understanding of ways to make a difference are explored and the importance of giving back is emphasized. Different philanthropic experiences include working to clean up the environment, helping families and children in need, feeding the hungry and homeless, and working with the elderly.

Being a part of NCL gives mothers and daughters a unique opportunity to strengthen their bond while growing together and improving their communities. It's the only national organization committed to fostering the mother-daughter relationship through philanthropy, leadership development, and cultural experiences.

By volunteering at organizations such as Cityteam's House of Grace, Second Harvest Food Bank, Lincoln Glen Manor, Family Supportive Housing (Home First), Children's Discovery Museum, Sunday Friends, and Animal Assisted Happiness, daughter's and mothers of the class of 2019 have given a total of 4,870 hours in service to the local community during their six years with NCL. As a result, a better understanding of our local community through volunteering has helped these young women appreciate the importance of giving back to those in need.

A special tradition that graduating seniors are encouraged to participate in is Senior Recognition Night. On the evening of March 23, at the Ranch Golf Club in San Jose, fam-



Class of 2019 Senior Recognition Event: Front row - Louise de Oliveira, Emily Lien, Jordan Bennett, Catherine Simmons, Celine Wang, Kelsey Palmaffy. Back row - Rebecca Baggott, Lauryn Rosckes, Angela Schirle, Chiara Donnelly, Olivia Davis, Georgia Stebbins, Alyssa Huang, Samantha Pizzo. Not pictured: Anjali Wilkes. *Photo courtesy of Jim Nelson Photography.*

ily and friends joined together for a fun-filled evening to honor these talented and dedicated young women. The official program included a formal welcome of each motherdaughter duo followed by presentations of the daughters describing their experiences with the different charity organizations throughout the years. An impressive slideshow captured special memories of their journey and a father-daughter dance kicked off an evening of celebration and dancing. The theme of this year's event was "With Brave Wings She Flies," referring to the next step these young ladies will take as they venture on to college.

The senior class of 2019 has grown so much over these last six years. NCL has helped to encourage an environment of philanthropy, leadership, working together as a community, and fostering the forever bond of a mother and daughter.

Lion's Club's 'I Care Classic' raises over \$20,000 for the local community

By Greg Goodman Director at Large

Our 28th annual I Care Classic was an awesome success!

We raised over \$20,000 from this one event, and the money goes all back to your community.

In fact, this fiscal year our club has plowed back into your community over \$90,000!

I am sure that other service organizations like the Kiwanis, (which I believe our councilman Johhny is still part of), and the Rotary likewise contribute their monies and time as equally as the Almaden Lions.

So please consider volunteering your talents and time (we all need you) to one of our community service organizations.

Speaking of which, Michelle Dexter, aide to

Johnny Khamis has facilitated all of our community clubs coming together under an umbrella of sorts to help each other out. We recently met at the upstairs community room at the Almaden Community Center. If you are interested in one of the clubs, please let Michelle Dexter know. Her email contact is michele.dexter@sanjoseca.gov

I know right now she is looking for help on Dumpster Day which will be held on Jun 15, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is where councilman Khamis gets the city to bring in dumpsters for the day. I believe the area is in the Montevideo neighborhood.

Recently our club donated some monies to an elementary school in the area for Science Camp.

I am going to leave you with a few letters the students wrote to our club as a thank you. I am not ashamed to admit

it brought a few tears to my eyes. "Dear Lion Club Members,

Thank you for helping us all go to science camp. I can not thank you enough. Science camp was the best 3 days of my life. I had so much fun and I want to go back as a cabin leader when I grow up. So I am going to do my work and get my test scores up. Another thing I want to say is you guys are so nice for giving trained dogs to people with

diseases."

Here is another one...

"Dear Lions Club members,

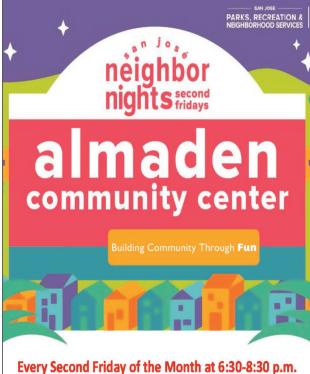
Thank-you for helping me and my friends with money so we can go to science camp. Some of us couldn't pay. You guys/girls got us scholarships so we can visit science camp. You guys made it possible for me and some of my friends. You guys/girls are really generous. I also know you don't only help schools, you also help dog guides to help people in need. You guys/girls helped when the fire came. One more thing I know is you helped in the wetlands and more...thank you Lion club members." And finally.

