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Volunteers such as these are ready to welcome guests to the 2019 Almaden Art & Wine Festival.

## Art and Wine Festival is a true community event

By Beth Swartz  
Special to the Times

The Almaden Art & Wine Festival has been a part of the Almaden community for more than 40 years. What started as a small gathering in 1976 soon grew into an event that takes over half of Almaden Lake Park with two stages of entertainment, a Silent Auction, craft booths, a children's area, food and – of course – many varieties of local wines and beers.

"The core of the Almaden Art & Wine Festival has always been the community," says Almaden Valley Women's Club President Jenny Teixeira. "It's about families and friends coming together to enjoy an afternoon of music, art, delicious food and local wines."

The Almaden Art and Wine Festival also has booths set up for local area businesses who can sponsor the event giving back to the community.

Kren Rassmussen, owner of Bloomsters, knows a little about giving back to the community via the Festival. His business, Bloomsters, has participated in the Festival for more than 20 years. "Almaden is such a unique township," he says. "It's very family-oriented and pretty unique. You get a real sense of a neighborhood here." Anyone who attends the Festival each year knows that they will be greeted with a free sunflower from Bloomsters. "The sunflowers are actually grown specifically for this event," says Rassmussen. He estimates that over the years they've handed out more than 80,000 sunflowers.

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## Unanswered questions remain



Santa Clara County Supervisor **Mike Wasserman** recently addressed a packed house at an Almaden Valley Community Association meeting.

### Resident interrupts Wasserman regarding SJUSD's plan

By Lorraine Gabbert  
Senior Staff Writer

Santa Clara County Supervisor Mike Wasserman recently addressed a packed house at an Almaden Valley Community Association meeting.

He spoke from the heart about the mass shooting at the Gilroy Garlic Festival, housing the homeless, and emergency planning.

However, many of the residents had one thing on their minds: San Jose Unified School District's (SJUSD) plan to replace Leland High School and Bret Harte Middle School with low-income housing and relocate the schools to property adjacent to Harry and McKean Roads. When pressed on the issue, Wasserman read a prepared statement. Dissatisfied residents expressed their concern and asked him to look further into the matter.

### Gilroy Garlic Festival

"Last month's shooting...was a senseless tragedy that has rocked our community and shocked the world," says Wasserman in his newsletter. "My heart goes out to the families affected. I am grateful to all of our first responders and law enforcement personnel for their quick actions."

Stephen Romero (6), Keyla Salazar (13), and Trevor Irby (25) were killed, and 15 others injured in the attack, including Romero's mother and grandmother.

A woman was standing by the stage when she noticed a man coming through the fence carrying a gun. She exclaimed to him, "What the 'F'?" Hearing her voice, he swerved away from the crowd and shot her and her husband. He strode towards the couple lying on the ground. The man was unconscious. "Are you okay?" he asked the woman, standing above her. She didn't respond. "She knew in her heart," says Wasserman, "that if she

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## San Jose Almaden (SJA) Water Polo enjoys strong showing at Junior Olympics

The San Jose Almaden (SJA) Water Polo Club, qualified with a record eight teams for USA Water Polo Jr. Olympics. The USA Water Polo National Junior Olympics competition was held July 20-28 in Orange County, CA.

The teams that qualified for the Jr. Olympics competition included: 4 boys teams (16U boys and 14U Boys A and B teams and 12U Boys), 1 CoEd team (10U Mixed), and 3 girls teams (18U girls, 16U girls and 14U girls).

In addition to having a record number of teams qualify, SJA also had a record four teams (14U boys, 12U boys, 14U girls, 10U mixed) qualify in the top Championship bracket, competing against the top clubs in the nation.

There are 48 teams in the Championship bracket in the nation that compete at Jr.

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Silver Medal team, SJA 10U Mixed led by coach **Eric Rise**.

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## Added trails means more backpacking 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.

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.

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## SJVR 3rd annual 5k/10k charity race slated for Sept. 22 at Almaden Lake Park

The San Jose Vietnamese Running Club SJVR 3rd Annual "OneMile4OneChild" 5k/10k Charity Race at Almaden Lake Park is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 22 from 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The race welcomes everyone from casual beginning runners to active elite runners with different fitness levels and running backgrounds.

"It's all for a good cause and now is the time to sign up and recruit your family, friends, co-workers, and people in your network to tackle your favorite distance 5K or 10K!" said SJVR founder Luong Le. "Please support our charitable cause and make a difference, for Every Mile You Run You Help a Child! Spread the love of this race and register today."

SJVR's primary goals are to encourage and foster physical health, expand community support, networking, and most importantly raising funds to support orphanages through the One Mile 4 One Child Charity fund. The running club donates dried food, school supplies, and new farming machines to help the orphanages and village schools.

Awards will be presented to the top three 5K and 10K male and female runners. All participants will receive a timing bib, tech T-shirt and finisher's medal designed by the local artists.

### Runners' route

Participants will begin running the course from Lake Almaden Park and traverse along the scenic



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Los Alamitos Creek trail, then turn around and finish at the Arroyo picnic area.

Activities at the Lake include delicious post-race treats and live music hosted by DJ Kcteezy and Singer Victoria Thuy Vi McDowell. Milpitas Mayor Rich Tran and San Jose City Councilmember Johnny Khamis will be expected to participate in the event.

SJVR was founded by Luong Le in 2016 with just four members. Today, there are more than 800 members. "I founded the running club as a great way for everyone to have fun and to achieve healthy results and also contribute to charity," said Le.

All proceeds go to OneMile4OneChild charity fund, 501(c)(3)

Due to the safety of all runners, no dogs and strollers are allowed.

### About SJVR

The SJVR Organization 501(c)(3) Non-Profit was formed in 2016 to motivate and foster its members a way to develop healthy lifestyles while creating an opportunity to give back to the community through volunteering and fundraising to support the less fortunate children of Vietnam—Onemile4OneChild.

