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11th Annual Senior Health Fair: June 28

Seniors are invited to Join Senator Jim Beall and Councilmembers Sylvia Arenas, Magdalena Carrasco, and Maya Esparza at the 11th Annual Senior and Older Adults Health Fair & Walk from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Eastridge Center on Friday, June 28.

This free event is for older adults who want to improve their health, learn more about community resources, and have fun! The event will have hundreds of people from across San Jose, especially residents of East San Jose and Evergreen.

"This is an annual tradition that has been providing resources to older adults for over a decade", says San Jose City Councilmember Sylvia Arenas. "We invite people from all over San Jose to join us for an event that provides important information and is so much fun for our senior community."

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VTA light rail extension to Eastridge moves forward

By Kyle Martin
Special to the Times

The Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors on Thursday, June 6 voted unanimously to approve new plans for a light rail extension to San Jose's Eastridge Transit Center — giving what should be the go-ahead on an almost 20-year-old project.

The vote came decades after East San Jose residents waited for the wheels of government to crank the fully-funded project into action, after county voters first approved the extension project in 2000 with Measure A. The VTA board discussed new findings in a second study that details impact from noise, vibration and traffic impacts, including the loss of car-pool lanes. The unavoidable impacts will affect East San Jose residents along Capitol Expressway between VTA's Alum Rock and Eastridge transit centers, where the 2.4 mile extension will be placed.

VTA officials Ken Ronsse and Christina Jaworski explained the changes to the previous project plan.

"Tonight's action improves the project," Ronsse told San José Spotlight. "With the approved project, we'll be able to move full steam ahead."



During a June 6 VTA Board of Directors meeting, the board voted unanimously to green-light a light rail extension into East San Jose's Eastridge Transit Center from Alum Rock. *Photo by Kyle Martin*

During Thursday's board meeting, Supervisor Dave Cortese, who has supported the project for years, called the new plan a "breakthrough" for public transit in the region.

"There's literally hundreds of reasons, practical reasons, to keep moving down this path," Cortese told the board.

Construction for the \$453 million project is planned to start in late 2020, according to VTA officials. In the meantime, contracts and permits must be approved, utilities must be re-

located and land must be acquired, among other things.

A few board members expressed reservations in the plan — such as Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, who said that more traffic congestion is not something she's looking forward to as public transit changes in her district. Still, Carrasco has been a staunch supporter of extending light rail to East San Jose, which has been largely left behind in the city's

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San Jose lawmakers narrowly approve budget amid inequity concerns

By Grace Hase
Special to the Times

In a split vote, the San Jose City Council on Tuesday, June 11 approved Mayor Sam Liccardo's budget message. Photo by Grace Hase.

San Jose City Councilmembers on Tuesday, June 11 narrowly voted to approve Mayor Sam Liccardo's June budget message, despite criticism that it didn't go far enough to address racial and economic inequities in the city.

The split vote marked the first time in recent history that nearly

half the City Council voted against a mayor's fiscal budget, which is historically unanimously approved. It also underscored an increasing rift on San Jose's council, splitting councilors along racial, political and socio-economic lines.

Five councilors voted against Liccardo's budget proposal, including his idea to implement an "equity screen" — a tool the mayor said could ensure funds are allocated to areas with the greatest needs. But the five lawmakers said it's insufficient in addressing the needs of Silicon Valley's impover-



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ished districts.

The dissenting voters, Councilmembers Raul Peralez, Maya Esparza, Sergio Jimenez, Magdalena Carrasco and Sylvia Arenas, in April proposed the creation of a \$500,000 equity fund to meet the needs of the city's poorest and resource-scarce neighborhoods. They

also held a news conference Monday pushing for more equity in the city budget.

When Liccardo released his June budget message earlier this month, he allocated \$4 million to programs he felt fit the equity screen, relying mainly on data

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transit improvement plans and cut off from other parts of the Bay Area because of a lack of services.

"This doesn't look good to me as a consumer, as someone who commutes every day and who is always late," Carrasco said of VTA's new impact report, but added that "it's a small inconvenience in comparison to those who are transit dependent."

But the new light rail extension will open access to public transit to and from East San Jose for thousands across the Bay Area, said San Jose Councilmember Raul Peralez. Elected leaders earlier this year worried about another delay in the long-awaited project — despite the fact that East San Jose residents have taxed themselves for years to pay for it.

"Right now, it is still too fast to ride in your cars around the Bay... people still do that instead of taking public transportation," Peralez said. But if the lane closures get people out of their cars and into trains and buses, the downtown councilman sees that as a benefit. "The reality is that I think the benefits go much beyond what we see today."

Sunil Sharma, an East San Jose resident who spoke to the board Thursday, said the extension could help boost revenue at the

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Complete Design	Spring 2020
Obtain All Necessary Property Rights	Early 2021
Begin Utility Relocation	Spring 2020
Begin Construction	Late 2020
Begin Revenue Service	Early 2025

Eastridge Mall, where he said he's concerned businesses are slowing and shutting down — especially following the Barnes and Noble closure at the mall in January 2018.

"I'm concerned other stores might close," Sharma, 61, told San José Spotlight. But with a new light rail extension, he said the area could see an uptick in business, and he might gain some new neighbors, too. "I'd like to see more high income residents, like technology workers, move in."

San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo weighed in during Thursday's meeting to show his support for the new extension.