"Dear Lions Club,

Hello Lions, I wanted to thank you for all that you do to help us go to science camp. You guys do so much to help the community to help people with little vision and you guys gave them glasses. You even give to people with very little food. The lions club gave a lot of money for science camp. My friend got money for science camp and he had so much fun thanks to you. You helped me go to science camp too. You made my favorite part which was the epic journey; it was a 5 hour long hike. Thank you so much for what you do."

Good neighbors of Almaden this is why I serve.

Thank you so much for allowing me to share this with you. If you too would like to be part of our fun awesome wholesome community please stop by any Wednesday 7 a.m. at the Denny's on Hillsdale. Ask for Greg. Breakfast is on me, well the club.



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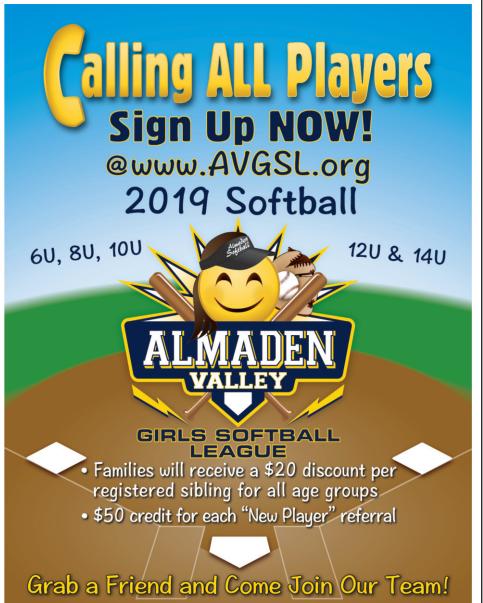
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Logo Winners (I to r): Rebecca lofis, Kyle Lai, Spencer Dyson, Heeju Nam, and Megan Pham.

Scholarships

things happen while showing creativity and professionalism.

Sergio Camacho, Senior, Pioneer High School

Sergio, an AP Scholar with honors who is active in Band, Robotics Club and Ping Pong Club, worked as a Server Management Intern at Intel and hopes to study Computer Science. A first-generation college student in his family, he naturally gravitates towards technical topics. His teachers describe him as having a love of all things engineering, hardworking, and exhibiting great dedication, courage and persistence in the face of every challenge. He helped create a Lego Robotics team for 4th graders at a local elementary school. During that experience, he realized howmuch he enjoyed working with kids and sharing his passion for science with them.

Bhargavi Garimella, Senior, Leland High School

Bhargavi, headed to Harvard to study Neuroscience, started elementary school feeling embarrassed of her name and her cultural background. In high school, she channeled that feeling into a social justice mission to help young people grow up with pride and self-worth. She worked with the Santa Clara County Office of education to reframe the way cultural identity is treated in education and she crafted workshops that provided a framework for teaching social justice in classrooms. Her mission is to empower students to embrace acceptance and to think and act with empathy so that no one has to grow up hating their name, their food or their skin color. Bhargavi participated in journalism, Speech and Debate, soccer, and Peer Tutoring in high school. She was Vice President of the Invisible Issues club and Secretary of the Gender Sexuality Alliance. While putting in more than 1000 hours of community service in high school, she was notably Director of Management at Re-defy, an international social justice nonprofit and Director of Outreach at the International Youth Neuroscience Association. She worked as an Intern at Stanford University in the Dept. of Structural Biology.

Capriana Jiang, Senior, Leland High School

Capriana, a future dermatologist, has grave

concerns about the decline in bee populations due to loss of habitat and increased use of pesticides. These concerns have motivated her to educate people about pollinators and take leadership opportunities while mentoring children in beekeeping. She created a bee education box for the Happy Hollow bee habitat area. Now that box, certified by the education board, is presented to zoo visitors to increase their understanding of the significance of bees in the environment. In addition to her 1100+ hours of community service, she has participated in 4H beekeeping, 4H agribusiness, 4H baking and the Valley Medical Center Explorers club. She has been a captain of the Lacrosse team and participated in field hockey.

