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## Mayor Liccardo calls for the end to PG&E's discretionary control over power blackouts in the interest of safety

**S**an Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo is calling for oversight of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) new authority to cut power regionally if the Utility decides that weather conditions increase wildfire risk.

This authority comes after a recent California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) decision awarded all private utility companies State-wide sole discretion to shut down their transmission and distribution lines — without oversight or requirements to notify local governments and emergency service providers.

Mayor Liccardo is calling on State lawmakers to take responsibility for grid safety out of PG&E's hands, and into those of a public agency such as the California Independent System Operator or the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

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## How 'Ann's Petals' has flourished in Evergreen

By Frank Shortt  
*Times staff writer*

**I**n February of 2015 Ann's Petals began serving the Evergreen Community. Before this, life was a challenge for Ann Thuy Nguyen.

Ann Nguyen's life began in war-torn Vietnam. She, her brother, a sister, and her parents were all born in her native land. In the early 1980's, the family, what was left of it, decided to escape the oppression of Vietnam. In a makeshift boat, built by a friend of Ann's mom, about 50 people agreed to try the excursion.

Ann recalls, "In order to not draw suspicion, we left in the morning and made it appear like we were going fishing. It was a two tier boat where many people had to hide in the bottom half of the boat. On the fifth day we were spotted by helicopters who contacted help to have us rescued by a US Navy ship. We were very fortunate to be rescued after five days on our first escape attempt. None of our passengers were skilled sailors, many other refugees were intercepted by pirates or the controlling communist party and many others were lost at sea, eventually dying."

Ann's family was blessed to be able to make it to America! Her dad was not as blessed as he

*See ANN'S FLOWERS, page 20*



**FLOWER POWER**

Ann Nguyen is shopping for flowers with her sister Liz in San Francisco.



## Evergreen grass fire burns 2 structures, 47 acres; dog killed

**AERIAL FIREFIGHTING** – An air tanker drops retardant on a fast moving 47-acre grass fire which broke out on Monday at 11 a.m. in the Evergreen foothills at Aborn Rd. and Gurdwara Ave. The fire spread east and south burning two structures as firefighters worked on the ground and in the air, including air tankers and helicopters to suppress the fire. Homeowners near the fire were asked to shelter in place. *See story, page 22.*

*Photo by William Bellou*



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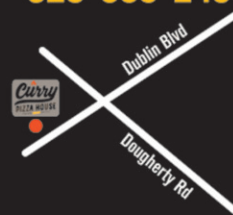


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Times **Feature**

Bejal and Mohit Patel, Franchise Owners of Primrose School of Evergreen, recognized a need for high-quality early education in the Bay Area.

## New preschool to offer high-quality early learning for children and families in Evergreen Valley

A new preschool is slated to open in late Fall for the youngest citizens of Evergreen Valley.

Primrose School of Evergreen is a premier preschool nestled in a heritage building on a spacious 1.7-acre lot committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for children.

The campus will have 12 large classrooms inside the 14,000-square-foot facility with 4 age-appropriate playgrounds. The school located off of Ruby Ave and Aborn Road will serve 216 children from 6 weeks old through Pre-Kindergarten and an after school program from five years to 12 years using a holistic approach called Balanced Learning.

Balanced Learning builds off of children's natural curiosity by blending play with guidance from teachers to take learning to the next level. Concepts like STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) along with physical activity, character development and life skills are integrated into children's daily classroom experiences. Music, gardening, physical activity and Spanish lessons are integrated throughout the day. Group interactions are a large part of learning at Primrose allowing children to expand their social skills.

Good nutrition is a key part of their Healthy Bodies program that promotes healthy eating and an active lifestyle. Primrose School will be staffed with a chef who follows a balanced menu plan from our national nutrition dietician to provide fresh meals and healthy snacks.

Living in the epicenter of tech economy where most schools follow an aggressive academic-based curriculum Bejal and Mohit Patel, Franchise Owners of Primrose School of Evergreen recognized a need for high-quality early education in the Bay Area. Since children here often feel the pressure to succeed academically, the Bal-

anced Learning approach will help instill a true lifelong joy for learning in children. Primrose encourages a child to be a child by focusing on building children's confidence and independence, so they feel comfortable venturing out, exploring on their own and asking questions – all of which help them develop a love of learning they take with them into elementary school and beyond.

The curriculum blends in early wisdom from Montessori, Piaget, Gesell and Vygotsky along with modern day wisdom from education experts including psychologists and researchers, many of whom have degrees in education and child development. Since the curriculum is provided to Primrose teachers, they are able to spend their time engaging in meaningful interactions with each child rather than developing lessons.

"We understand that choosing a child care provider is one of the most important and nerve-wracking decisions a parent makes," said Bejal. "We can't wait to open our doors and provide families of Evergreen a peace of mind that comes from knowing their children are well-cared for while receiving a high-quality early education."

Interested parents can attend the bi-weekly Parent Information Meeting and can also schedule one-on-one office visits.

For more information, call Primrose School of Evergreen at: 408 440-8215; or visit [PrimroseEvergreen.com](http://PrimroseEvergreen.com).

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## Added acreage means more backpacking trails coming to Grant County Park

By Gerald Dean  
*Special to the Times*

The County of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department is planning some major changes for Joseph D. Grant County Park in the hills east of Evergreen.

An additional 1155 acres are slated to be opened for public use, including a first for the park: backpack camping.

The additional acreage lies on the remote southeast corner of the park and was acquired by the county in 2012 from former San Jose Sharks captain Owen Nolan. Planning for public use of the area, known as the Sulphur Springs Ranch, began in earnest last year. The parks and recreation department gathered public input at a February 2019 workshop and through a follow-up survey.

Tentative plans include opening several miles of multi-use trails in the new section of the park and establishing a camping area for backpackers. While there are no plans for bringing potable water to the remote campsites, the county does plan to install a vault toilet, according to Michael Hettenhausen, associate planner in the parks and recreation department. Hettenhausen envisions four backcountry campsites for up to four persons each, with flat sites for tents and cooking stones for camp stoves. There may also be a separate zone for backpack campers to pick their own sites within the zone.



An additional 1155 acres of Grant County Park are slated to be opened for public use, including a first for the park: backpack camping.