"There are a lot of members on this board that are not from San Jose that are still supporting this project because they think it's the right thing to do," Liccardo said. "And it is the right thing to do."

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Health Fair

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A number of community resources will be provided, including blood pressure checks and fun activities such as Zumba. Seniors are encouraged to improve their health and join in on the fun!"

This event will include:

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Ohio: Molly Cuevas completes day 81 of her 3,000 mile run across America

By William Bellou
Publisher

Molly Cuevas, who grew up in Evergreen Valley, has completed the 74th day of her 3,000 mile, three-month cross-country trek from California to New York and is now in Pennsylvania.

Molly, who is expected to cross into New Jersey in the next few days, started her run in Santa Monica, California on April 1 and will finish in Montauk, New York on June 29. It's taking her three months, through 12 states. When it is over she will have trekked 3,137 miles.

Molly is running across the United States to raise funds and awareness for the Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF), a non-profit based in California that provides opportunities and support for athletes who face physical challenges.

Molly has run across 10 states so far: California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio.

"The Midwest has been up and down weather-wise," Cuevas said. "There's been a crazy amount of rain and so much flooding. Been through a lot and I just have a little bit more to go," Cuevas said. "So close, yet so far."

The Mississippi River was near its crest due to heavy rains in Illinois. The bridge over the Mississippi was at risk of being shut down as the flood waters continued to



Molly and Mayor her dog who is accompanying her on her MilesByMolly journey.

Photo by Whitney Kanavel

rise. "A police officer that had been seeing us for the past couple of days was waiting at the bridge for us, Milly said. "The officer closed the bridge on the Missouri side and allowed us to cross into Illinois." Luckily for Molly she crossed the bridge when she did,

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Land use discussion enlightens many

By Kevin Larsen
Times Staff Writer

The District 8 Community Round Table (D8CRT) hosted a Land Use Panel Discussion covering Evergreen Valley/ San Jose planning and land use at their June 6 meeting.

At the end of the presentations during the question and answer session Trustee Maria Fuentes of the SJECCD (San Jose Evergreen City College District) spoke regarding the development of the 27 acres of land at Evergreen Valley College.

Robert Reese, Chair, Land Use Committee, D8CRT introduced the panel to the audience.

The panel of the meeting included the following speakers.

- Michael Brilliot, Deputy Director, City of San Jose, Citywide Planning & Urban Design. Brilliot is overseeing the 2040 General Plan.
- Jim Zito, Past Chair of the San Jose Planning Commission and Past President and current Board of Trustee for the Evergreen School District.

- Alice Kaufman, Legislative Advocacy Director, Committee for Green Foothills. The Committee supports sustainable smart transit oriented residential mixed use development.

- Shawn Milligan, KT Urban, Partner & President of Milligan Land Company, who has experience in residential development, including downtown high-rise, Urban Village and R-1 detached residential units.

- Jerad Ferguson, Senior Policy Advisor - Land Use & Economic Development, Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo.

SPEAKERS' COMMENTS Michael Brilliot

Brilliot explained that the General Plan is a blue print on how the City's growth is envisioned through 2040. The plan calls for the accommodation of 400,000 more people and approximately 350,000 more jobs. To accommodate future growth, 68 urban growth boundaries have been identified. "An example of an urban growth area is the Evergreen Village Square," said Brilliot. "This urban growth



The land use panel discussion included (left to right): **Jim Zito**, Past Chair San Jose Planning Commission and Past President; **Michael Brilliot**, Deputy Director, City of San Jose, Citywide Planning & Urban Design; **Alice Kaufman**, Legislative Advocacy Director, Committee for Green Foothills; **Jerad Ferguson**, Senior Policy Advisor - Land Use & Economic Development, Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; and **Shawn Milligan**, KT Urban, Partner & President of Milligan Land Company.

boundary village offers services, such as a library, offices, retail, and homes."

Brilliot stated during question and answer session that Evergreen is not considered an area appropriate for significant development, particularly housing development. He stated, "We could build a lot more housing, the right places to do it is in urban locations closer to transit and places near employment."

Jim Zito

Zito addressed the audience and gave some historical facts about development in Evergreen Valley. "When David Cortese first took office as a councilmember he put together a group that did a study on the east hills visioning project," said Zito. "That is primarily what we are working with now as developers came

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By Kirpal Atwal
Special to the Times

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and refreshments under the moonlight sky at the Gurdwara on the Hill for everyone to walk and joyfully look down at the valley (a time for all to take a break from using a cell phone and enjoy nature and the sky).

These important historical days that mark
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Times **Community News**

Elvie Teodoro of Evergreen awarded by Silicon Valley Business Journal

South County Homes, Evergreen School of Music & the Arts (ESOMA), and NorCal Academy of Performing Arts (NAPA) announced that its founder and director, **Elvie Teodoro** (inset), is a recipient of Silicon Valley Business Journal's Women of Influence 2019 awards.



Ms. Teodoro immigrated to the US from the Philippines more than 35 years ago and has been a long-time resident of Evergreen. In 2006, Ms. Teodoro founded and began operating South County Homes, where they provide board, lodging and care to children and young adults with developmental disabilities.

Both music school ESOMA and non-profit NAPA are visions of Ms. Teodoro that have been great additions to the Evergreen community. ESOMA reaches out bringing students of music and performance together, honing their talents to shape their future of musicians and individuals.