To register for the 5K and 10K Charity Race at Almaden Lake Park, visit [sjvr.org](http://sjvr.org) and click on event.

## Airplanes and classic cars highlight Hot San Jose Nights 2019 at Reid-Hillview: Sept 7

The 11th annual Hot San Jose Nights 2019, a huge family fun classic car show and airplane show will be held on September 7, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Reid-Hillview Airport. Parking and admission is free.

On display will be a wide variety of new and vintage aircraft and the car show features an incredible array of vintage custom hot rods, muscle cars, sleek sports cars, survivors, new special interest cars and even new cars from dealerships.

The very talented Victoria McDowell will show off her beautiful voice as she sings the National Anthem at noon, while the Civil Air Patrol will present the Color Guard.

### RC Air Show

Baylands RC Group will be putting on "The Greatest Little Air Show in the World" with all radio control planes (with commentary) which starts at 12:30 p.m. They will have three simulators for the public to try out, but first, don't miss the show. At 1:45 p.m. you'll be able to talk with the RC pilots and instructors and try some hands on with the simulators!

### Military Tanks

The Eagle Field Foundation will be bringing seven military vehicles including tanks! The foundation's mission is to continue military history and technology, vehicle preservation, veteran appreciation, educational and related events, and activities for local communities.

### SJSU Aviation Program

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### S.T.E.A.M.

Also featured at this year's event is the S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Aviation & Math) Festival for the kids with fun hands on things for them to do at various booths throughout the day. There will be robotics demonstrations throughout the day.

### Music

Lyin' I's returns this year to Hot San Jose Nights! This fabulous Eagles tribute band is sure to entertain everyone!

The San Jose Metropolitan Band will be appearing again this year. The SJMB will be playing in the Trade Winds Aviation hangar from 10 a.m. – 11 p.m.

### Charity support

Hot San Jose Nights is supporting the fight against breast cancer with "Sobrato Cancer Center at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center." The Sobrato Cancer Center offers state-of-the-art cancer treatment in a compassionate personalized multicultural environment.

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Chris Wilder VMC Foundation CEO, Barbara French, RN, MSN Cancer Care Center - Sobrato Center, Health Center Manager, Dave Cortese, District 3 Santa Clara Valley Supervisor, Susan Hennessy, and Mike Hennessy. Photo by Rich Sieve.

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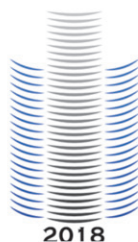
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Festival-goers enjoy wine and sunflowers at the Almaden Art and Wine Festival.

## Festival

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Jackie Jones has also been a sponsor for many years. Her business participates in the Festival each year by sponsoring the wine glasses. Each year she has a booth right at the front of the Festival. "Aside from the overwhelming sense of pride that I feel to be part of such a strong community, I am able to reconnect with old friends while meeting new ones," she says of the Festival. "I also believe in promoting local talent and I wholeheartedly support the amazing group that makes up the Almaden Women's Club and what they stand for." Her participation over the years has been inspired by the neighborhood feel of the festival. "It's a wonderful family event filled with entertainment from your community, art, wine, food and games," she says. "While you're having fun, you are supporting non-profit organizations, schools and programs in your own community."

DGDG is another long-time supporter of the Art & Wine Festival. They have sponsored the Festival for six years with shuttle service to and from the parking lots at San Jose Water and the VTA Blossom Hill parking lot. "The Del Grande Dealer Group truly believes that giving back and being part of the community is extremely important," says Gabrielle Crescini. "Being able to support amazing organizations like the Almaden Valley Women's Club and the Almaden Art & Wine Festival right here in our community is what we are all about at DGDG."

"The fact that we continue to get great support from the community is a testament to the longevity of this event," says Teixeira. She notes that in addition to the businesses, the Festival enjoys support from the City of San Jose, San Jose Parks and Recreation and the San Jose Water Company. Councilmember Johnny Khamis is also a strong support of the event.

"I am grateful to the Almaden Valley Women's Club for their dedication to the community by providing funding and scholarships to local charities and thankful for their steadfast volunteer work to make the Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival a safe and enjoyable event for the whole family," shared longtime supporter and Councilmember Johnny Khamis. He added, "I encourage everyone to come out to the lake and join in the fun!" Each year Councilmember Khamis greets crowds from the

Festival's main stage and always has his team on hand in the sponsorship area to greet his local constituents.

Many Festival-goers have made the Almaden Art and Wine Festival part of their lives for many years. "I've been going to this event since it was held in the park next to the Camden library," says Almaden resident Nancy Dell'Aquila. "Now it's in a beautiful location by the lake and I keep going because I always run into neighbors and friends that I know. It's a wonderful way to see people you haven't seen in a while."

Peggy Koskie, long time resident of Almaden, makes a point of attending the Art and Wine Festival every year. "I always go to this amazing event to support the community, see local friends, and enjoy the wine," she says. Peggy also appreciates the fact that the Festival is not only a great community gathering but also gives back to the community. "This event is a major fundraiser that the Almaden Women's Club organizes with all proceeds going to local charities. What better way to give back and have fun at the same time."

This year's event will feature longtime favorite entertainers like Mike and the Heartbeats and Jokers and Thieves. "We not only feature talented local bands who want to perform because they are part of this community, but kids from local cheer, dance, acrobatic and martial arts teams perform as well," says Lisa Boissier, Festival Chair. "Youngsters and teenagers show us their incredible accomplishments, pride and sense of self, which really highlights the vibrancy within our own neighborhoods. The kids' families come to watch and then spend an enjoyable day with art, music, food, wine and all of the activities in the Kid Zone."

The Festival will happen this year on Sunday, Sept. 15 at Almaden Lake Park. For more information, please visit <http://almaden-women.org>



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## State legislators propose bills which are impediments to parking enforcement

By Johnny Khamis  
Special to the Times

My office has fielded numerous complaints of vehicles stored or abandoned on city streets, plus occupied motor homes settling into neighborhoods for stays that exceed the 72-hour limit. It's not just an issue in District 10, but throughout the City of San Jose.