Hettenhausen is excited about the Sulphur Springs Ranch addition and the opportunities it affords outdoor enthusiasts. "There's a real feeling of remoteness to the area," he says. In addition to backcountry camping, a new trail along the Isabel Ridge will offer views not only of Lick Observatory on Mount Hamilton, but also of the distant Santa Cruz Mountains. There's also the aromatic Sulphur Creek itself,

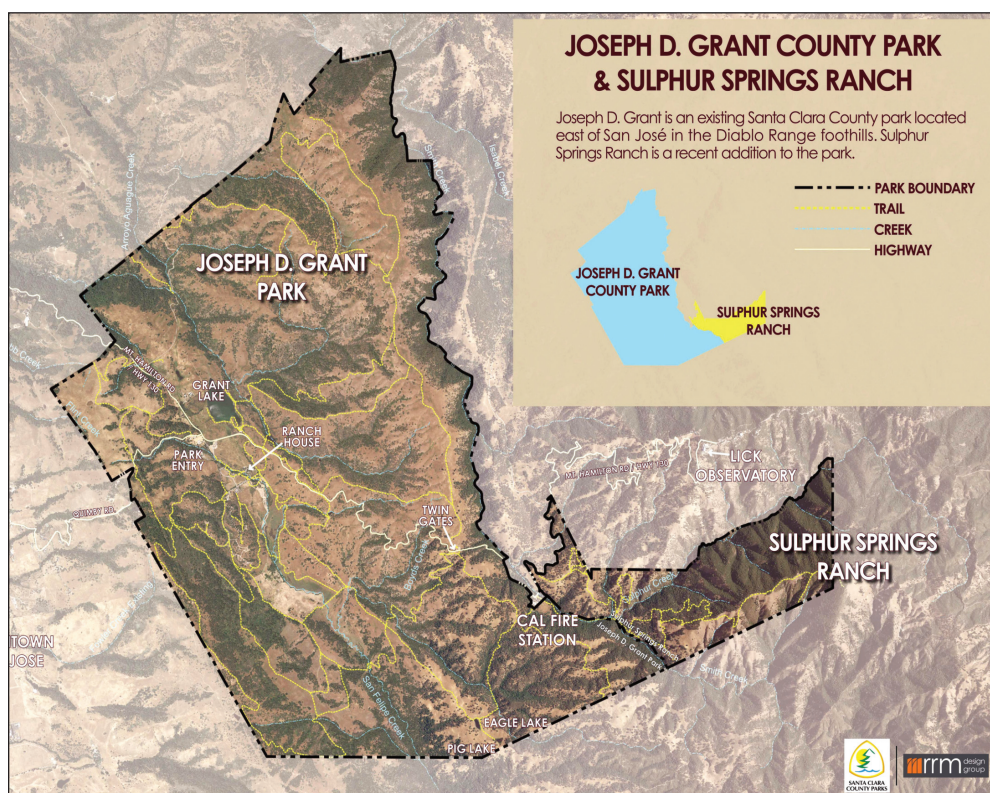
dotted with Sulphur springs similar to those in Alum Rock Park, though on a smaller scale.

There are still some bureaucratic and logistics hurdles to overcome before Sulphur Springs Ranch opens to the public. Hettenhausen will be briefing the SCC Parks and Recreation Commission in October once recommendations are finalized. He'll then take their input and try to gain commission approval in December. Eventually, he hopes to have final approval from the county board of supervisors by spring 2020. After that, work will commence on trails, bridges, and the campsites. The Sulphur Springs Ranch section will likely open to the public in 2021, contingent on all approvals and staff and funding availability.

Joseph D. Grant County Park is the largest of Santa Clara County's parks with 10,882 acres. It currently has 51 miles of trails, of which 41 miles are open to mountain bikers and 46 miles to equestrians. It also has family tent campsites with hot showers for \$34 per night and group picnic and youth camping areas.

Camping reservations can be made at [gooutsideandplay.org](http://gooutsideandplay.org) or by calling (408) 355-2201. The park entrance is on Mount Hamilton Road, eight miles from the Alum Rock Avenue junction.

For more information about the future plans for Grant County Park, visit [parkhere.org/jd-grantmpa](http://parkhere.org/jd-grantmpa). To provide comments or ask questions, email Michael Hettenhausen at [michael.hettenhausen@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:michael.hettenhausen@prk.sccgov.org) or call him at (408) 355-2362.



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Times **Community News**

**BULL ON THE RUN** - This huge bull was on the loose in the Ranch community in Evergreen. Kevin Janda took a photo of the bull strolling up Hassler Parkway. He said he didn't see any open fencing so how the bull got near the roadway is a mystery. Janda reported the bull to authorities as a safety concern for other motorists. The bull has not been seen in the area since the initial report.

## Burglary, homicide on Montecito Drive in Evergreen

San Jose police officers responded to a call of a burglary in progress at a residence on the 3200 Block of Montecito Drive in Evergreen on Friday, July 12 at approximately 9:30 a.m.

When officers arrived on scene, they observed a vehicle leaving the area. Officers attempted to stop, and briefly pursued the vehicle, which failed to yield. The pursuit was terminated due to safety reasons.

Officers then responded back to Montecito Drive and confirmed there had been forced entry at the residence. Officers entered the residence and located an 84 year-

old male victim suffering from life threatening injuries. The victim was pronounced deceased at the scene.

San Jose Police Department Homicide and Crime Scene investigators responded to the scene. The motive and circumstances surrounding the incident are under investigation. Detectives are working to identify and apprehend the suspects.

The identity of the deceased will be released by the Santa Clara County Coroner's Office after they confirm the identity and notify next of kin.

This is the City's 20th homicide of 2019.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Sergeant Ali Miri or Detective James Cerniglia of the San Jose Police Department's Homicide Unit at (408) 277-5283. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers at (408) 947-7867.



**MUSIC IN THE AIR** - The Evergreen Valley Youth Orchestra (EVYO) finished another successful year. This is a youth run non-profit organization dedicated to learning music and playing throughout the Evergreen Valley community. EVYO has raised more than \$1500 this year to support music programs in the Evergreen Unified School District and to purchase music for the orchestra. EVYO rehearses at Grace Church in Evergreen.