Tushar Lakshminarayanan, Senior, University Preparatory Academy

Tushar, an Almaden resident who has hopes of becoming a software or video game developer, was a member of the Science Olympiad and President of the SNAP Club, raising money for differently-abled children. Part of Tushar's 600+ hours of community service were spent as a teaching mentor in an organization called Inclusive World where he helped differently-abled children and adults learn the art of programming. At Inclusive World, Tushar spent years teaching computer science, working with children one on one and talking to them on weekends. He even met them on Google Hangouts once a week to ensure they truly understood their programming work. Apart from Inclusive World, he also volunteers as a robotics teacher assistant in All Stars United for a middle school summer camp and participated in cross-country and band.

Megan Shieh, Senior, Leland High School

Megan, a future Clinical Pharmacist, started high school as a very shy person. Through her community service, Megan shed that shyness and began to recognize in other students a reticence that reminded her of her younger self. She focused on connecting with these students, working hard to interact and hoping to help them grow as she did. Megan participates in several clubs and she's volunteered for the Almaden Library Teens Reach program, Leland peer tutoring and the Saratoga Pediatric Sub-Acute Children's Hospital. At the hospital she read and played with hospitalized children and help manage *See SCHOLARSHIPS, next page* Continued

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Scholarships

other volunteers. She has held

internships at Almaden Family

Optometric Center, Live Services

Alternatives, and Santa Clara Uni-

versity where she researched E.

Coli and presented her findings.

Her teachers have praised her ded-

ication to biology, her proactive,

hardworking personality, and ded-

Times Feature

Office of Traffic Safety's 'Go Safely' contest ends May 17

The California Office of Traffic Safety is offering California high school students the opportunity to win up to \$4,000.

The agency's "Go Safely, California" PSA contest, calls for students to create a video advertisement or billboard aimed to encourage their peers to "Go Safely" by not driving distracted.

According to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of death for 16 to 19 year-olds. Distractions, including use of cell phones and interacting with passengers, account for six out of 10 crashes among teens.

The contest offers a total of 10 cash prizes totaling \$15,000. Prize money is provided by HUDDLE, a leader in high school sports ticketing and proud partner of the California Office of Traffic Safety. Each entry category will award \$4,000 to first place, \$2,000 to second place, \$1,000 to the top vote getter and two, \$250 honorable mentions.

Students can obtain more information and submit their entries by visiting www.GoSafelyCA.org and are encouraged to share a link to their entries on social media for voting purposes.

Entries must be submitted by May 17, 2019 at 11:59:59 PST. Winners will be announced on www.GoSafelyCA.org on May 31, 2019.

Pioneer High 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!

Pioneer High School is located at 1290 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, CA 95118.

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Logo contest

Each year the women's club hosts a logo contest. The winning logo is featured on the wine and beer glasses sold at the annual Art & Wine Festival held in September. This year's winning logo was created by Spencer Dyson, a senior at Leland High School. Spencer likes to draw and work with animals. Most of his inspiration for his art comes from animals. He would like to either be an illustrator, concept artist or go into the field of animation.

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The women's club received more than 130 submissions from art students in and around the Almaden Valley. The club received great entries from Branham High School, Bret Harte Middle School, Castillero Middle School, Holy Spirit, John Muir Middle School, Leland High School, Lord of the Light Art Studio, Oak Grove High School and Pioneer High school.

In addition to Spencer, the club recognized four runners up for the contest. They are Rebecca Iofis, 2nd place; Kyle Lai, 3rd place; Heeju Nam, 4th place; and Megan Pham, 5th place.

All of the scholarship money raised comes from proceeds from the annual Almaden Valley Art and Wine Festival. This year's Festival will take place on Sunday, September 15 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Almaden Lake Park. For more information, please visit the Almaden Valley Women's Club website at: www.almadenwomen.org.