Our Department of Transportation personnel responded to 55,000 vehicle abatement requests in the one-year period from July 2017 to June 2018 alone — over 150 per day, every day of the year!

Those who have contacted the city or used their MySanJose app to report offending vehicles know that some people game the system and are able to stay one step ahead of parking enforcement which is stretched thin covering our 180.5 square miles. The system already has big loopholes that make it difficult to prevent people from using streets as public storage for their vehicles, making it hard for residents and visitors to find parking in some neighborhoods. Now, the state Legislature is proposing to make enforcement even more difficult for our

Department of Transportation's parking enforcement personnel and the SJPd by passing AB 516.

Two troubling features of the bill that was passed by the State Assembly and is now waiting for a vote in the State Senate are: 1) the 72-hour rule will be extended to a 5-business day rule (which can mean

7 or more days); and, 2) law enforcement would no longer be allowed to tow the vehicles of people who have received FIVE citations — even though they have not made any effort to resolve these citations. The official city position on this bill remains "Oppose unless Amended."

I told the San José Spotlight in a recent interview, it will make the city less effective at handling things like stolen or abandoned vehicles, increase blight and make our citizens more frustrated than they already are.

What do you think of this new policy? If you are as concerned as I am, please contact your state representatives. The state senator for District 10 residents is Jim Beall (Senate District 15), and you may contact his office via email: [sd15.senate.ca.gov/send-e-mail](mailto:sd15.senate.ca.gov/send-e-mail)



#### District 10 Report

Johnny Khamis,  
City Councilmember



## Backpacking

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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/jdgrantmpa](http://parkhere.org/jdgrantmpa). 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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# Mayor Liccardo proposes ordinance to reduce public cost of gun violence, fund efforts to combat gun violence

*“Harm reduction” model to combat gun violence, by mandating Gun Liability Insurance*

Mayor Sam Liccardo is proposing a city ordinance that would require all firearm owners in San Jose to carry liability insurance for their weapons, the first such requirement in the nation.

Those gun owners unable to purchase liability insurance could pay a fee to compensate taxpayers for the public costs of firearm violence in America’s tenth largest city.

Two weeks after San Jose families lost two children in the recent Gilroy shooting, Mayor Liccardo observed that “A mayor doesn’t have the luxury of just offering ‘thoughts and prayers’—we have to solve problems. While this is far from a complete solution, it is something we can do to reduce the harms of firearms, without waiting for Congress to take action,” said Mayor Liccardo.

“Under current Supreme Court rulings, the 2nd Amendment to the US Constitution protects the right to keep and bear arms. However, the Constitution does not require taxpayers to subsidize that individual choice. The cost of city police and emer-

gency services required to address gun violence should be paid by gun owners, not all taxpayers,” continued Mayor Liccardo.

Mayor Liccardo compared his approach to the successful “harm reduction” strategies that have helped dramatically lower smok-

ing rates and deaths and injuries from automobile accidents.

“We require motorists to carry automobile insurance, and the insurance industry appropriately encourages and rewards safe driver behavior. We tax tobacco consump-

tion both to discourage risky behavior and to make sure non-smokers are not forced to subsidize the substantial public health costs generated by smoking-related illnesses and deaths. These successful public health models inspire a similar “harm reduction” approach for firearms,” Liccardo said.

“As Silicon Valley’s largest city, if we prove up this innovative solution and scale it across other cities and states, the history of “harm reduction” efforts instructs that we can make a long-term impact,” Liccardo added.

In addition to an insurance-or-fee mandate, Mayor Liccardo also proposed:

1. Imposing gun and ammunition sales taxes to help fund gun safety classes, gun violence prevention programs, and additional victim assistance services for survivors of gun violence,

2. Exploring a consent-to-search program for juveniles, which would allow parents to consent to have local law enforcement search a juvenile’s person or their property,

3. Creating a program that would offer cash rewards to anyone who reports someone who possesses unlawfully-obtained guns or weapons.



“Non-Violence” (also known as “The Knotted Gun”) is a pro-peace sculpture on display in New York by Swedish artist **Carl Fredrik Reuterswärd**, designed in late 1980 and inspired by the shooting death of his pal, **John Lennon**. It was given to the UN by the government of Luxembourg in 1988.

## International competition launches to create a Silicon Valley icon

By Adam F. Hutton

Article courtesy of  
San José Spotlight

Silicon Valley has no icon. For more than 50 years the area has had an international reputation as the world’s leading region for technology, business innovation and venture capital. In all that time, no monument has been built to symbolize its prestige.

But this week, a group of local philanthropists launched Urban Confluence Silicon Valley, a worldwide ideas competition to create a recognizable landmark just northwest of downtown San Jose — on Arena Green in Guadalupe River Park — one they hope will rival the Eiffel Tower in Paris or the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

“We thought it was odd that an area as important as ours didn’t have a monument,” said Steve Borkenhagen, executive director of the San Jose Light Tower Corporation, a nonprofit group founded by Borkenhagen, Jon Ball and Thomas Wohlmutter to manifest the missing icon.

He says the group has raised more than \$1 million from hundreds of donors to finance the con-

test and the construction of the monument.

The nonprofit takes its name from San Jose’s first, and last, international symbol — a 237-foot light tower that could be seen from San Francisco — a 19th century technological wonder making it the first city west of the Rocky Mountains to light itself using electricity in 1881.

But the tower did not endure. It survived the 1906 earthquake that destroyed many of the surrounding structures. But strong winds toppled it in 1915, and more than a century later, nothing has emerged to replace it.

The original concept the nonprofit came up with was to create a 21st century version of the tower near its original location at the corner of Market and Santa Clara streets.