"Running multiple businesses obviously is not without challenges but it has its special rewards. Each entity requires special attention in order to flourish. As long as you love what you are doing, and focus on embodying each entity's vision and values,

everyone benefits around you," said Teodoro.

Zumini arrested on suspicion of hit and run

The Santa Clara County Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office identified the driver of a minivan who was struck and killed by a speeding driver evading authorities at speeds reaching 120 mph.

Juan Jose Salido, 43, was going through a green light on Yerba Buena Road early Monday, June 10 when he was hit by a driver evading the California Highway Patrol at 3:21 a.m.

A man sitting in Salido's front passenger seat suffered injuries as a result of the collision. The patient was transported to the hospital by responding medics. He was listed in critical condition.

Zumini tried to flee the scene after the collision but was captured. Detectives identified the other motorist involved as 28-year-old Alexander Zumini of San Jose. He was arrested on suspicion of felony driving under the influence, felony evading police causing injury, felony hit and run, gross vehicular manslaughter, possession for sale of methamphetamine and a parole violation.

Police also arrested Melissa Dawn Vincent, a passenger in the BMW, on suspicion of being in possession of stolen property and identity theft-related charges.

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Times **Community News**

Evergreen Islamic Center hosts Ramadhan Grand Iftar

By Hassan Asad
Special to the Times

On May 18th, 2019, the Muslim community of the Evergreen Islamic Center (EIC) hosted and celebrated a "Grand Iftar" on the 14th day of the holy month known as Ramadan to all Muslims.

An Iftar is the act of breaking a fast, primarily done by eating a date, flavored milk or water, fresh fruit, along with salty, yet savory appetizers. What made this Iftar unique and more memorable than usual was due to the fact that people from other various religions, faiths, and cultures had been invited to participate and show solidarity collectively as a community.

More than four hundred members representing the community had attended and participated in the activities which took place on the special night. The event was also attended by various honorable members of the community such as state assembly member Ash Kalra, San Jose City officials, SJPD officers, Community College President, as well as interfaith leaders representing Christian, Jewish, and several other faiths. The breaking of the fast took place at about 8:12 pm, as outlined in the Islamic faith. Once the fast had been broken, the sunset prayer was performed. Further,

along the event, Mr. Akbar Syed, President of EIC took part in welcoming and conveying the aforementioned distinguished guests with gratitude on behalf of the community.

Each of the guests voiced their individual opinions regarding the friendship, sense of togetherness, and promotion of peace, harmony, and inclusiveness that is shared within the community to establish unity. Through their own opinions, the honorable guests additionally touched on the subject of hate and bigotry within the community, and equally condemned it's often felt presence, as well as the negativity it brings with itself, dividing humans by race, gender, ethnicity, and religious background.

Succeeding the evening talks by the guests and the sunset prayer, guests indulged in the grand dinner that followed. The tantalizing menu consisted of traditionally prepared biryani, chicken curry, shish kebab, and freshly made naan bread. Following the dinner, the mouthwatering dessert featured kheer, a traditional rice pudding which originates from South Asian culture as well as masala tea, or chai. Towards the end of the night, members and guests socialized with one another, introducing each other to individuals and



spreading a sense of equality among all.

The night had been lit up by the recognition of every faith and believing that it has its own unique place, encouraging guests to enjoy the facilities and events which had been meticulously prepared for the religiously significant evening. Surely the grand Iftar became a memorable event for members within the local community to remember.

The community at EIC pledged its regards to the larger surrounding community, its elected officials, the law enforcement serving the city, and the interfaith leaders who attended and participated during the event for their continued support and ever-

lasting friendship. Evergreen Islamic Center is eager to host next year's annual grand iftar and has thoroughly enjoyed this year's remarkable iftar with the support of the nearby community.

In every epoch of humankind, faith represents the sum of what is contributed by all previous generations, to which the present generation adds its own. The motif of the Grand Iftar symbolizes the perpetual "sharing and caring" virtues, which has no beginning and has no end.

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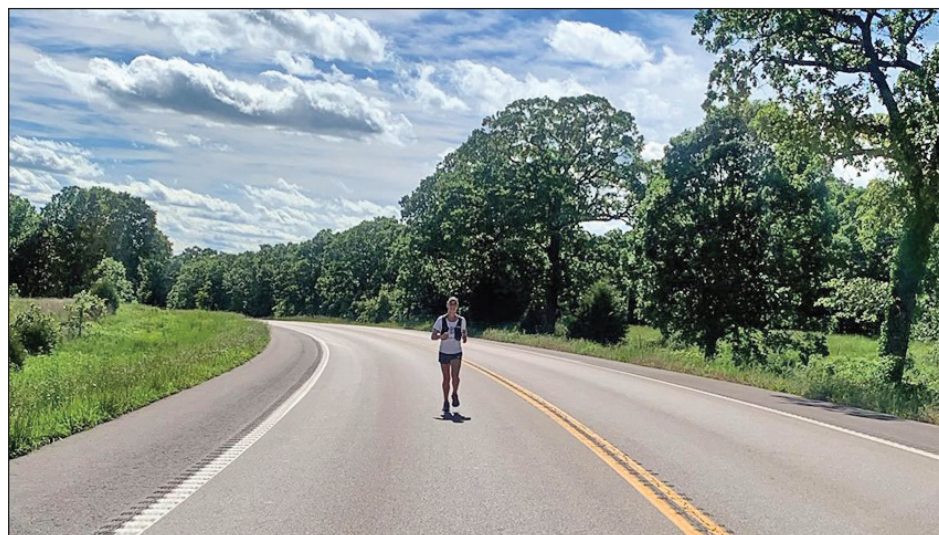
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Molly running to raise funds for Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF). Photos by Whitney Kanavel

Molly

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because the water level caused the bridge to shut down.