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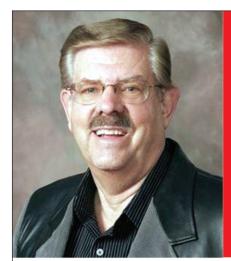
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Chelsea Clinton met with students at Los Alamitos Elementary in Almaden. She spent an hour with students to discuss her new children's book on the environment: "Don't Let Them Disappear: 12 Endangered Species Across the Globe." Chelsea Clinton answered several thought provoking guestions from students." Photo courtesy of SJUSD

Chelsea Clinton meets with Los Alamitos students on book tour

helsea Clinton met with first, second and third graders at Los Alamitos Elementary in Almaden to discuss her new children's book on the environment: "Don't Let Them Disappear: 12 Endangered Species Across the Globe."

Clinton is an American author and global health advocate and she is also the daughter of former U.S. President Bill Clinton and former U.S. Secretary of State and 2016 presidential candidate, Hillary Clinton.

The assembly brought more than 300 students and Clinton graciously signed more than 400 books for them thanks to Hicklebees bookstore in Willow Glen that helped arrange the school event.

Clinton was introduced by school Principal Tom Rousseau. She addressed the students and took their questions.

One of the students asked, "Why did you decide to write books for children?"

Clinton replied, "It had a lot to do with having my own children. I started writing

Leland to host middle school state speech tournament

Leland high school is hosting the first middle school state tournament sponsored by California High School Speech Association, May 17-19.

Middle school competitors sixth through eighth grade will have the exciting opportunity to meet and compete with other outstanding students from across the state at this premier event. More than 900 middle schoolers will be on campus from all around California.

There will be 250 Leland students work-

picture books when I became a parent. I thought about the books I wanted to share with my kids," said Clinton." When I couldn't find them, I decided to write them."

Another student asked, "How do we protect endangered animals in the book?'

"It depends on the animal. If you care about elephants, convince people to stop buying ivory, because it is still legal in California to buy ivory," said Clinton. "If you want to save polar bears, then we need to stop climate change."

Do you use a pencil, pen or computer to write?

"It's been a long time since I used a pencil," said Clinton. "I use a pen and paper to outline, but I write the story itself on the computer."

Clinton said, "There are more tigers in captivity in the U.S. than alive in the rest of the world, many of which are in private hunting ranges. Natural Habitats are increasingly under threat."

ing at the tournament helping to judge the event.

There will be entries from Bret Harte and Castillero Middle Schools. There will also be entries from private schools such as Challenger and Stratford that have students who live in the Almaden area.

The tournament will offer five preliminary rounds of debate and three preliminary rounds of speech. Speech events offered include Declamation/Oral Interpretation, Original Oratory/Advocacy, Informative/Expository, Programmed Oral Interpretation/Thematic Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Original Prose & Poetry, Extemporaneous, and Impromptu. Debate events are Congress, Policy, Public Forum, and Lincoln Douglas.

Laura's Law: a state law to get people the help they need

By Johnny Khamis Special to the Times n Monday, April 29, the City and the County held a joint meeting to discuss the issue of homelessness, and received input from staff and non-profits (http://bit.ly/2V8JMoV).

The exploding population of unhoused individuals in San José requires a more

focused approach when it comes to those that are severely mentally ill and those that suffer from strong addictions. I proposed, in a memorandum, that the Board of Supervisors (http://bit.ly/ 2JaVSw5) adopt Laura's Law - a state law that allows court ordered assisted outpatient treatment for those that are at a high risk of danger to themselves or others because of their mental illness.

For those with severe addictions, I suggested exploring a conservatorship program to get people the treat-

ment they need, and ensure they stay engaged with treatment. Finally, I recommended that the County utilize the recently-acquired St. Louise Regional Medical Center as an in-patient care facility for those on our streets who are severely mentally ill or battling addiction. My proposals would provide the care these individuals need -

ticipants and helps them find placement in a program that can offer long-term care. Since implementation in San Fran-

on the streets.