Although the light tower continues to be an inspiration for the project, Borkenhagen said the group opened up to a wider set of possibilities after that idea received a lukewarm reception from the public. Part of the excitement around the project will be examining new ideas the founders of the group

never envisioned, he added.

“We’ve come a long way from our original notion of a light tower,” Borkenhagen said, noting that the competition takes its name from the confluence of the Guadalupe and Coyote Rivers.

It’s a good thing too, says Bob Staedler, a land use consultant who worked in San Jose’s redevelopment agency for 12 years.

“The starting premise was off putting,” Staedler said. “Trying to replicate the past to make it seem iconic is futile.”

Former newspaper publisher David Cohen, who also serves on the Urban Confluence Silicon Valley community task force, says he wasn’t excited about the original concept either.

“Back in the day, the light tower was monumental, but today if it were replicated it would only be a relic,” Cohen said.

Even with the change in direction, Staedler says he’s not confident the project will achieve its goal.

“I’m extremely skeptical on this,” he said. “But I don’t make it a habit to tell other people how to spend their time and money, so as long

as it’s not draining the general fund, God bless them.”

Staedler said the city should focus on expanding its trails and maintaining its parks for the people who live here, rather than building a monument for tourists.

But Borkenhagen says the monument will be a source of civic pride, something that is sorely lacking, conspicuous by its absence in a place with an oversized ego in many other ways.

“Silicon Valley has great self-esteem in certain areas,” Borkenhagen said. “Intellectually and technologically, but we don’t have a place that causes people to have that feeling of awe that these great icons and landmarks do. That was our original motivation.”

That said, the nonprofit is not looking for an artist’s interpretation of the tech industry.

“We are in Silicon Valley, but we don’t want this to be an homage to the microchip or bro-culture or coding or any of that stuff,” the executive director said.

The group started soliciting entries [urbanconfluencesiliconvalley.submittable.com/submit](http://urbanconfluencesiliconvalley.submittable.com/submit) for the contest on Tuesday and Borken-

hagen says he expects hundreds, if not thousands, of applications. The deadline to submit is October 15. Next, up to 50 submissions will be selected by a community panel for a public exhibition in November. Those entries will go before a distinguished panel of artists, designers and place-makers, which will select three finalists.

The finalists will each be given \$150,000 to develop their ideas and make their final presentations to the panel in May 2020. Borkenhagen says construction on the winning entry will begin later that year and continue into 2021.

It can’t come soon enough for Cohen, who arrived in Silicon Valley 35 years ago when “in terms of architecture, San Jose was the most boring place in the universe.” In other words, he’s been waiting for this for a long time.

“There’s no iconic structure that speaks to the innovation that has come out of this area and I think it is going to be fascinating to watch it happen with this project,” Cohen said.

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Times **Community****39th Annual Italian Family Festa: August 24-25**

The Italian American Heritage Foundation presents the 39th Annual Italian Family Festa August 24-25 at History Park San Jose.

The Festival provides a weekend of fun, music, food, cultural activities and more starting at 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. on Saturday August 24, and from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Sunday August 25.

For two full days attendees will be entertained with live music and dance, mouth-watering Italian food, Galbani Cheese cooking demonstrations, grape stomping contest, wine tasting garden, art gallery, cultural activities and much more. The event takes place at History Park in San Jose. Admission is free.

Festa bridges the traditions of Italians in the Santa Clara Valley with the 21st century. Savor authentic Italian foods while listening to the sounds of Italian music, play bocce, and gain cooking tips. Get your feet moving at our grape stomp, learn the art of Italian lace making, relax in our wine tasting garden, stroll the arts and crafts vendors, and learn a little something about Italian heritage and history in our cultural village.

The Festa Cultural Village, presented by JP Napoli Companies, will feature presentations on growing figs, Celebrating Matera, European capital of culture, the amazing San Jose Grower's Market, recapturing history, and local author, Caroline Cocciardi will discuss her book Leonardo's Knots, an amazing tale of the detailed genius of Leonardo DaVinci. The lace makers are back demonstrating the lost art of Italian lace.

Relax and enjoy a culinary demonstration on the La Cucina Galbani® Cooking Stage with Galbani's celebrity Mark Sciortino "Chef Marco",

owner of Marco's Italian Restaurant in Buffalo, NY. Along with Umberto Pala, chef and owner of Vin Santo Ristorante in Willow Glen and Patty Tibbils, co-owner Zanotto's Market, all their culinary secrets will be shared with you.

"We are excited about all the new events we've add this year", said Nancy Morreale, Festa Director. "With everything going on make sure to make time for our daily grape stomp and marionette show for the kids. Stop by the History Park Hotel where you'll find our genealogy experts and a wonderful gallery of local artists. Festa Wine Tasting Garden, presented by The Sobrato Organization, will feature local Italian wineries and is always a popular activity."

**Flag throwers**

Direct from Italy, the internationally renowned and award winning GRUPPO SBANDIERATORI E MUSICI DEL PALIO DEL NIBALLO DI FAENZA- RAVENNA- ITALY (RIONE BIANCO), flag throwers and musicians will perform at the Festa. The 22 member group is from Faenza, a city in Emilia Romagna, and has been adorned with the title of Italian Champion of the Ancient Flag Game.

Looking magnificent in vibrant renaissance costumes, bearing large colorful flags with the heraldic design of Rione Bianco, these highly trained men and women will show their skill and art. They will perform challenging synchronized movements as their flags are spectacularly rotated and tossed 30 feet into the air with grace, dexterity and harmony, all to the rhythmic beat of the drums and trumpets.

Flag throwing originated from medieval battles. Bearing the flag was an honor and the flag bearer was the most important soldier on the

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**Water Polo**

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Olympics so this was very exciting to see our local club have so many athletes qualify in this elite category. The Championship bracket is comprised of the Platinum and Gold divisions and our 10U Mixed team won the silver medal in the gold division! There are more than 150 teams each for boys and girls that compete at Jr. Olympics.