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## Times News

### Power

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"The responsibility for making this very weighty decision to cut our region's power cannot lie solely in the hands of PG&E — we need a decision maker accountable to the public, not merely to shareholders," said Mayor Liccardo. "We cannot trust PG&E to make decisions in the best interest of public safety. This is the same PG&E that announced \$11 million in bonuses to executives in the same year they filed for bankruptcy, falsified electric and gas infrastructure records for a half-decade, and issued debt to pay more than \$7 billion in dividends to shareholders, all while cutting needed investment in infrastructure safety and maintenance."

With this new authority, PG&E submitted a public safety power shutoff (PSPS) plan that indicated regional blackouts could last up to seven days. The plan also reduces the threshold of de-energization decisions, guaranteeing blackouts will happen more frequently. While companies like PG&E must coordinate transmission shut-offs with state and federal regulatory agencies, the companies retain full authority to decide whether and when to flip the switch and notice to emergency responders, and local governments may come with no warning.

Without oversight or notification of local agencies, these extended power outages could pose intolerable public safety

risks, including:

- Loss of air-conditioning during the summer heat
- Unreliable cell phone service that could prevent residents from calling 911
- Senior care homes' without backup generators inability to operate respirators and other life-sustaining equipment
- Loss of power to traffic signals and street lights, which would increase accident risk and gridlock
- Wells and gas station pumps lacking backup generators would cease operating, leaving rural residents without water and urban commuters without gasoline.

In addition to severe public safety risks, extended blackouts are certain to lead to major economic losses:

"Every supermarket, restaurant, and home will lose refrigerated food, offices will shut down, struggling small businesses will fail, and many families will flee their homes," continued Mayor Liccardo. "This isn't speculation: multi-day blackouts in 2003 cost Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York residents and businesses more than \$4 billion, and resulted in 100 fatalities."

To prepare for extended power outages, the City of San Jose has formed a task force with the Office of Emergency Management, Community Energy Department, the San José Fire Department, Public Works, and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services to prepare for outages, and assess and plan City response.

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If you are interested in serving on this committee, please submit a **letter of interest** to:

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Your letter should include a brief introduction of yourself, your contact information, and an overview as to why you are interested in serving on the committee. **All letters must be received at the District Office by 4:00 p.m. on August 16, 2019.** Applicants will be contacted for follow-up interviews.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Karen Wevers at 408-270-6827.



Times **Education****Sacred Heart Community Service has begun its annual 'Pack A Back' registration**

Parents may now register for appointment times on August 9th to come to Sacred Heart and choose new backpacks and school supplies for their children. To register, visit: [sacredheartcs.org/pab-reg](http://sacredheartcs.org/pab-reg)

Sacred Heart will have appointments available for 3,300 children in the community up to 12th grade. In the past, the agency held an onsite Registration Day where parents started lining up in the early morning hours, some even the night before. This year, Sacred Heart is excited to announce that Pack A Back registration will be online. Parents can learn more at <https://sacredheartcs.org/pab-reg/>.

Pack A Back is made possible thanks to Sacred Heart Community Service's generous community who is invested in the future talent of Silicon Valley. There are many ways people can support this campaign including making a financial donation, volunteering, organizing a school supplies drive, or purchasing items on the organization's Amazon Wishlist.

You can learn more information about how to support the Sacred Heart Community Service program at <http://www.sacredheartcs.org/pab>.

**40,000 students to be issued library cards**

Every student in four major San Jose school districts will receive a library card this fall. Evergreen School district students are slated to receive their library cards sometime next year.

The idea to provide the library cards to everyone in the school districts is the result of the elimination of late fees on children's materials which was adopted by the library system last year.

San Jose Library Director Jill Bourne says that many students stopped using their library cards after getting hit with a fine and being blocked from checking out more materials.

Discontinuing the fines removed one barrier and bringing the cards directly to the students eliminates another.

"We weren't collecting (the fees)," said Bourne. "It was just becoming a barrier, these outstanding fines were just getting larger and larger," Bourne said.

The program will roll out in the fall at schools within the Mt. Pleasant Moreland, Union, and San Jose Unified school districts — reaching as many as 40,000 students.



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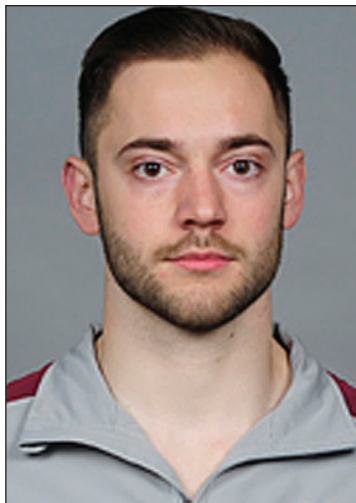
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## Haas of Evergreen selected for Google Cloud Academic All-America Division III

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The 2019 Google Cloud Academic All-America At-Large Team, selected by CoSIDA, recognizes the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances in their competitive arenas and in the classroom. With the recognition, Haas becomes the 44th Springfield College student-athlete to earn Academic All-



Jannik Haas

America honors, and is just the third Springfield College men's gymnast to ever receive the honor. In the 2018-19 academic year, a total of five Springfield College student-athletes were named to Google Cloud Academic All-America teams, including women's gymnastics Jess Clemens, football's Andrew Papirio and John Cox, and Brad Deckel of the men's soccer program.

The At-Large Division includes student-athletes from the sports of fencing, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, lacrosse, rifle, skiing, swimming and diving, tennis, water polo for both men and women; bowling, crew and field hockey for women; and volleyball and wrestling for men. Haas was the only Division III men's gymnast in

the country to earn the All-America honor and was one of 15 student-athletes on the second team.

It was a decorated four-year career for Haas, who recently graduated from Springfield College with a degree in Mathematics with a 3.96 grade point average. A two-time captain during his time with the men's gymnastics program, Haas was both a USAG and CGA All-America Scholar Athlete, was a five-time All-America honoree at the USAG Championships, and a three-time NCAA National Collegiate Championships qualifier. In addition, he served as an executive board member of Springfield's Student-Athlete Leadership Team and was a co-winner of the 2019 Tom Waddell "Leveling the Playing Field" Award, which is presented during Springfield's annual Sport and Social Justice Symposium. Haas is a graduate of Evergreen High School.