District 10 Report Johnny Kham

cisco three years ago, the total number of Psychiatric Emergency Services dropped by 47 percent; and individuals experiencing repeated incarceration dropped from 81 to 51. The City and County are undertaking a broad array of

services that they might not have the where-

withal to ask for or would never get living

Not only has Laura's Law been found to

help the mentally ill, it was recently found

to lower the cost of taxpayer-provided serv-

ices by 83 percent in San Francisco

(http://bit.ly/2VrMhrs). Laura's Law pro-

vides intensive case management to par-

activities built around housing. It is important for us to adopt additional tools that will make us even more successful including adopting Laura's Law, conservatorships, and

new in-patient facilities - much like for which St. Louise Regional Medical Center would be a great candidate.

I encourage each of you to contact our County Supervisors (http://bit.ly/2WzmZE2) to encourage them to implement these changes or with your questions and comments regarding this issue.



Capitol Subaru presents a check for more than \$67,000 for Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area. Pictured (I to r) are: Jeremy Beaver, DGDG President: Jon Godinez, Capitol Subaru/DGDG General Manager; Betsy Biern, Make a Wish CEO; Joe Flynn, Development Drector, Make a Wish

Del Grande Dealer Group Raises \$67,000 For Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area

el Grande Dealer Group, the Bay Area's largest family-owned automotive group, recently partnered with the Subaru Share the Love event to raise \$67,981 for Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area, a non-profit organization that fulfills the wishes of children with critical illnesses between the ages of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 18.

Held each year, Subaru donates \$250 for every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased to a host of charitable partners, per the selection of each customer. This year's four national charities included the ASPCA®, Make-A-Wish, Meals on Wheels America and National Park Foundation. In addition, DGDG's Capitol Subaru participated in the hometown charity matching donation program to support Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area.

"The Del Grande Dealer Group as a business and the Del Grande family truly believe that giving back and being a part of the community is extremely important," said DGDG CEO Shaun Del Grande. "Being able to support amazing organizations like Make-A-Wish right here in our community is what we are all about at DGDG, we all want to make this a better place.'

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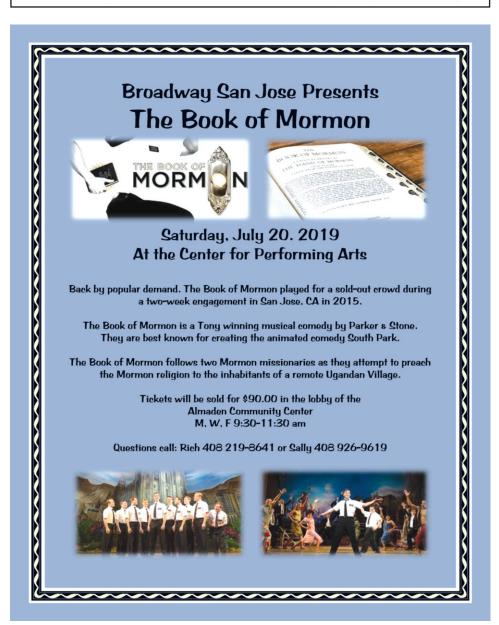
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Third grader gathers signatures, writes letter to get broken slide repaired at Greystone Park

By William Bellou

Publisher reystone Park is a popular Almaden park with sections of open grassy areas and two playgrounds.

Unfortunately, the Park's large slide was broken for several months, with caution tape keeping children from using it. The broken slide brought the attention of Greystone Elementary third grader Juliet Stoelker.

Juliet said she got tired of waiting for the slide to be repaired, which is her favorite at the park. Her mom, Kim Stoelker suggested she write a letter to San Jose District 10 councilman Johnny Khamis.

Before sending off her letter to the councilman, she gathered signatures on a petition from her neighborhood and school. Juliet knocked on the doors of a few of her neighbors and got signatures from them, and then she walked with her sisters to the Almaden Country Day School where the teachers and even the Head of School, Olaf Jorgenson, took time to read her letter and sign the petition.

The next day at Juliet's school, Graystone Elementary, she got students in multiple grades, several teachers, the custodian, and the principal, Amy Shumway, to sign her petition. She then put her letter and the petition in an envelope and mailed it to Khamis.