Here are the results of the 160 member SJA Water Polo Club:

10U mixed team finished highest of all of SJA teams - winning an impressive Silver Medal in the Gold division, finishing 26th in the nation overall.

12U boys, 14U girls and 14U Boys A team finished in 9th place in the Gold division, putting them at 33rd overall in the nation.

The 18U girls finished 6th in the Silver Division, putting them at 54th in the nation.

The other teams finished within the top 100 teams. In the Bronze division, the 16U girls team finished 9th in Bronze and the 14U Boys B team finished 20th in the Bronze Division and the 16U boys finished 10th in the Copper Division.

"We were very pleased to see our youngest team place so high," said Eric Rise, Head Coach for the SJA Girls program. "It's exciting to see kids new to the sport pick up the game so quickly and have a great time."

"Water polo is one of the fastest growing sports, both across the nation and here in Almaden," said Cyrus Kahangi, Head Coach for the SJA Boys program. "We had a record num-

ber of boys compete with us this summer, and our results at Junior Olympics are testament to our club's progress."

USA Water Polo organizes all the teams at the competition in three divisions. SJA had four teams qualify for the Championship Division – elite category.

**Championship Division**

The Championship Division is an elite tournament with the top teams from each zone qualifying. This division will offer big courses, longer quarters and a competitive National Championship atmosphere. As the tournament progresses, teams will be divided into two subdivisions, platinum and gold.

**Classic Division**

The Classic Division is for teams who participated in their Zone Qualifying tournaments but do not qualify for the Junior Olympic Championship Division. Its purpose is to create a tier of competition offering players and programs a national end-of-summer tournament with the excitement and atmosphere found only at the Junior Olympics. As the tournament progresses, teams will be divided into two subdivisions silver and bronze.

**Invitational Division**

The Invitational Division was created in order to give developing teams and clubs an opportunity competition with teams of similar skill level while still being involved in the intense atmosphere that encompasses the National Junior Olympics. The goal is to provide teams with a competitive end-of-summer tournament. As the tournament progresses, teams will be divided into two subdivisions, nickel and copper.

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## Festa

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battlefield. He carried the flag that represented his kingdom which was used as a means of communication in battle, and he was expected to defend it with his life. Losing the flag to the enemy would mean disruption in communication, confusion for the soldiers and finally defeat. The flag was considered a symbol of purity, it was not allowed to touch the ground and must never fall into enemy hands. In the event of being attacked, the flag bearer would throw the flag to a comrade. Strength and accuracy were critical skills as the flag had to be thrown long distances to ensure the saving of the flag and keeping it away from battle.

Today, what was once a frontline necessity has gradually morphed into a ceremonial art form that lives on and is part of the present day medieval and renaissance themed festivals, palios, parades and other historical pageants in Emilia Romagna, Tuscany, Umbria and the many regions of Italy.

This year, Festa goers can experience this colorful display of pageantry as the flag throwers parade through the streets of the Italian Family Festa and entertain us with their astonishing flag throwing performance accompanied by the sound of drums and trumpets. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience old world Italian traditions in Santa Clara Valley.

History Park San Jose is located at: 1650 Senter Road, San Jose, CA 95112

For more information, visit: [www.Italian-FamilyFestaSJ.org](http://www.Italian-FamilyFestaSJ.org); Follow the Festa

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#### SATURDAY

Opening Ceremonies	11:00
La Galleria Caprese	11:00
Wine Tasting Garden	12:00
Opera	12:00
Genealogy Masters	12:00
Celebrating Matera, Italy	12:15
Tom Torriglia Band	12:30
Mike Zampencini, Accordionist	12:30
The Fratello Marionettes	12:30
Galbani Cooking Stage Demo	12:30
Fascinating Figs	1:30
Galbani's Children's Cheese Building	1:30
<b>Sbandieratori E Musici Fornovo Taro, flag-wavers and musicians from Fornovo di Taro Italy</b>	<b>2:30</b>
Grape Stomp	3:00
Blue House Band	3:30
San Jose Terminal Market, Recapturing History	3:45
Galbani Cooking Stage Demo	4:00
<b>Sbandieratori E Musici Fornovo Taro, flag-wavers and musicians from Fornovo di Taro Italy</b>	<b>5:00</b>
Meet the Italian Flag Wavers and Musicians	6:00
Galbani Cooking Stage Demo	6:00
LiveWire—street dance	6:00

#### SUNDAY

La Galleria Caprese	11:00
Italianita—explore Italian American resources	11:30
The Fratello Marionettes	12:00
Wine Tasting Garden	12:00
Genealogy Masters	12:00
Mike Zampencini, Accordionist	12:30
Galbani's Children's Building Fun	12:30
<b>Sbandieratori E Musici Fornovo Taro, flag-wavers and musicians from Fornovo di Taro Italy</b>	<b>1:30</b>
Leonardo's Knots - genius of Leonardo DaVinci	2:25
Galbani Cooking Stage Demo	2:30
Molise, Italy - a tribute to my ancestral home	3:15
Opera	3:00
Anthony Nino Band	3:00
Celebrating Matera, Italy	3:45
Grape Stomp	3:00
Galbani Cooking Stage Demo	4:00
ALFIO	4:00
Anthony Nino Band	5:00



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had, he would've killed her." The gunman moved on. Hearing gunshots, the police started coming and the crowd started running away. "If she hadn't gotten his attention," says Wasserman, "there were so many people there..."

Wasserman visited four of the survivors at Valley Medical Center and commended the hospital staff who he says, "dropped everything and worked long past their shifts ended to provide world-class care for the victims."

### County hospitals

Victims of the shooter were first rushed to St. Louise Hospital for treatment. Based upon their injuries, some were transported to Valley Medical Center or Stanford Hospital.

"Thank God St. Louise was open because...several of the people would not have made the 40-mile drive [to another hospital]," says Wasserman.