Springfield College is an independent, nonprofit, coeducational institution founded in 1885. Nearly 5,000 students, including 2,500 full-time undergraduate students, study at its main campus in Springfield, Mass., and at its regional campuses across the country. Springfield College inspires students through the guiding principles of its Humanics philosophy - educating in spirit, mind, and body for leadership in service to others.

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## Technology centered mega developments lead Silicon Valley's economic boom

### Assessment roll tops half a \$trillion; longest period of growth in decades

Following the Great Recession of 2008-2010, Silicon Valley continues to experience an unprecedented economic boom as reflected in the assessment roll data released by Santa Clara County Assessor Larry Stone.

Stone announced last week that the annual assessment roll hit \$516 billion, a 6.79 percent increase over the prior year. The assessment roll reflects the total net assessed value of all real and business property in Santa Clara County as of January 1, 2019.

During the past eight years, the assessment roll has grown 53 percent, more than any time since the hyperinflation period in the early 1980's. Assessment Roll Total Value and Growth for every City and School District in Santa Clara County will be posted on-line at [www.sccassessor.org](http://www.sccassessor.org).

The major beneficiaries of property tax revenue are public schools, community colleges, cities and the County. Fifty percent of local property tax revenue generated in Santa Clara County goes to fund public education.

The growth in the assessment roll is due to mega office and commercial property developments and major property acquisitions by iconic tech companies, including Apple, Google, LinkedIn, Adobe and Nvidia.

Two technology companies, Apple and Google, accounted for 3 percent of the total increase. The assessed value of all Apple properties increased by \$271 million. In addition, the total assessed value of all Google properties increased by \$759 million.

In addition to new construction and changes in ownership, the assessed values of business property, i.e. machinery, equipment, computers, and fixtures grew by virtually the same amount as the prior year 3.3 percent, another indication that our local economy is beginning to cool. The final component of assessment roll growth is the two percent increase in the assessed value of all properties mandated by Proposition 13.

The growth in assessed value is the direct result of several economic factors. For the first time in history, the Bay Area has four million jobs, fed by the technology sector. In San Jose, the median household income increased 21.8 percent in the last three years to \$122,000, the 10th highest in the U.S.

The unemployment rate in Santa Clara County is 2.1 percent, lower than the state at 4.3 percent and the nation at 3.6 percent. That is equivalent of "full" employment. "We are adding jobs, in spite of record home prices, traffic jams, fears of trade wars and labor force constraints. If the Bay Area was a country, it would be the 18th largest economy in the world", said Stone.

"Extremely low unemployment rates in Silicon Valley have driven the cost of tech talent to an all-time high, creating a serious high-tech labor shortage. Employers, particularly technology companies, are having

problems hiring skilled employees due to sky-rocketing housing costs. The lack of affordable worker housing is making it impossible for employers to fill existing jobs", said Stone.

"The Silicon Valley office market closed on another record year, a much longer period of expansion than the "dot-com boom", 19 years ago. Office vacancy in Silicon Valley has declined from 25 percent in 2009, to 7.4 percent at the end of the first quarter. In Silicon Valley, 7.7 million square feet of office space was under construction in the first quarter of 2019, the most since 2000. Seventy-five percent of the 7.7 million square feet was pre-leased before completion of construction. Google has 20 million square feet of office space under lease in Silicon Valley, most of it in Santa Clara County. Vacancy countywide is 1.7 percent for warehouse, and 2.7 percent for industrial at the end of the first quarter, an 18-year low. Apartment rents have increased 52 percent since 2010, with vacancy below five percent", said Stone.

Assessor Stone cautioned that "there are early indicators that the economy may be in transition if for no other reason than we are due for a recession. Nationally, job growth in 2019 has slowed dramatically. We are seeing a marked increase in "for rent/lease" signs outside of major apartment complexes in addition to concessions such as free rent and reduced deposits to attract tenants, a clear signal that the peak of the apartment market has passed.

The same is true in the commercial sector. The unsustainable and frenzied leasing activity of 2015 and 2016 has slowed, in part, as a result of the significant increase in the supply of new office space." These changes will likely slow the assessment roll growth in future years. Consumer confidence recently dropped to the lowest level since September 2017.

The Santa Clara County assessment roll closed on time by the statutory deadline of July 1, 2019. For the 17th consecutive year, the Assessor operated below budget, returning \$1.3 million unspent back to the County's general fund.

### Assessor Annual Notification of Assessed Value

On June 28, the Assessor's Office mailed annual assessment notices to 492,423 property owners reporting each property's 2019-2020 assessed value. The notice serves as the basis for the property tax bill mailed in the fall. Santa Clara County is one of only nine other counties in California providing early notice to all property owners. "Most property owners in California learn of their assessed value for the first time when they receive their property tax bill in October," said Stone. The County Finance Agency has created a tool to help property owners learn exactly how much of their property tax dollars go to their neighborhood public schools, community colleges and government agencies, including the 15 cities and county government.

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This year marks the 75th Anniversary of D-day the allied liberation of Europe. Help celebrate this profound anniversary with the few remaining survivors of the greatest generation.

Spirit of '45 weekend kicks off with a 1940s dance party on Friday night, August 9th, at the History Park San Jose.

The dance starts at 8 p.m. \$15 early bird tickets, \$20 at the door. For more information, call 408.918.1042; History Park San Jose is located at 635 Phelan Road, San Jose, 95112.

## Boom

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Property owners who disagree with the assessed value printed on their notice are encouraged to take advantage of the Assessor's "online tool," available 24/7, enabling property owners to review the sale of comparable properties the Assessor used to determine their assessment. An interactive service modeled after online banking, the Opt-In Tool, allows taxpayers to securely receive assessment notices, in addition to interacting with the Assessor's Office electronically rather than by mail, telephone, or in person. To access the data, a property owner must have a username and password created last year, or the PIN listed on the annual assessment notice.

Property owners who can demonstrate that their assessed value is higher than the market value of their property are encouraged to request an informal review of their assessment. The Assessor's property appraisal staff will complete as many informal reviews as possible prior to August 1, the deadline for making changes that will be reflected on the property tax bill mailed in the fall. More information is available at [www.sccassessor.org](http://www.sccassessor.org).

The annual notice also describes the process for filing a formal assessment appeal by the September 16, 2019 deadline. Residential property owners who decide to file a formal assessment appeal, are encouraged to request their appeal be adjudicated by an independent residential Value Hearing Officer (VHO), rather than the more formal three-member Assessment Appeals Board. VHO hearings are scheduled frequently, allowing for a more rapid resolution.