Visits NCAA headquarters

Molly visited National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Headquarters in Indianapolis where she met with CAF Athlete Landis Sims and his mother Amanda. "Landis is an incredible athlete. He's 13-years-old and was born without hands and legs. He plays basketball and baseball and excels at those two sports," Cuevas said. Cuevas and Sims toured the NCAA Headquarters and had some fun with various games on site, boosted Cuevas' spirits with less than a month to go on her fantastic journey across the United States.

Landis, who received \$7500 in grants from CAF said he is so happy for Molly and what she is doing to raise awareness for the organization which helps others like himself with handicaps.

So far Cuevas has raised more than \$25,000. "We have another month to try and get that up to our goal of raising \$50,000, so please consider donating. "Thank you to everyone that has been following along my journey, Cuevas said. "I'm in the home stretch right now and your support has really helped me get to this point.

Challenged Athletes Foundation

Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF) provides opportunities and support to people with physical challenges, so they can pursue an active lifestyle through physical activity and competitive athletics. In 2017, CAF distributed 2,448 grants across 43 countries. The youngest grantee was five years old, and the oldest was 83.

About Molly Cuevas

Molly attended Silver Oak Elementary School and Chaboya Middle School in Evergreen. She 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.

Donations

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

Sponsors of "Miles by Molly" include: Marquez Brothers Foundation, CLIFF Bar, BR printers, Balega, RockTape, and Ul-raspire. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of Molly's run across America, email: molly@milesbymolly.com



Molly Cuevas and Landis Sims at NCAA Headquarters. Photos by Whitney Kanavel

Times **Local News**



Ramiro Monroy

Iguana's forging forward in the Evergreen Valley community

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

Iguana's Burritozilla, a successful, family owned business in Evergreen, began having breakfast on June 10, 2019. This was a fitting date because that is when they celebrated their 10th anniversary at 4848 San Felipe Rd. right here in Evergreen.

Iguana's has been in business approximately 25 years. They began business in downtown San Jose with Liz Orozco, the family matriarch in charge. Iguana's is a family owned and operated restaurant. There is Sammy, the older brother, Jimmy, owner and CEO, Melissa, and Felice, the youngest member of the family.

Romualdo Monroy, (known as Ramiro) head cook at the San Felipe location stated, "I have been working for Iguana's on and off for 20 years. I have worked continuously for 10 years since we opened this location. I have never been reprimanded or yelled at by any of the Orozco family. They have treated me with respect and I appreciate that. I would like to say that I cook at Iguana's the way I would cook for my own family, as well as, myself! The Orozco family are really good people!"

There are five Iguana's locations: Downtown, Evergreen, Santa Clara, Saratoga Ave. and Blossom Hill Rd. There are also two booths inside HP Pavilion, and in July, 2019, they will be opening in Levi's Stadium.

Ramiro went on to say, "They want to offer breakfast because they think there are a lot of

people that would like to have the option of a good, fast, and tasty breakfast burrito! This will allow them to start their day much happier with a fulfilling meal." Knowing the great cook, Ramiro, this will happen! Breakfast will now be served at all Iguana's locations.

The Emmitt Dollarhyde Presidential Award presented to Denise Williams

Evergreen School District is beaming with pride as the San Jose NAACP presented the Emmitt Dollarhyde Presidential Award to **Denise Williams** (inset), Director of Instruction, at the 67th Friendship and Freedom Gala held recently.

The Emmitt Dollarhyde Presidential Award is given to an individual who is committed to enhancing the educational wellness of the school community. This awardee is also a person who advocates for students to have an inclusive, well designed equitable environment.



Williams is currently the Director of Instruction for the Evergreen School District. Denise is originally from Trenton, New Jersey where she began her career. She has been in the district for more than 30 years as a teacher, computer instructor, literacy coach, principal and director.

As a director, Williams facilitates the implementation of policies and procedures for state and federal programs. She oversees Title 1, Title III Programs, English learners instruction and assessments, Professional Development for teachers and administrators as well as the coordination of the district Parent Involvement Program.

Denise is very intentional and passionate around her equity work ensuring that all students and parents receive what they need to be successful in the 21st Century. Her work in the community have enabled parents to be empowered and successful with their children. Her work has facilitated her district to receive the State Golden Bell Award and the County's Kristy Porter Award for Parent Engagement. Additionally, she has been instrumental in leading the district's work in the nationwide initiative of "My Name, My Identity."

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Parade in the morning (9 a.m. held at downtown San Jose)

Everyone loves attending the fantastic Rose, White and Blue Parade which we as Sikhs are so proud to participate in!

Audiences start lining up along the route at about 9 a.m. on Thursday with the 4th of July Parade starting about 10 a.m.

History of the Rose, White and Blue Parade

This wonderful parade was inspired by historic parades on The Alameda, such as the "Rose Carnival" which began over a hundred years ago and the "Fiesta de Las Rosas" which took place in the 20's and 30's. Parades like this build on the historic roots of the area and make you and your family feel the fun and excitement of an old fashioned 4th of July parade. All cultural groups in San Jose exhibit their skills by performing in the Parade!