Santa Clara County acquired O'Connor and St. Louise Hospitals, as well as the DePaul Urgent Care Center in December: a \$235 million purchase. St. Louise is the only hospital open 24-7 with an emergency room in south county serving Gilroy, Morgan Hill and San Martin.

Wasserman says he fought hard for Santa Clara County to acquire the hospitals to prevent them from closure.

"The two hospitals and the clinic are essential to the lives of the

residents who would have been left without nearby emergency care," says Santa Clara County Supervisor Dave Cortese.

On June 30, the county passed their \$8.1 billion budget. The purchase of the two hospitals added a billion and a half dollars and 2,000 employees. "We are the third or fourth largest hospital system in the nation," says Wasserman, "and Valley Medical Center is one of the top trauma, burn, and rehabilitation centers in the state."

### Homeless

Housing the homeless is an ongoing battle. Four years ago, the county had 7,000 homeless men, women and children. During the last four years, 5,200 homeless were housed. Six months ago, they did another count. There are now 7,100 homeless in the county.

"More people have become homeless in the last four years than we've housed," says Wasserman. "With Measure A funding, we have funded 14 to 15 low income housing projects, which is going to help...but with rising rents forcing people out...it's very frustrating. It's a huge problem."

### SJUSD Controversy

At this point, a resident interrupted Wasserman regarding SJUSD's plan. "I came to the meeting because I thought you were going to talk about the most important issue to this area: what's happening with Leland High School?" he asks.

"The topic you're talking about is the topic du jour," says Wasserman. "Six months ago, it was another See QUESTIONS, page 18



## Dubanski Drive

John and Madeline Yaussi hosted their annual National Night Out event on Dubanski Drive on August 6. They enjoy hosting the annual event for families who, like them, have lived in the area for more than 40 years and new families who have lived on the street less than a year. "We love our neighborhood and enjoy hosting this event for our neighbors to get together," shared John and Madeline.

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# Sikh Peace Parade builds community connection

*Free admission and everything complimentary including food*

By **Kevin Larsen**  
Times Staff Writer

Almaden Residents are invited to join Sikhs from the Gurdwara on the Hill (a community center and religious place) in San Jose to celebrate their annual parade which starts at 11 a.m. on Sept. 1. Everyone is invited!

The San Jose Sikhs of the Gurdwara invite all religions, all people, everyone to come as their guest many times a year at various events and Sunday, September 1 is a special day. The word Sikh is derived from a Sanskrit word meaning 'disciple', or one who learns.

The Parade is about peace in our world and the celebration is placed

upon their Holy Book which acts as a guide map for how to live a fulfilled life. The book is composed of the writings of the Ten Holy Gurus which founded the religion of Sikhism between the 15th to 18th centuries.

The Guru Garanth Sahib (Holy Book) is considered one of the world's great scriptures for it enlightens and has information that helps people. It is their eternal and final Sikh Guru for it encompasses the writings of the Ten Holy Gurus which established Sikhism and also contains special writings of people from other faiths too. As stated from the website [Sikhism.about.com](http://Sikhism.about.com), "Sikhism rejects idol worship, so the Guru Granth Sahib is not worshipped as an idol, but rather emphasis is placed on respect of the scripture for the writings which appear with-

in. Guru Granth Sahib is a collection of devotional hymns and poetry which proclaims God, lays stress on meditation on the True Guru (God) and lays down moral and ethical rules for development of the soul, spiritual salvation and unity with God." This book is paramount to the entire Sikh religion.

Through the centuries great sacrifice was experienced by the Sikhs in protecting the writings and ensuring they remain pure. Many a religion tried to stop the Sikhs from worship. Even today the Sikhs face challenges in the world.

The parade is a way for the Sikhs to bless the neighborhoods, city and world. They walk with their flower covered float and wish for all people of all religions to join them in celebration of honoring sacred beliefs of their book.

Sikhs do not try to change other people's religion and instead embrace the individual religious beliefs of others while encouraging everyone to follow religious pathways to delving deeper into each individual faith to be closer to the common truth of one creator.

There is great fanfare as the beautiful decorated float leaves the Gurdwara to travel the route (approximately 3 ½ miles). It looks similar to a cable car with a white dome on top. All are encouraged to walk the journey and there are many stands along the way with complimentary snacks and rehydration refreshments. One can also go to Evergreen High School on Quimby Road where there is free parking and shuttle service. The float will ride by at about 12:30 p.m. and you can supply yourself with complimentary refreshments and either choose to walk or be shuttled the last quarter mile up the hill to one of the most beautiful Gurdwara's in the world.

A special guest speaker, Bhai Harjinder Singh, will speak with beautiful hymns while he rides in the float. He is revered in his ability to communicate in special ways to followers. The Kirtan as defined by Wikipedia is; (Sanskrit: कीर्तन; IAST: Kīrtana) is a Sanskrit word that means "narrating, reciting, telling, describing" of an idea or story. It also refers to a genre of religious performance arts, connoting a musical form of narration or shared recitation, particularly of spiritual or religious ideas.

**The entire event is enjoyed by people of all races, religions, creeds and colors**

This Parade is fun to walk in and there is no rush at all to keep up with the float. You can walk the route and the crowds in the thousands will be with you. The refreshments along the way are pleasing. As you walk back up Quimby Rd. you are rewarded with tasty handmade food and booths of delicious treats including ice cream. It is all complimentary for you are a guest of the Sikhs!

This is a great way to engage children in the understanding of other cultures. It is fun and so inspiring to see people from different religions visiting the large open field and sharing smiles and building friendships too. This is what the Holy Book is all about. It is all about a belief that reflects what one of the founders stated in the 15th century, "Before becoming a Sikh, a Muslim, a Hindu or a Christian, let's become Human first."