"Property owners who disagree with the assessed value should not wait for the tax bill before filing an appeal, as the tax bill is mailed by the Tax Collector after the assessment appeal filing deadline", said Stone. More information is available from the Clerk of the Board by calling (408) 299-5088, or going to their website (<http://www.sccgov.org/assessmentappeals>).

*Editor's note: Additional information, such as a detailed city-by-city breakdown of the assessment roll, is available in the Assessor's Annual Report published in August. Property owners who wish to receive the Annual Report can send an email to [annualreport@asr.sccgov.org](mailto:annualreport@asr.sccgov.org).*

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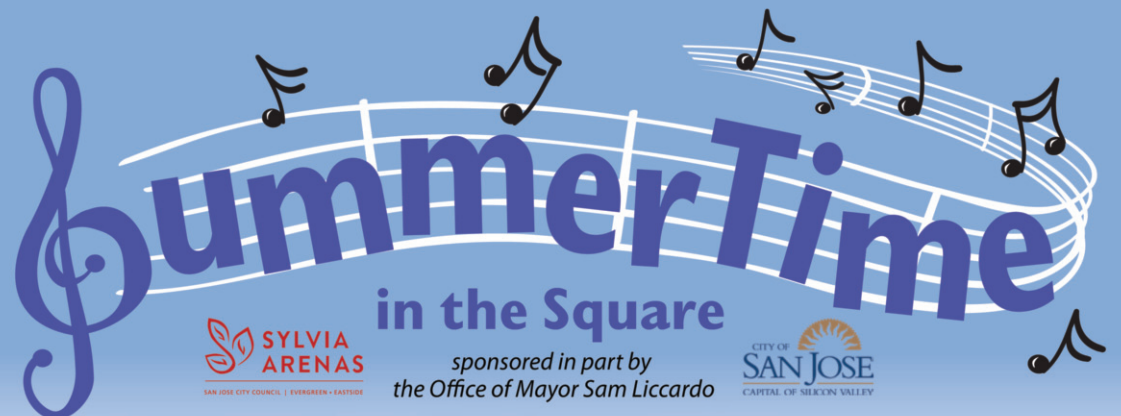


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**District 8 Community Roundtable:** 1st Thursday of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Location: Village Square\* library (For information, visit [d8crt.org](http://d8crt.org))

**CalRTA-Area V-Div. 70 Retired Teachers Organization:** Meets bi-monthly at various eastside cafes also conducts a variety of holiday socials/activities and scholarship fundraisers. Established in 1983! All teaching levels and others welcome. This organization supports the goals and purposes of the California Teachers' Retirement System. For more information call E. Paros at (408) 274-1609 or email [parosej@sbcglobal.net](mailto:parosej@sbcglobal.net).

**East Side Union High School District Board of Trustees:** Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the ESUHS Education Center, 830 N. Capitol Ave. 347-5000. Check the web site for agendas and updates: [www.esuhdsd.org](http://www.esuhdsd.org)

**San Jose East / Evergreen Kiwanis Club:** The Kiwanis meet regularly 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 12:15pm at The Ranch Golf Club, 4601 Hill Top View Ln, San Jose, CA 95138. For 2nd Saturday community projects and 4th Thursday evening socials, consult [www.rotarysjee.org](http://www.rotarysjee.org)

**The Evergreen Business Assn** is a networking group for business owners who live and work in the Evergreen and nearby areas. The purpose of the Evergreen Business Association is to develop and foster connections and to provide a forum for members to share knowledge, promote growth opportunities, and encourage referrals. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 am at the Evergreen Village Square Library, 4035 Evergreen Village Square, San Jose. We also meet at Evergreen Coffee Company on the 4th Friday of the month for a more informal session at noon. Evergreen Coffee Company is also located at Evergreen Village Square. For more information, please refer to our website at [www.ebagroup.org](http://www.ebagroup.org).

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**The Evergreen Senior Advisory Council** meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Get involved in helping plan events for seniors, volunteering for a good cause, and getting to know

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**Evergreen Valley Garden Club** Meeting at the SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING CENTER, 4855 San Felipe Road (across from McDonalds). Meetings will be on the 2nd. Wednesday of the month, from 3:15-4:15 EVGC (No meetings in July or August) Membership is \$20/year or \$30 for couples. For further information, please feel free to contact Susie Henderson: [susiehenderson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:susiehenderson@sbcglobal.net) or (408)532-6602

**Evergreen Valley High School Athletic Booster Club** meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the school's administration office.

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**Evergreen Valley Rotary Club** We are a local service club dedicated to improving our neighborhood and the world. Local business leaders and active community members may visit us every Monday at 12:15 p.m. at the Clubhouse at the Villages Golf & Country Club in Evergreen.

**Evergreen Valley Service Organization:** For more information, call (408) 274-6756.

**Falls Creek Neighborhood Assn:** Homeowners from the Madison and Pulte area developments are welcome and encouraged to attend future meetings. For more information go to the Web at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fallscreekneighbors> or call Dave Zenker at (408) 238-2591.

**The Evergreen Community Center** offers a variety of classes and special events, for kids, adults, and seniors. For more information on our activities visit: [www.sanjoseca.gov/prns](http://www.sanjoseca.gov/prns). The Senior Nutrition program serves a delicious and well balanced meal to seniors 60 and over every Monday - Friday at noon. The suggested donation is \$3 per person. Please make reservations at least one day in advance by calling (408) 270-1244. The center is located at 4860 San Felipe Road.

**Friends of Evergreen Library** meet on the 3rd Thursday of January, April, July, and October from 5:30p.m.-7p.m. in the Community Room of the Evergreen Branch Library located at 2635 Aborn Road, San Jose. For more information call 408-808-3060.

**LeyVa Community Action Team Assn:** This group is bounded by Barbary Lane and Monrovia Drive, Capitol Expressway, Aborn Road, and South King Road. For meeting time and location, please contact the association at (408) 795-5855.

**Lions Club - San Jose East Valley:** This local Lions group meets at the Red Lobster restaurant on Capitol at Aborn on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Dinner and fellowship start at 6 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7 p.m.