In her letter dated April 2 to Khamis, Juliet wrote

"I think it is important for all kids to play outside and we are lucky to live in an area with great parks. Do you know what? The best park See SLIDE, next page



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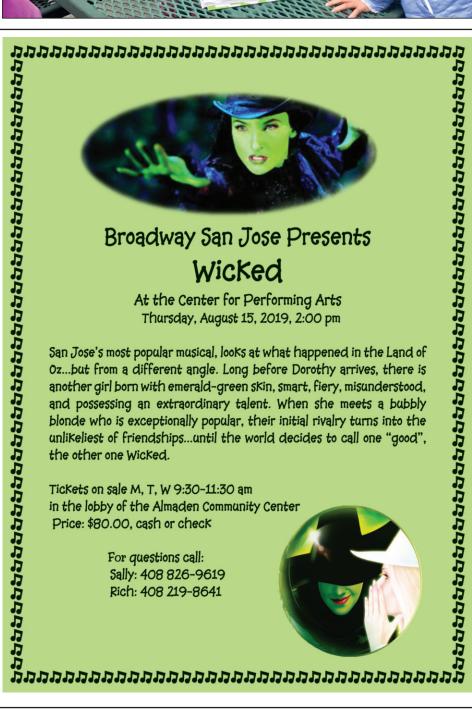
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Slide

Continued from previous page in our area is Greystone Park by the Little League fields. There are many reasons it is the best park. First, I like the zip line bar. I can zip from one platform to another. Second, I like all the big trees pine cones. They provide shade and make it look nice. Third, I love the big slide. I think it might be the biggest slide around. Unfortunately, it is sad for all the kids because that slide is closed and marked with caution tape. I went there with my sisters last weekend and I noticed it is still closed. Do you know when it will be fixed? Lots of kids are missing it. Can you help us get if fixed soon? I hope you can help. Thank you for reading my letter.

"A week or two later, the slide was fixed and then a few weeks after that Juliet got a thoughtful letter from Khamis," said Juliet's mom, Kim Stoelker. "We showed her that the slide was fixed and how amazing a difference one person can make. However, we also know that maybe the slide was in the works of being fixed already."

Khamis wrote a letter to Juliet with some good news. He wrote,

"Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter. It sounds like you really enjoy Greystone Park. It is sad that it has taken so long to repair the slide. There are many reasons for the long delay, and the Parks Department has done everything they can to fix the slide as quickly as possible. The good news is that as of Friday, April 19, the slide has been repaired and you and your friends can now have fun sliding again! I appreciate you asking about the problem and helping your



Juliet enjoys the repaired slide.

friends. Please feel free to write again if you have other concerns."

"It was the nicest letter I had received in a very long time," said Khamis. "I believe bringing the condition of the slide to my attention did help in moving the repair forward more quickly with the call I made to Parks and Rec. As it turned out, there was a structural problem with the slide and once that was addressed, it was decided to replace the entire slide. I really enjoy helping residents in the community resolve problems, it's my job. If I know a problem exists, I can help. I am so happy that Juliet took the time to get involved in making a positive difference in her community."

Juliet said she was thrilled getting the letter, especially the news that her favorite slide was repaired. She and her friends are once again sliding on their favorite slide at Greystone Park.



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· Bible study on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, at 6PM. · A Food Pantry serving anyone in need--open Tu/ Th/ Sa 10:00 AM to Noon. Lighted Window Productions featuring uplifting concerts, thought-provoking theater productions, informative lectures, and even an occasional karaoke night--all in a wholesome environment

· Our facilities also provide rental space for community based groups that promote

growth, and education. Some of these include the Old Orchard School. Orchard City Indivisible, AA, etc. Our activities flow from our core values: Extravagant Joy Passionate Faith Loving RespectDeep Connectedness Intentional Growth · Shared Laughter Visit us at our web site at church@campbellucc.org or better yet, visit us at our worship services on Sundays at 10:00 AM. Coffee refreshments, and conversation always, right after service CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF ALMADEN

VALLEY, UCC 6581 Camden Ave., San Jose, CA 95120. Pastor, Rev. Marty Williams, 408 268 0243. www.ccavucc.org We are a welcoming church with a progressive approach to faith, worship and giving to our local community. We are proud to be UCC, Open and Affirming (O&A) and welcome members of the LGBT community. We support local LifeMoves (formerly InnVision) Shelter Feedings once a month, San Francisco Night Ministry, Second Harvest Food

ice, and Communities Responding to End Poverty. Worship Sunday, 9:00 AM followed by fellowship and refreshments. 1st Sunday in Worship: Holy Communion 2nd Sunday in Worship: Folks Choir and Potluck Sunday. Tuesdays, AA Meetings, We strive to be a group of Christians that love and honor God and Jesus