**You are welcome at the Sikh Gurdwara**

If you wish to learn more you can take a tour of the Gurdwara, which is open to the public 365 days of the year, there is also complimentary

food in the Langar (kitchen) every day. It's good to know and understand all religions and people in our world.

**Some simple questions answered regarding the Sikhs**

The Sikhs wear turbans as part of their Khalsa beliefs. They honor long hair. The Oxford Sikhs website states: "As everyone knows, male Sikhs are easily recognized by their turbans and beards. Over the centuries, they have acquired a reputation for being sturdy, hardworking and adventurous; they are a people who have earned the reputation for being extremely brave and loyal soldiers." In Sikhism, Kesh (sometimes called Kes) is the practice of allowing one's hair to grow naturally out of respect for the perfection of God's creation. The practice is one of The Five outward symbols as a means to profess the Sikh faith. You can learn more in the future if you choose by visiting the history room at the Gurdwara.

Sikh architecture is influenced from artful buildings created centuries ago and display exquisite intricacy. This style of architecture is also seen in non-religious buildings due to its beautiful flow of lines and use of space. The San Jose Gurdwara is the largest in the United States and considered an asset to the city. It is quite beautiful just to walk the grounds.

There is an estimated 27 million Sikhs in the world and about a half million Sikhs live in the United States. Sikhs were one of the very first peoples long ago to recognize that women must be treated with equality in all ways to that of men.

**Beautiful memories of past parades**

Last year, as the float traveled the streets of Evergreen on the hillside, little girls riding in the float sang joyfully with words that were more than 500 years old. The hymns are a form of poetry. As translated, one verse which was sung in Punjabi stated, "Keep praying to God, God is one, serving us all."

A devout man and woman walked slightly ahead of the float and sprinkled water in front of its path to offer purity in its journey.

A woman fervently stated, "Throughout the centuries those with deep religious convictions from all religions brought light to our world. They capture a powerful energy and one positive person who is connected to the Source is more powerful than a million who are negative."

She continued, "There is a physical and nonphysical energy and they work together. We all have the power to bring more and more light into our world."

A Sikh man explained, "The  
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## San Jose celebrates record-setting street pavement program

The City of San Jose, Valley Transportation Authority, and the Silicon Valley Leadership Group celebrated San Jose's 2019 Pavement Maintenance Program on Monday, August 19.

San Jose will repave and repair nearly 300 miles of major and residential streets during the 2019 pavement maintenance season. Since 2012, budget shortfalls forced the City to focus its pavement maintenance efforts only on major roadways. Local and residential streets were maintained only through pothole repair, rather than full repaving.

"This summer, San Joseans will start spotting road repaving crews throughout our city, as we pave nearly 300 miles of deteriorating streets – more than we've repaired in two decades," said Mayor Liccardo. "Thanks to our collective efforts to pass 2016 Measure B and 2018 Measure T, and to defeat 2018 Prop 6, we have finally secured the stable funding we need to repave

every local and neighborhood street over the next decade."

"We are ecstatic to see our local neighborhood streets paved, for far too long our community has suffered increased expenses to their pocketbooks due to blown tires, traffic accidents, and needed alignments. For our poorest families, this could mean the difference of paying for a car repair and putting food on the table. Our families rely on smooth roads to go to and from work, take their children to school, and run errands. This is good government delivering on our promise to maintain our most basic infrastructure," said Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco.

"The Silicon Valley Leadership Group and our members were proud to lead 2016's Yes on Measure B campaign and play a role in the statewide strategy to protect SB 1 funding. We are thrilled that right now voters can see positive transit changes and improvements that



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provide smoother commutes and safer travels for the residents of San Jose," said Carl Guardino, President, and CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group.

With these new funds, San Jose's Department of Transportation has set an ambitious goal of repaving and repairing 200 miles of the

smaller streets, while also improving 88 miles of major streets, in 2019. Over the next nine years, 1400 miles of local and neighborhood streets will receive upgrades. In less than a decade, the condition of San Jose's streets will be upgraded at least four points, to the highest end of the "fair" range, according to the pavement condition index

(PCI).

"A pavement maintenance program of this scale is a long time coming for San Jose," said Transportation Director John Ristow. "Our team has been preparing for two years and is excited to get these local and neighborhood streets back into the kind of condition our residents expect and deserve."

**2019 - 20 SYMPHONY SEASON**

**SYMPHONY SILICON VALLEY**

**SET #1:**  
**Peacock Variations & Tchaikovsky**  
October 5-6, 2019  
Conductor: **Carlos Vieu**  
◆ Kodaly: Variations on a Hungarian Theme – Peacock Variations  
◆ Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6 – Pathétique

**SET #2:**  
**Partners & Dances**  
October 26-27, 2019  
Conductor: **JoAnn Falletta**  
Soloists: **Robin Mayforth & Evan Kahn**  
◆ Liu Boulanger: D'un soir triste  
◆ Liu Boulanger: D'un matin de printemps  
◆ David Aram: Partners: Violin & Cello Double Concerto (SSV co-commission)  
◆ Rachmaninoff: Symphonic Dances

**SET #3:**  
**Khachaturian & Brahms**  
December 7-8, 2019  
Conductor: **Pietro Rizzo**  
Soloist: **Nareh Arghamanyan, piano**  
◆ Gluck: Russian and Ludmilla Overture  
◆ Khachaturian: Piano Concerto  
◆ Brahms: Symphony No. 2

**SET #4:**  
**Film with Full Score The Red Violin**  
January 24-26, 2020  
Conductor: **Shih-Hung Young**  
Soloist: **Lara St. John, violin**  
◆ Corigliano: The Red Violin

**SET #5:**  
**Nakamatsu Plays Beethoven**  
March 21-22, 2020  
Conductor: **John Nelson**  
Soloist: **Jon Nakamatsu, piano**  
◆ Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 2  
◆ Beethoven: Choral Fantasy  
◆ Schumann: Symphony No. 4

**SET #6:**  
**Mozart, Lutoslawski & Brahms**  
May 9-10, 2020  
Conductor: **Tito Muñoz**  
Soloist: **Giora Schmidt, violin**  
◆ Mozart: Symphony No. 35 – Haffner  
◆ Lutoslawski: Concerto for Orchestra  
◆ Brahms: Violin Concerto

**SET #7:**  
**Schubert & A Sea Symphony**  
June 6-7, 2020  
Conductor: **Tatsuya Shimono**  
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concern. Six months from now it will be another topic."