Since we often meet at other places, attendees should contact Gayle Kludt at 408 531 1063 to confirm location. Guests are always welcome.

**McLaughlin Corridor Neighborhood Assoc.** Meets second Thursday at 7 p.m. at Tully Library. 365-1300.

**Meadowfair Neighborhood Association** meets the second Wednesday of odd-numbered months at 7 p.m. at Meadowfair Center, 2696 King Rd. For more information, call 539-2308.

**The Norwood Neighborhood Association** serves the neighborhoods from Norwood Avenue to Tully Road between White and Ruby. We meet the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at East Valley Church located at 2827 Flint Avenue. Please visit Next Door Norwood for more information.

**Reid - Hillview Airport Assn:** 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Location: Hillview Airport Terminal. (For information, call (408) 251-4939 or visit [rhvaa.org](http://rhvaa.org))

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

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

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

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

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

**Silver Creek School Site Council Meetings:** Second Tuesday of the month at 4:00 pm in the Parent Center.

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

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

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

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# Movie Review

## Toy Story 4

By **Joshua Kim***Special to the Times*

**W**hen news of Toy Story 4 was first announced, I was skeptical to say the least. Did we really need another Toy Story movie?

Story Toy 3, which still makes me tear up every time I see it, had seemed to close the franchise almost 10 years ago with such heart and finality that there seemed to be no more stories left to tell with our favorite gang of talking toys.

As I sat in the theatre, however, and the beautifully animated opening montage started to play with Randy Newman's iconic "You've Got a Friend in Me," I instantly knew that Pixar had taken the care to make a movie that would introduce Toy Story to a new generation of audiences in a way that respects the first three films. I can happily report that Toy Story 4 is a welcome, but also a necessary addition to the franchise, filled with heart, maturity, and quite a bit of humor. Also, yes, this movie will make you cry at multiple points during the movie.

Toy Story 4 picks up where Toy Story 3 left off, with Woody (Tom Hanks), and Buzz (Tim Allen) and

the rest of the toy gang we have come to know and love such as Jessie, Rex, Hamm, and Slinky, passed off from Andy, who goes off to college, to the kindergarten-aged Bonnie. We are introduced to a new "toy" created by Bonnie named Forkie (Tony Hale), who is made during her kindergarten orientation with popsicle stick feet and pipe cleaners arms. We learn, however, that Forkie feels he is "trash" rather than a toy and constantly tries to run away. When Forkie runs away on Bonnie's family road trip and gets lost, the toy gang must do all they can to rescue Bonnie's new favorite toy.

The film also introduces new, welcome members to the Toy Story cast including Keegan-Michael Key and Jordan Peele who play Ducky and Bunnie and Keanu Reeves who plays a Canadian Daredevil toy. These new additions add a consistently humorous side to the film that balances out the surprisingly mature themes and trademark Pixar heart pulling moments, of which there are many. Also reintroduced with a significant makeover in this

movie is a character that adds a lot to the sense of nostalgia this film brings. (If you have seen any of the marketing you'll know which character I'm talking about).

The only criticism that I have of the film is its underuse of the other toys such as Jessie, Rex, Hamm, or Slinky. While this is done to focus on

telling the story of the main protagonists Woody, Forkie, and Buzz, it was disappointing to see the other characters return after ten years and have so little screen time.

Never doubt Pixar in its ability to make a heartfelt and beautifully animated movie, with Toy Story 4 being no exception. Skeptics of this

new addition to the beloved franchise should be skeptics no longer, as Pixar has succeeded in making a fourth movie that respects the original trilogy and takes the franchise in a fresh and interesting direction. If you are a fan of the Toy Story franchise, Toy Story 4 is a necessary watch. **Score: 8.5/10**



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Times **Entertainment**

## Movie Review Yesterday

By Joshua Kim

*Special to the Times*

On its face, Yesterday seems to have the trappings of a movie that could be great.

It features an intriguing premise about a struggling musician who wakes up from a bicycle accident realizing that no one except for him remembers The Beatles and tries to pass their music off as his own. The film is helmed by the famed director Danny Boyle who directed acclaimed movies such as Slumdog Millionaire (which I love) and Trainspotting.

Unfortunately, however, while Yesterday does have some fun with its interesting premise, it largely remains unexplored and underdeveloped and instead sacrifices its runtime to a saccharine and cliché romantic storyline you've probably already seen many times. Fans of The Beatles will probably enjoy this movie, as the film incorporates many of their songs, but for the others who watch this film, prepare to be underwhelmed and long for the great movie that could have been.

That being said however, there were aspects of the film that I did very much enjoy. My favorite part of the film was the two energetic leads of this film. New comer Himesh Patel holds his own playing the aforementioned struggling musician Jack



Malik and apparently did all the singing and playing of instruments himself, which I feel he did to great effect. Lilli James plays Ellie Appleton, Jack's manager and love interest, and as always, adds a delightful and charming touch to the film. I also quite enjoyed much of the humor in the movie, much of which revolves around the film's absurd premise. There are also some funny moments involving the two celebrity cameos in the film, Kate McKinnon of SNL fame and Ed Sheeran.

Overall, Yesterday is a perfectly acceptable, albeit formulaic romcom with two charming leads that leaves much to be desired.

Score: 6/10



Dog park committee meets to discuss possible park location in Evergreen. Pictured (l to r) are: **Jeanette Campa**, **Matt Savage** (District 8 Council Assistant), **Monica Rodriguez** (District 8 Council Assistant) **Cecilia Carraza**, and **John Epperheimer**.

## Need for community dog park discussed

A group of Evergreen Residents has come together to create a needed Community Dog Park in Evergreen on Friday, July 12.

The group is made up of about 10 residents, four of which met in person with District 8 Councilmember Sylvia Arena's staff at Le Boulanger on San Felipe Rd. and presented a proposal, which was received with interest.

There is substantial work ahead to make

a Community Dog Park a reality. However, the group members are excited and ready to work on the plans.

Anyone in the community interested in joining the efforts to bring a Community Dog Park to Evergreen is welcomed.

For more information, contact Cecilia Carraza at [cecilia\\_a\\_carranza@yahoo.com](mailto:cecilia_a_carranza@yahoo.com) or N. Jeanette Campa at [jeanette@jabez-realty.com](mailto:jeanette@jabez-realty.com) or call (408) 661-0203.