8:15 - 9:15 PM. Wednesdays, 9:30 AM, Women's Study Group. CHURCH OF CHRIST 5351 Carter Ave., San Jose 95118 408.265.5837 www.bibleroad.org

ing is Open! Uplifting music, Biblical teaching, ministries for Children. Youth. College & Career. Small Groups for all adults, Ministries to Men. Women, Seniors, Celebrate Recovery Please see website for details and meeting times www.eastvallevchurch.com Senior Pastor – Pastor Christ in our daily lives. We Ron Johnson, Community-Life Pastor - Pastor assemble each Sunday to encourage each other Patrick Boyd, Children's through singing, studying, Ministry Co-Directors praying and sharing in the Alyssa Friend and Kristen Lord's supper. Simple-Pearson We are located at 2827 just like what one reads about in the New Testa-Flint Ave (Between Tully & Bible class at 9:30 AM

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Norwood) San Jose, CA 95148, Phone 408-238-0231, e-mail info@eastvalleychurch.com We are associated with Converge Worldwide www.convergeworldwide.org

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EAST VALLEY CHURCH

We are a Multicultural

Christian Community

Almaden Valley Athletic

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 Price: \$35.00 per person includes \$10.00 slot play & \$5.00 food.

> Sign up for this trip M. T, W 9:30-11:30 am in the lobby of the Almaden Community Center

> > For questions contact: Bea: 408 761-4002 or Sally: 408 826-9619



Christ known to our Rector Phone:408-268-Neighbors. Community 0243 Web:www.eca-si.org At the Episcopal Church in Almaden (ECA), we are joyful followers of Jesus Sunday Schedule: Coffee and Conversation 9:15am Worship 9:45am, Sunday Christ. Through worship, School for all ages study, fellowship and outreach, we strive to nurture Childcare is provided for and grow a strong faith all our Sunday Services. Our NEW Children's Buildcommunity of believers, a family of all ages, where each member feels welcomed, loved, valued and empowered to serve. Children are especially welcomed and cherished as an important part of God's family. All junior high and senior high students are welcome to participate in our Youth Groups. During the school year we have joint Sunday School with our sister church, the Congregational Church of Almaden Valley, UCC. The **Episcopal Church in** Almaden offers the following regular opportunities for worship: Sunday at 7:30AM and 10:45AM, Holy Communion service. Each Sunday service is followed by a coffee hour for friendship and conversa-

tion. FIRST CHURCH DOWNTOWN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH Street in downtown San

Jose, CA 95120. The Rev.

Telephone: (408) 294-7254 x310. We are a community serving the Christ from the heart of the City, working to know Jesus and make Jesus known by serving, worshipping, and learning together. Worship services are at 10:00 AM at the Horace Mann Community Center (7th and Santa Clara Streets). Worship includes both contemporary and traditional music, a message that is relevant to real life, based in the Bible, and meaningful to people of all ages and backgrounds. We work in our community to provide real assistance and long-term, life-saving solutions: food, housing, coun-

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seling, and spiritual direction. Our children's & families' ministries include Sunday classes, outdoor family activities such as bike rides and fishing trips. Come, Make a Difference and feel the difference God can make in your life!



GRACE CHURCH OF EVERGREEN www.GraceChurchSJ.net See you on Facebook 2650 ABORN ROAD at Kettmann, across from Evergreen Public Library Serving Evergreen for over 50 Years. John S Goldstein, Pastor

Christian Worship every Sunday at 11.00 am Together let us build lives toward excellence! Music Institute (408) 791-7772 After School lessons on Piano, Violin, Viola, Flute PreSchool, Age 2-6 years. Caring for your child with God's love and affection.