"It's not a topic du jour," says the resident. "It's a critical issue."

"It's a big issue for me, too," says another community member. Others agreed.

In response, Wasserman shares the county's official statement on the issue: "The Board of Supervisors was informed there was a mutual interest between the Parks Department and SJUSD to purchase property from the school district. The parks department's interest in the potential acquisition of school district properties is to preserve and protect open space while creating trail connectivity between Santa Teresa and Calero County Parks. We are not involved in any plans the school district may have for their properties."

"The school district approached the county," he adds, "knowing their land was between our parks. On your property tax bill, by 72 percent, you voted that a portion of the money goes to a park acquisition fee to acquire park land or open space. So, we have the money to buy it, but we're not involved with closing the schools. We are interested in buying the land connecting our parks and trails."

"The concern we have," says a resident, "is, if the district is successful in selling the parcel to the county, they will use the proceeds

to acquire a parcel on Harry Road to build the schools nobody wants."

"They could do lots of things to buy the property," says Wasserman. "If we can acquire that land at a fair price, we will."

Another resident tries to clarify their position: "There is a lot of concern about the school district's proposal," he says. "The proposal is to shut down two schools well-located in the neighborhood—and move them out to open space we'd rather see stay open space. Some of the land the school district needs on Harry Road is owned by the county. I'm wondering if you'd consider looking into that specific issue...and the county not agreeing or at least pushing back on the district's plans to move the schools."

"What I'm hearing," says another resident, "is that as Supervisor, you're not willing to go on record in support or against the proposal. Are you personally in favor of this concept?"

"I don't know what the concept is," says Wasserman.

"You know as much as I do," replies the resident.

Wasserman says that when he wanted to create a mobile home park for teachers, nurses, police and firefighters, he was informed by his council that he couldn't designate housing for specific individuals as it would be considered discrimination. "The county isn't allowed to do that," says Wasserman, "but the state is."

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"We started an organization: Save Neighborhood Schools San Jose (www.snsj.org)," says a resident. "We want to keep our schools in the community. We do support teachers...but we just don't want our schools relocated. You can go on the website for information since you said you haven't been too informed yet."

## Emergency Prep

Community members express concern with evacuating Almaden Valley in the case of an emergency as the only roads out are Almaden Expressway and Bailey Road.

"How are you going to evacuate this area if we have a fire like Lexington fire, which reached the top of the hill?" asks a resident.

Wasserman says that County Fire and Cal Fire "currently have no concern about an exit strategy for getting out of Santa Clara County in the event of a natural or terrorist explosion." What the county does have is seven mobile towers. "There is no place we can't reach, and all agencies have radios and can talk with each other," says Wasserman. The county has also purchased two portable military-grade transmission stations so texts can be sent to residents' phones during an emergency to update them on what's happening and where to go.

"So, we'll know we have to evacuate," says a resident, "But how?"

An audience member suggests having all the lanes of Almaden Expressway and freeways headed away from the disaster, as they



do in the south during a hurricane.

"I'll find out and come up with plans and work with fire and police to do so," says Wasserman.

Another resident suggests granting the public access to IBM's private road, which crosses the hill to Santa Teresa Blvd. in the case of an emergency.

"I'll look into it," says Wasserman.

Wasserman came to update residents on what the county had accomplished but left with a laundry list of issues to delve into. What is unclear is his feelings on SJUSD's proposal to relocate Leland and Bret Harte and whether he will create a cohesive evacuation plan for Almaden Valley.

For more information or to contact County Supervisor Mike Wasserman's office, please see: [www.supervisorwasserman.org](http://www.supervisorwasserman.org), Email him at: [district1@bos.sccgovv.org](mailto:district1@bos.sccgovv.org), or call: 408-299-5010.

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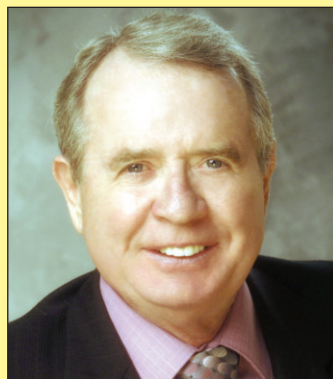


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## Employment

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### POSITION DESCRIPTION MUSEUM EDUCATOR

#### About the Position

Are you an engaging storyteller with a passion for history? Do you have a thirst for knowledge and a flair for interacting with school children and museum audiences of all ages?

If so, you may be eligible to join our dedicated and lively team of Museum Educators. The primary responsibilities of the Museum Educators are to assist in preparing and presenting hands-on, interactive school programs at History Park (Kelley Park, San Jose) and the Peralta Adobe-Fallon House Historic Site (downtown San Jose). The Museum Educators are responsible for delivering inquiry-based interpretive programs for 2nd-6th graders that encourage meaningful connections with the past, as well as planning and participating in hands-on history family programs occurring on select weekends.

The position is a part-time, working weekday mornings (8:30a.m. to 1:00p.m.); and occasional weekends for History San Jose. The education programs presented are aligned with and support the Common Core State Standards and new College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework for Social Studies. HSJ serves over 20,000 students each year. Topics addressed in our school programs include: immigration, the westward movement, and the rancho era.

A full job description is on History San Jose's website, [www.historysanjose.org](http://www.historysanjose.org). Interested candidates should submit their resume and cover letter to: [bjohnson@historysanjose.org](mailto:bjohnson@historysanjose.org).





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