The Parade's staging area is Lincoln High School located at 555 Dana Avenue and it winds 1.6 miles through the charming and historic streets of the Rose Garden and Shasta/Hanchett Neighborhoods, ending up at the festival area located on The Alameda near Shasta Avenue. Schools, marching bands, dance groups, antique auto clubs, high wheel bicyclists, fire trucks, service organizations, equestrians, color guards, pets and their owners, children and many more all participate. The parade is paced with bagpipes that both lead and announce (loudly) the parade. Bay Area Sikhs will be distributing over 10,000 complimentary water bottles to all at the event. You can websearch Rose, White and Blue Parade for additional information.



"Under the Moonlight Ice Cream Social" 7p.m.-9p.m. held at the Gurdwara on the Hill

We will not be using any fireworks but if you bring your binoculars and keen eyesight you can see the far in the distance displays which light up the sky!

There will be lots and lots of delicious ice cream with toppings that everyone of all ages will be sure to enjoy, also fresh fruit for your family and friends. Nestled up on the hill, just drive all the way up Quimby Road and you are there. You can also park and walk up the hill. The entire community loves to get together and it all begins at 7p.m. – 9p.m in front of the Gurdwara. You can take in the wonderful scenic view of the entire Evergreen Valley. We also have a new children's playground too.

We embrace the values of our American heritage strongly! Values of justice, liberty, equality and the caring about others are enshrined in the Constitution and also form the cornerstone of our Sikh beliefs. We are the Sikh Americans and very proud to be a part of the United States of America and of course the wonderful Evergreen Valley Community!

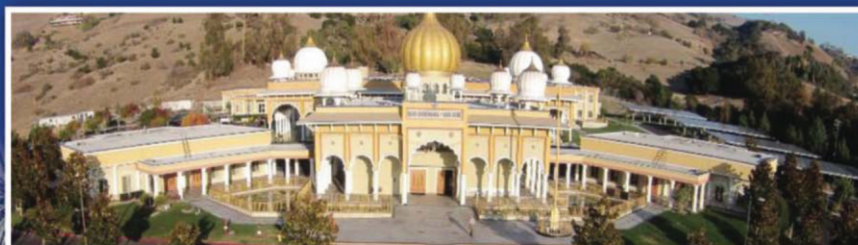


You are also welcome to have a tour of the Gurdwara: Tours begin at 5p.m.-8p.m.

The San Jose Gurdwara open for you to visit 365 days of the year. It is located all the way up Quimby Road on the hillside.

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Times Community

Summertime fun, Summertime service

By Gayle Kludt
San Jose Host East Valley
Lions Club Co-President

Teachers love summer like parents love fall. While another school year is "in the books" and the class of 2019 has graduated, summertime is still a very busy time for the San Jose Host East Valley Lions.

After election of officers last month, June is installation month with all the pomp and ceremony that entails. Lions typically have their own installation (ours will be June 30th at the Villages Golf and Country Club), and participate in the installation of the other local clubs they partner with for events and service projects.

Clubs are also invited to their district's installation. A very special installation will take place this month with the formation of a new club, the Silicon Valley Scholars Cyber Club. The Lions are very flexible in their club formats having the regular clubs people are familiar with, plus branch clubs (who work with the regular clubs), service clubs (who only work on service projects) and the cyber clubs, who meet online and still focus on activities and events.

Other clubs are organized by location, like the Japantown Lions Club, or culture, like our Nepalese club, the Sunnyvale Everest Lions, or even activities like ones that focus on quilts or crocheting, making items for hospi-

tals, the homeless and others who can use their services. We welcome community members who want to attend our service events, perfect for students who need community service hours, or our FUNdraising events like our annual Day at the Races, or our upcoming Bocce party.

Our last Day at the Races included a person who had read about it here in the *Evergreen Times* and was reunited with a long time teaching colleague, fun and friendship, a perfect combination.

And speaking of activities, mark your calendars for our upcoming Day at the San Jose Giants event on August 18th. This event is held at Municipal Stadium now called Excite! Stadium and includes premium seating, an all-you-can-eat fabulous buffet featuring tri-tip, chicken sandwiches, beans and salad, and more and a wonderful array of San Francisco Giants

gifts as door prizes, all included in the price of \$49.00 for adults and \$39.00 for children.

Contact me at kludtgayle70@gmail.com for more information. July will be a little "stayca" for my "vacay" so I look forward to sharing information about our club with you again in August. Have a wonderful summer season.

The San Jose Host East Valley Lions Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:30 pm at the Red Lobster restaurant, Capitol at Aborn. You are most welcome to attend. Please confirm attendance by contacting me at kludtgayle70@gmail.com. Additional information is available at our website, e-clubhouse.org/sites/sanjosehost.



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By Gayle Kludt
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Times Feature

Land Use

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to the city and said we want to develop the areas that are still available in Evergreen. Dave said we should have a master plan so he put together a committee. The community members considered four sites: The Evergreen Valley College site, the Pleasant Hill golf course, the Arcadia site, which is being developed right now, and the Berg property to one that was subject of the ballot measure last year. The four sites called for more than 7,000 units which have now been reduced to a little more than 5,000 units. The question that arises with these developments is how much traffic and how much impact can all this development have on the community. We have some very limited arterials to get to and from the freeway. There have been some substantial upgrades with the two interstate freeway exchanges, and also significant contributions to the Evergreen Elementary School District and the high schools. In 2008 you might have a vision in your head of what happened at that time and everything was basically tabled. The college original proposal was to build 600 low income housing primarily for teachers, fire personnel and police officers. What has never been cleared up is the environment impact and whether or not the homes should be built.