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Faith.Knowledge. Community - this is our promise to our members. If you are looking for an active Christian faith community, we invite you to experience Holy Spirit Parish Community. All are welcome! We are located at 1200 Redmond Avenue, San Jose, CA 95120. Mass is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. Monday - Fri-day. Our weekend Mass schedule is Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Rite of Reconciliation is every Saturday at 4 p.m. or by appointment. Our Parish Office is open Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Call 408-997-5100 for recorded information or 408-997-5101 to speak with someone in our parish office. Information on Faith Formation for children and adults can be obtained by calling our Catechetical Office at 408-997-5115. Get in the loop with our 3sixty High School Youth Ministry by calling 408-997-5106. Holy Spirit School serves grades Pre-K through 8th. and is located at 1198 Redmond Avenue. You can reach the school office at 408-268-0794

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THE POINT CHURCH

San Jose CA 95148

(408) 270-7646

English Service

Spanish Service:

Cambodian Service:

Cantonese Service:

Mandarin Service:

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12th grade): Every Saturday at 6:30

11:00 AM

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

We invite you to become

a part of our hospitable,

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We are a caring commu-

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3695 Rose Terrasse Cir

Sundays at 9:30 & 11:00

Scripture Study (day & evening); Senior's Group and many other adult ministries as well. Saint Anthony parish is located in Almaden Valley at

20101 McKean Road, San Jose 95120 Our weekend Masses are at 4 p.m. on Saturday at our historic church at 21800 Bertram Road in New Almaden, CA 95042 and on Sunday at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. at the McKean Road location. Our Parish Office is open Monday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Tuesday thru Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m. For more information, stop by the Parish Office or call 1+ (408) 997-4800 or visit our website at www.church stanthony.com. Fr. Larry Hendel, Pastor.

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SAN JOSE GURDWARA

3636 Gurdwara Ave. San Jose, CA 95148 The word Sikh (see-kh) means disciple" or "student." A Sikh is a practitioner of the faith founded in the 15th century by Guru Nanak in Puniab of old British India A Guru who is a "teacher" or "enlightener" completes the relationship of teaching and learning. Sikhism is monotheistic and stresses the equality of all men and women. Sikhs believe in three basic principles; meditating on the name of God (praying), earning a living by honest means and sharing the fruits of one's labor with others. Currently there are close to one million Sikhs living in the USA and Canada and 25 million Sikhs living around the world. Sikhism is the 5th largest religion in the world. At the Gurdwara (House of God) in San Jose we welcome all. We pray daily for peace and prosperity for everybody in the world Come to visit and eniov Langer (food) in our kitchen which is open 365 days of the year and serves complementary vegetarian meals We also encourage you to enter our history room on site and walk the beautiful grounds. Learn more about us and community events we sponsor by visiting our website: http://www. San-

JoseGurdwara.org

www.stfrancisofassisi.com or www.stfrancis ofassisipreschool.org We invite you to join our community of faith located in the Evergreen area of San Jose. We are an inclusive diverse community striving to serve as Disciples of Jesus Christ in the , footsteps of St. Francis, offering praverful and jovful liturgies; evangelization, fellowship, and service opportunities to the community. We offer spiritual opportunities for all ages. including children's liturgy, dynamic E.C.H.O - Jr. High IGNITE - High School and North Star -Young Adult Ministries, along with small faith communities and opportunities to help the poor and marginalized of San Jose, Our Preschool is the only Catholic Preschool offering quality family oriented service in the Evergreen and Silver Creek areas. Our Chapel. Gathering Hall, Parish Office, Mission Center, Parish Gift Shop, Memorial Garden and Preschool are all located at 5111 San Felipe Rd. Please come join us to worship at one of the following times and locations: St. Francis of Assisi Chapel Saturday 5:00PM, Sunday 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 12:30 PM, 4:00 PM (Mass in Vietnamese), 6:00 PM Youth Mass St. Francis of Assisi Gathering Hall Sunday 9:00 AM, Sunday11:00AM, Igbo Mass Second Sunday of the month 12:30 PM Mt. Hamilton Grange 2840 Aborn Road Sundav 9:30 AM The Villages Gated Community (Cribari Auditorium) Sunday 8:15 AM For more information, please call or visit us at the Parish Mission Center open M-F 9:00 AM -12:00 PM; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Come ioin us and share vour presence with us so that together we may grow and share our gifts to help build God's Kingdom!

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