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Times **Feature**



# 4th of July parade and activities attract hundreds at Villages Golf and Country Club



Several hundred people attended the July 4th Golf Cart Parade and activities at the Villages Golf and Country Club.

Golf carts were patriotically decorated and driven on the street entrance to the Villages Club House and made a loop back to Fairway Drive. Veteran's also marched during the parade along with the National Anthem.

Activities included food and beverage sales, a book sale, a family putting contest sponsored by the Villages Medical Association, face painting, balloon animals, and a Flag retirement ceremony at Gazebo Park,

Entertainment was provided by Jerry Saucedo who sang some favorite pop and country tunes. Later in the day, Saucedo sang at a BBQ presented at the Villages Bistro Patio.





# More storks and babies needed in our valley

Look around.

There's a new revolution.

Tired Republicans and older Demos have up and coming younger leaders carrying never heard before messages of hope.

Sweeping changes in attitudes are taking place that are changing the views of mom, dad, grandma and grandpa.

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## Baby Time

Sometimes on radio and in conversations it can be heard that the cost of living is bringing the birth rate down.

Those with fast track careers and lots of dough are often just not ready to settle. "Not yet," they say.

In the meantime, teachers are being laid-off because throughout our land two out of ten elementary schools are closing due to declining enrollments.

## The Big Baby Carriage New Deal

Hear ye, hear ye; How about if women now have babies if they want to. Our politicians could create a new law entitled 'The Big Baby Carriage New Deal.' Just imagine a world where men and women of all ages are invited to be parents and encouraged even though they might not have the right house, resources or income.

## Children have special enchanting powers

I'm not talking about Harry Potter. Ask any teacher if they've ever felt a bit down when they went to their school and participated in an in-service in which there were only adults and the children were not present that day. They will tell you that when school is not in session and the rooms are empty, the mood changes in the school. Children are like little energizers and charge adult batteries with joy. They bring light to homes, apartments, neighborhoods and cities.

## Centers welcome births

Religious centers, City Centers, County Centers, State Centers and all other groups who hold a mission statement of promoting child birth are there to help and they want to help too. They really do. More crying and cooing babies are their focus. They like to hear those sounds!

If one only believes just 1 percent in God, well, isn't that a good start for that little bundle of joy will surely help the world and in-

fluence everyone in positive ways.

No one will preach or judge if a single gal wishes to have a stork visit. This new revolution encourages all babies to be born. Any woman in a high paced tech job can put a baby crib in her office

and the corporation can have roving nannies too.

Women; we need to let them know that we honor them and hear them.

Beliefs follow attitudes. We need more babies to be born. All of us have to help. We need to encour-

age mothers and help everyone understand that all women are encouraged to go again and have babies. This is the new revolution.

## Our future depends on women

Quoting now from the movie 'The Family,' in my personal opinion the iconic dialogue by

the acclaimed actress, truly sums up the new call for men to wake up. She says in the movie, "Hey boys... if this is your approach to women you are not going to get very far...your future depends on women...don't you care about your future... so take care of them or else you're not going to have one."

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## Times Community



Ann Shopping for flowers for her arrangements.

## Ann's Flowers

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was locked away in a Communist prison. A two-year-old sister was left with relatives in Vietnam because Ann's mom thought it too great a risk to try to bring her along. The Nguyen family later sponsored the sister to come to the States when she was 12 years old. This is why many Vietnam orphans, and those left behind, have suffered abandonment issues. There are several organizations that have been set up to address the problems these children face.

Ann continued to relate, "Yes, I do remember the boat trip with my mom. She was the captain of her boat because her friend built her the boat from scratch. My brother and I were the privileged ones because we got to stay on top of the boat while everyone was hiding underneath. We didn't want to raise flags that we were fleeing the country. It was very brave of my Mom to take on a boat full of people. My brother was the first person to spot the helicopter and called for help. Another thing that really stays in my mind was that I was able to swim with dolphins while we stopped for a break in the ocean!"

When the family landed in the States, Ann's mom did whatever it

took to make ends meet. She was co-owner of a Chinese/Vietnamese Restaurant in San Francisco and a Pho Restaurant in Oakland. She also did assembly work as well. "It was a major struggle learning the English language for my family," said Ann. "In the early 80's, very few Americans could speak Vietnamese. At that time, there was no English as a Second Language curriculum in my school in Utah. Imagine being in a completely foreign country, not being able to communicate or understand anything people were saying and looking different from everyone else. As I reflect back as an adult, I can only imagine how difficult it must have been for my mother to face all the challenges my family encountered. Luckily, we were helped by many friends from church and generous people who empathized with our situation and offered so much help." Ann stated this placing emphasis on her mom!

Ann began her education as a second grader in Utah. At that age she was just beginning to learn proper use of her native language. As Ann reminisced, "Now I had to learn a language that I had never heard before and none of my family could help me since they were in the same situation." Ann went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Work with a minor

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SALE PRICE: \$23,888  
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DODGE CA NON-PRIME RETAIL BONUS CASH\*\*\*: -\$250  
CA CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2019 BONUS CASH\*\*\*: -\$250  
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MSRP: \$26,580  
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SALE PRICE: \$21,138  
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RAM CA BC RETAIL CONSUMER CASH\*: -\$1,000  
RAM CA COMMERCIAL BONUS CASH\*\*\*: -\$1,000  
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**NET PRICE AFTER DISCOUNTS AND REBATES**

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**NET SAVINGS OFF MSRP AFTER DISCOUNTS AND REBATES**

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SALE PRICE: \$27,208  
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CA CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2019 BONUS CASH\*\*\*: -\$1,000  
RAM CA 2019 RETAIL BONUS CASH\*: -\$750  
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**NET PRICE AFTER DISCOUNTS AND REBATES**

**\$21,888**

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**NET PRICE AFTER DISCOUNTS AND REBATES**

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Ann and her husband take a selfie after setting up for a wedding.

in Child Development. This landed her a job in High Tech for an Analog company doing inside sales.

Regarding the flower arranging business, Ann said, "I launched my business during the Valentine's Holiday in February of 2015 while working in High Tech. I couldn't stop thinking about flowers and decided to launch my business during this time. We are located in Evergreen; a home-based business. We welcome all customers preferably with appointments so that we can cater to each client."