Alice Kaufman

"Preserving open space gives us a lot of benefits," said Kaufman. "Open space provides protection from flooding, filters pollutants in both air and ground water, provides locally sourced food, and offers beautiful outdoor recreation for health and many other positive things. Some city planning regarding building such as Daly City chose to build out and not have too much open space except for designated parks." It was explained by Kaufman that "residential sprawl" sometimes causes development on hillsides which create patterns of building that are bad for the environment and our own quality of life. It was stated that when a choice is made to build in infill areas it preserves open space. "It equates to people not traveling so far from work to home," Kaufman said. "Developing new forms of transit gets more cars off the road. Environmental groups are now working to purchase land for conservation in order to permanently protect the land."

Kaufman said large companies that are developing and growing are now building in the center of San Jose and this creates a new

view of expansion. Areas like Coyote Valley are strategized to be protected as open space lands. The City of San Jose is a partner in this effort with the passage of Measure T on the ballot in November providing more than 50 million dollars for flooded groundwater protection. In a year and a half San Jose will be initiating the review of the four year general plan and it is hoped that planning will take place for a general vision of how Coyote Valley will be cared for by the City. Kaufman closed with the statement, "If we protect nature it will protect us."

Shawn Milligan

KT Urban has been developing since 1988 and have focused their development efforts in downtown San Jose. They have developed about 3,000 residential units and large downtown construction of condos. KT Urban has also reached out to help write the code of living ordinance for San Jose. It is a new model of housing space for those who wish to live in units which cost less. Milligan stated, "For those who can't afford a studio apartment, these folks have all kinds of common amenities and then the bedrooms are much smaller so they are able to offer the units for about 20 percent to 30 percent less than a studio apartment; so we think it will be hugely successful especially for young people who want to stay here in Silicon Valley." It was explained that developments are limited to residential and downtown urban villages. Milligan expressed that it is really expensive to build high rises so he asked for help from the general public in support for building Infield Developments. "The City needs to look at how developers are charged for building smaller residential buildings to encourage more development and not penalize development of such innovative projects," said Milligan. "Downtown San Jose has seen some amazing traction, we are all holding our breath to see when some of these projects are going to come out of the ground. I think there is 20 million square feet of new office development in the downtown area and Google has eight million of that. That translates to the need of about 80,000 new housing units in downtown San Jose."

Jerad Ferguson

Ferguson and a staff of three others advise Mayor Liccardo on business retention and economic development with working with land use. Ferguson stated that "housing affordability is a big focus." He stated citing a state report that it is estimated that 1.8M homes are needed to be built in California in the next five years.

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Times Feature

Citing California State estimated data it was stated that currently on average the state of California is producing about 80,000 homes a year. There is a tremendous need for providing places for people to live due to an estimated need of 1.4M homes or living units to be developed in California over the next five years, said Ferguson. The State of California lawmakers are currently presenting bills which will address meeting the needs of increased housing development statewide.

Ferguson stated, "Our goals on housing through our general plan are to focus development of building units in urban villages." The City will be reconvening a 43 member group to act as a task force in the second four year review which will take a look at how well the urban centers are performing, how housing is being produced and all other aspects of land development. This will all be presented to the San Jose City Council for review. Ferguson stated that the mayor is interested in seeing more accessory units (in-law or granny units) being built for the City has passed new laws to allow more flexibility in the building of small units. Such units are often built in the backyards or near current home sites. Year-to-date 104 permits have been filed to build accessory units which is a steep increase compared to previous years due to the new flexibility of filing for such permits.

During the Q & A session Trustee Maria Fuentes of the San Jose Evergreen Valley College District spoke regarding the development of the 27 acres of land at Evergreen Valley College.

Fuentes stated, "The question was asked about what's happening with the developer, Republic. Right now the district (Evergreen Valley College) is in the process of renegotiating the contract. The contract was only for one year and they've actually received two extensions one for one month and another for two or three months so we are in the process of being negotiated."

Fuentes invited those in the meeting to attend the San Jose Evergreen Valley College District board meeting in order to provide public input and feedback before the closed session agenda. "I wanted to mention it is really important. I know the community has a lot of concerns about what's going on and I think now that it's being negotiated I think now is the time to go."

Fuentes mentioned that Evergreen College had the highest graduation in its 35-year history. "More people are going to Evergreen and more are needing Evergreen (College) and also City (San

Jose City College) for our community and when we think of right now what Republic (developer) is proposing using only the 13 acres, that leaves about 14 acres that we could be using for education."

Fuentes requests community input on how to use 14 of the 27 acres at Evergreen College

"I feel there is a lot of energy including our City Council member Sylva Arenas to meet the educa-

tional needs of our community and I hope that people will speak up and give input because right now the need is there, the land is there, and if we were to use that to expand Evergreen College then all of you would need to be a part of the process," Fuentes said. "I hope we can have a better future meeting either the Chancellor or the President of Evergreen College to talk about this. If we are going to

use that land for education we have to start planning and start doing it now; our community needs that land for educational purposes."