Ann affirms, "I feel that Ann's Petal's has been more successful than I could ever imagine. Bringing joy to others through our flowers has been emotionally gratifying. I have gained so many strong relationships and friendships with my clients during this rewarding journey. I started doing individual floral arrangements, and now in addition to that, I have been able to provide flowers for weddings, corporate events, birthday parties, anniversary celebrations, memorial services, bridal shows, retirement parties, and almost any occasion one could think of."

Ann went on, "first and foremost, we are a family business. That is very important to me. I love working with my retired Father-in-Law who has lived with us for more than 2 decades. He loves flowers just as much as I do. My mom and her friends also help us, and I'm always looking for more people to join our family business. I would like to continue to grow and expand yet still be able to have personal interaction and input from our clientele. I genuinely value the day to day joys I'm able to be involved with when I provide floral arrangements that brighten others' lives. I am aware that my clients have many other options, but I hope I will be fortunate enough to continue to earn their time and consideration when they decide to make their next floral purchase.

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## Movie night and summer music night: July 19

### Banner dedication ceremony rescheduled for August 23

Involved Evergreen has sponsored family movie nights since 2007. The organization invites everyone to join the fun on Friday, July 19, beginning at 6 p.m. for music by Groove Objective, a wine stroll and a family friendly movie, *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse*.

The Banner Ceremony has been rescheduled for August 23 at the summer music and movie night at Evergreen Village Square. There are five additional banners scheduled to be installed in the center of Village Square.

The final music and movie night of the season (Aug 23) will feature the music of Touch 'N Go, a wine stroll and the movie *The Secret Life of Pets*.



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## Speed cameras may be on table again for San Jose

The Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force is discussing a proposal to test automated speed cameras in San Jose and San Francisco.

The proposal to use speed cameras is being considered due to an increase in pedestrian, bicycling and auto fatalities.

Speed cameras would snap a photo of offending vehicles whose owners would get a ticket in the mail.

The Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force will consider a variety of ways to slow drivers and that includes the testing of automated cameras on city streets in Santa Clara County may be back on the table.

Two years ago a proposal to conduct a five-year pilot automated



camera project to catch speeders failed when needed legislation was not approved in Sacramento.

The Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that fixed speed cameras reduce injury crashes by 20 to 25 percent, and mobile speed cameras reduced injury collisions by 21 percent to 51 percent.

More than 140 cities across the United States have automated speed enforcement programs, but it is not legal in California and a change to state law is required to use speed cameras.



The fire spread east and south burning two structures as firefighters worked on the ground and in the air, including air tankers and helicopters to suppress the fire. Homeowners near the fire were asked to shelter in place. Photo by Frank Langben

## Evergreen grass fire burns 2 structures, 47 acres

By William Bellou  
Publisher

Air tankers and helicopters were called to help stop a fast moving 47-acre grass fire which broke out on Monday, July 15 at 11 a.m. in the Evergreen foothills at Aborn Rd. and Gurdwara Ave.

The fire spread east and south burning two structures, a mobile home and cottage, as firefighters from Santa Clara County, the city of San Jose and Cal Fire, worked on the ground and in the air, to halt the 4-alarm fire. A small pet dog, home alone living in the cottage was killed by the fast-moving blaze.

The San Jose Fire Department and Cal Fire announced the fire 60 percent contained by 1 p.m.

Homeowners near the fire were asked to shelter in place by fire officials, but many residents living in the vicinity of the fire were issued phone alerts in the city's emergency notification system to evacuate.

The blaze threatened several homes off Aborn Road and Lazy Lane at approximately 12 noon, but the homes were saved by fire fighters. It was the second fire that engulfed the hillside in the past 25 years.

Fire officials will now work to determine how the fire got started.

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Dealer Discount.....	-\$2,812
Sale Price.....	\$14,288
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$1,000
<b>Net Price After Discounts and Rebates</b>	

**\$12,788**

1 at this Net Price #087401

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### 2020 Hyundai Elantra

**AUTOMATIC, AIR**


MSRP.....	\$20,035
Dealer Discount.....	-\$3,036
Sale Price.....	\$16,999
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$1,000
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500
Hyundai Finance Bonus Cash**.....	-\$500
<b>Net Price After Discounts and Rebates</b>	

**\$14,999**

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### Why Buy Camry?



**2019 Hyundai Sonata**

**AUTOMATIC, AIR**


MSRP.....	\$23,750
Dealer Discount.....	-\$4,501
Sale Price.....	\$19,249
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$2,250
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500
Hyundai Finance Bonus Cash**.....	-\$500
<b>Net Price After Discounts and Rebates</b>	

**\$15,999**

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### Why Buy Rav-4?



**2019 Hyundai Kona**

**AUTOMATIC, AIR**

MSRP.....	\$21,510
Dealer Discount.....	-\$4,122
Sale Price.....	\$17,388
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$1,000
<b>Net Price After Discounts and Rebates</b>	

**\$15,888**

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### Why Buy Rav-4?



**2019 Hyundai Tucson Limited**

**AUTOMATIC, AIR**

MSRP.....	\$30,585
Dealer Discount.....	-\$4,697
Sale Price.....	\$25,888
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$2,500
Hyundai Bonus Cash.....	-\$500
Hyundai Finance Bonus Cash**.....	-\$500
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### 2019 Hyundai Santa Fe Limited

Dealer Discount Off MSRP.....	-\$5,188
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500
Hyundai Retail Bonus Cash.....	-\$2,500



**\$8,188**


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### 2019 Hyundai Ioniq EV EV EV EV

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Dealer Discount Off MSRP.....	-\$6,588
Hyundai Valued Owner Coupon**.....	-\$500



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5866 Country Club Parkway	\$2,798,250	5	4 1	4,803	17,035 sf
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2110 Ashley Ridge Court	\$2,175,000	5	3 0	2,999	1.20 Acres
5351 Ligurian Drive	\$1,740,000	4	3 0	2,682	6,825 sf
1245 Trestlewood Lane	\$1,700,000	4	3 1	3,000	5,844 sf
5826 Killarney Circle	\$1,575,000	4	3 1	2,485	4,964 sf
7214 Basking Ridge Avenue	\$1,030,000	3	2 1	1,843	3,592 sf
5878 Silver Leaf Road	\$960,000	4	2 1	1,987	5,977 sf

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