District 8 Community Round Table meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. There are no meetings in July and August. Meetings are held at the Village Square Library, located at 4001 Evergreen Village Square,

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Editor's note: To contact, see dates of board meetings, agendas, and or to email the San Jose Evergreen Community College District Trustees visit: sjcccd.edu (There was no action taken during last week's District's board meeting regarding the development or agreement with the developer, Republic.)

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Times **Community**

Rotary Club of EV celebrates formal chartering

By Charlie Wasser
Special to the Times

When you read this, the Rotary Club of Evergreen Valley will have had its formal chartering celebration on June 19.

Scheduled to appear were San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo, Council Members Sylvia Arenas and Johnny Khamis, Rotary International Past President Rick King, Rotary International Past Director Steve Snyder, and Zone Foundation Assistant Director Joe Grebmeier. Both Snyder and Grebmeier would have driven between 2-3 hours each way to address the attendees about the importance to Rotary and local communities to form new clubs. The elected officials were slated to speak about how service clubs like Rotary assist those in need.

It has been an exciting ride getting to this point to charter a new club. We put together the club in five months where it usually takes 18 to 24 months. Rotary chartered us March 5,

2019 and we had 27 members. We now have 33 with 11 of them being 20 and 30 something. Young people from that demographic usually do not join Rotary. They obviously feel the same enthusiasm the rest of us feel. The club will grow and be an important part of the East San Jose and Evergreen landscape. We are already working on a major initiative. We are planning the installation of mini libraries around San Jose District 5 and District 8.

We are ramping up for our first fund raiser. We are working with the San Jose Giants and selling 2500 tickets. Rotary is always looking for ways to assist the community in which there is a Rotary club. The ticket sales will help us raise money while we will be educating the residents about the local sports scene. As the team does well, we will assist in developing a level of pride for San Jose not possible in any other way.

Over the next few weeks we will have a variety of programs with topics of interest for everyone.

June 24, we will not have a speaker but will review the year since the Rotary year ends

June 30. There will be a discussion of plans and ideas for next year's activities and projects. Have a passion? Come to the meeting and share it. You may convince us that that is a good direction for the club.

There will not be a meeting on July 1 since July 4 is that week. Rotarians like to show respect to the USA and plan things with our families.

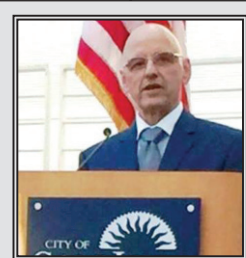
July 8, the speaker will be from the Audubon Society discussing the types of birds in the Bay Area. July 15, tentatively we will be discussing the mini library project and how it might fit in the local neighborhoods in which they will be installed.

July 22, we will hear a presentation by the founders of the new online newspaper San Jose Spotlight.

July 29, we will have Council Member Johnny Khamis speaking on his take on things in San Jose.

We meet in the Clubhouse at the Villages Golf and Country Club Monday's at 12:15 pm. Please consider visiting us. Others that have visited have joined.

Charlie Wasser is President of the Rotary Club of Evergreen Valley.



Rotary Report

Charlie Wasser,
Rotary Club of
Evergreen Valley

Villages Tennis Club Scholarships are awarded

By Claire Hintergardt
Special to the Times

The Villages Tennis Club Scholarships, totaling \$12,000, have been awarded to four outstanding Silver Creek High School students.

The proud students and their parents were honored at the Villages Tennis Club Scholarship fundraiser dinner and silent auction recently.

Each student described their outstanding goals and ambitions to the enthusiastic Villages Tennis Club supporters.

Chloe Nguyen will attend University of California, Berkeley to study human and plant anatomy.

Trisha Nguyen is looking forward to attending Santa Clara University with a major in computer engineering.

Rishi Armstrong hopes to attend Duck
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Gurdwara

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the calendar help us to educate each other about each culture's unique gifts. Understanding others combined with embracing diversity brings strength to all for overcome any stereotypes we instinctively may harbor.

What a great country. It truly is. I say that from the bottom of my heart!

In India, all say that America is the land of opportunity. It's true that any person can truly bring themselves up from the ground to gather wealth and plan well for their future in America. That is not always the case in other countries.

We believe in equality among all people with regard to cultures, race, religion, as well as between men and women too. The Sikhs were one of the first cultures in history to honor and embrace equality between men and women. The truth is, America is such a grand place to live that all one has to do is just grasp the opportunities and figure out how to

make things work for each unique situation.

What is so wonderful about America is that it is a diverse country and a place where people accept one another regardless of race, creed, color or religion.

As you may know, other countries have much less than America both in wealth and freedom. People learn to adapt and get along with little. In this area of the world, there is much giving and much care for all in each community.

The sky is the limit in how one can achieve goals and live their life in this beautiful and so very special country, America.

Thank you to the Evergreen Community and beyond for accepting the Sikh Americans as your friends. Please visit our place on the hill where we serve complimentary vegetarian food 365 days of the year. Also, we never try to proselytize (change others religion or push them towards ours called Sikhism) instead we honor and respect all religions and treat everyone as our brother and sister.

It's the 4th of July, come up and say hello!

Message from President Bob Dhillon of the San Jose Sikh Gurdwara

Dear Community,

We are inviting you all up to the Gurdwara to have an ice cream social this 4th of July (Thursday from 7-9 p.m.). We love the community and there is no more beautiful place than for you to take a stroll then at the Gurdwara on the Hill.

Our Gurdwara is a community center as well as a place of worship. We have many events of this kind each year and want you to know you are always welcome.

We have completed a beautiful children's playground open to the public and are in the process of designing a wonderful nature trail for the community to use in the future.

It is very heartwarming to meet and see the community come up and meet and greet each other in this annual 4th of July ice cream social. We do not have fireworks but you can see the beautiful valley view while enjoying delicious tasty ice cream. The children can go back for seconds if they wish too.

Thank you Evergreen Community for your friendship. For more information on the Under the Moonlight 4th of July Ice Cream Social go to our website and you can get our app too; sanjosegurdwara.org

Editor's note: The Sikh Gurdwara is located at 3636 Gurdwara Avenue, San Jose, CA 95148. Simply travel east on Quimby Rd. and turn right at the top of the hill.



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On December 12, 2018, a vacancy was created on the Governing Board of the Mt. Pleasant Elementary School District following the resignation of Board member Peter Ortiz.

The Mt. Pleasant Elementary School District Governing Board has appointed Frank Biehl to assume the vacant seat on the Board.

The date for the appointment of Frank Biehl to the Mt. Pleasant Elementary School District Governing Board was June 17, 2019.

Unless a petition calling for a special election pursuant to Education Code 5091 is filed in the Office of the Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days of this provisional appointment, it shall become an effective appointment.

Times **Community**



Chloe Nguyen and Trisha Nguyen



Rishi Armstrong and Jason Diaz

Scholarships

Continued from previous page University, majoring in business economics.

Jason Diaz may attend San Jose State University to study computer science.

Each scholarship winner is looking forward to interesting and challenging experiences at their colleges and universities.

Wendy Ferguson, the Scholarship Committee chairperson since 2004, and the committee, have awarded \$72,000 of scholarships to Silver Creek High School students.

Wendy's vision, dedication and leadership, along with significant roles of Jim Ferguson, grill master, and Suzie Hathaway, dinner chef, and each hard working committee member have empowered the scholarship success.

The Villages Tennis Scholarship Committee members are committed to providing scholarships to deserving students at Silver Creek High School. The generosity of the local business and professional members and individuals is significant and greatly appreciated," said Ferguson. "The Villages Tennis Club Scholarship Committee thanks everyone who contributes to the fund."



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from the Social Progress Index and Government Alliance on Race and Equity. And while the City Council on Tuesday agreed on one thing – it needs to address San Jose’s history of inequity – opinions differed on how to accomplish it.

The five dissenting councilors voiced concern that the city had not yet developed a framework for the equity screen and instead advocated for the \$500,000 equity fund.

“I don’t think we should subject anything to a screen that we don’t know what will entail,” Peralez said.

But Liccardo said he was not prepared to stall passing the budget Tuesday, and the council majority ultimately compromised to hold a study session to work toward developing the requested framework.

“We’re not going to get it right the first time,” Liccardo said. “We can start in this moment with \$4 million.”

City Manager Dave Sykes said he wasn’t entirely sure how an equity fund would work.

“I think there is complete agreement that

equity means something different to everyone,” he said. “We are interested and we see tremendous value in engaging in more learning.”

Esparza provided an example of inequity in Liccardo’s budget on Tuesday. She noted that funding for traffic calming measures was unfairly distributed across districts – giving the city’s most affluent neighborhoods the bulk of the money. She added that not all councilmembers submitted a proposal to fund traffic improvements, but that the money should be allocated based on need.

“We need to have a process that funds things based on need, not on whether you

wanted to fund our budget document one year,” she said to the mayor.

Jimenez was one of many councilors that advocated for research first. He also said the topic, which saw over five hours of heated discussion, shouldn’t be a controversial one.

“It seems that most folks are in agreement that something must be done,” Jimenez said. “It’s about advocating not for our districts, but really advocating for all our residents.”

Still, Councilmembers Johnny Khamis and Lan Diep expressed concerns about how the equity fund would work.

“What I don’t want to do is to establish a preexisting fund to address something that we don’t know and make it so it only can be used for bureaucratic procedures,” Khamis said.

Diep acknowledged the collective council’s goal of finding some way to implement equity in future budgets.

“I’m not ready to proceed today with an equity fund. It is more a concern over a process, not the merits,” Diep said. “When I say process, I really mean money.”

This year councilors submitted 103 budget proposals to the mayor, totaling \$41.3 million. They ranged from installing metal detectors in the council chambers to incentivizing the registration of home security cameras with the police department.

Councilmember Dev Davis – who voted for the mayor’s budget message – said City Hall needs to spend time and resources gathering data on how San Jose should address inequity.

“We are in desperate need of a study session because we’re having this discussion without a lot of background knowledge,” she said.

Full adoption of the 2019-2020 budget is scheduled to occur at the June 18 meeting.

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3267 Montelena Drive	\$1,465,000	3	2 0	1,774	7,138 sf
2831 Riedel Road	\$1,375,000	4	2 0	1,566	7,700 sf
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3822 Evangelho Circle	\$1,350,000	4	2 1	2,241	2,542 sf
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2681 Million Court	\$1,175,000	4	2 0	1,623	8,237 sf
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3069 Pavan Drive	\$1,057,320	3	3 0	1,303	4,280 sf
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