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# **43rd Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival: Bringing community together**

By Lorraine Gabbert Senior Staff Writer eaturing local artisans, wineries, and community, the 43rd annual Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival is just around the corner. Beautiful Almaden Lake Park will be the setting for this highly anticipated event from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., on Sunday, September 15, 2019.

"People love having an open space where they can walk along with their wine glasses and tour the artists' booths while listening to music, all outdoors and close to home," says Jenny Teixeira, Festival Entertainment Chair. "It's a whole experience only an outdoor festival can provide."

An Almaden Valley tradition since 1976, the festival features a wide variety of entertainment.

Team M Taekwondo, Aerial Tumbling, and Acrogymnastics, Leland High School Dance Team, Almaden Spirit Athletics, and Willow Glen High School Spirit Squad will be performing on the Main Stage, in addition to popular, local bands.

To encourage the audience to sit awhile and enjoy the show, a large shade structure has been extended from the stage into the food area, and tables with umbrellas will be provided. Boutique wines from Northern California vineyards will be available, including rose wines from Guglielmo Winery and Ironstone Vineyards, A variety of food offerings include gourmet food trucks, and new this year, Indian cuisine and snow cones.

Having grown up in Almaden Val-



A LOOK BACK - The Almaden Art & Wine Festival has been bringing the community together for generations. Here is a photograph of the exciting event taken by Don DeBold in 2008, with the same playful spirit that the festival maintains to date. (Photo: Don DeBold - CC2.0)

ley, Teixeira has been attending the festival since she was a child and appreciates being a part of it now. "I always try to take a moment to

walk down the center and watch people enjoying themselves," she says. She also loves seeing the proud faces of parents watching their

Mahan has served as a

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to San Jose's Clean Energy

**Community Advisory Com-**

mission while serving as CEO

for the technology company

he founded, Brigade.

kids perform.

"We start out with cheer teams, tumbling, and taekwondo," says See FESTIVAL, page 18

# **SVO PAC endorses Matt Mahan for San Jose City Council District 10**

he Silicon Valley Organization (The SVO) Political Action Committee (PAC) announced the endorsement of Matt Mahan for San Jose City Council District 10 in the March 3, 2020 primary election.

"Matt's past experience both in the community and in the business sector will help him be an effective legislator on the San Jose City Council," said Matthew R. Mahood, President & CEO of The SVO. "In a time of unprecedented growth, coupled with the challenges of housing costs and traffic congestion, Matt brings a fresh perspective that will positively impact San Jose residents for years to come. Out of all the candidates running in this race, Matt is the most prepared and most knowledgeable on the issues that matter to his district."



Matt Mahan

Mahan has served as a teacher, neighborhood leader, and Commissioner to San Jose's Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission while serving as CEO for the technology company he founded, Brigade. His vision for San Jose includes increasing housing supply at all income levels, using

new innovative strategies to address homelessness, and investing in transit infrastructure. Mahan says he intends to accomplish these goals by increasing collaboration between local businesses and the City of San Jose. In addition to the SVO PAC's endorsement, Mahan's other current key endorsements include Santa Clara

County Assessor Larry Stone, San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo, San Jose Vice Mayor Chappie Jones, Councilmember Lan Diep, Councilmember Pam Foley, and former San Jose Mayors Chuck Reed, Tom McEnery and Ron Gonzales.

"With just under six months still left until

the March 2020 primary, Matt has already secured support from numerous San Jose leaders and District 10 community members. This is a testament to his ability to deliver results through building a diverse coalition of stakeholders throughout San Jose" said Anil Babbar, SVO PAC Chair.

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#### Sales tax hike considered for 2020 ballot

Santa Clara County Supervisor Cindy Chavez wants her board colleagues to agree on placing a 5/8-cent sales tax increase on the November 2020 ballot.

A 5/8-cent increase would raise the countywide sales tax from 9% to 9.625%. Chavez wants the extra money for increase health care and social services.

The Board of Supervisors have agreed to consider Chavez's proposal at its Sept. 10 meeting. An estimated \$250 million a year would be added to the budget if at least four of the supervisors choose to put the proposed tax on the ballot and voters approve it.

The County budget has grown from \$4.9 billion to \$8.1 billion in the last five years. This year's budget is 15.6 percent larger than the previous year's and includes an almost 10 percent increase in the county workforce.

#### Largest antique auto show in the west to be held at History Park

The 19th annual Antique Autos in History Park will take place on Sunday, September 22, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The living history day event is presented by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club and History San Jose, This event fills History Park (635 Phelan Ave., San Jose) with period-correct pre-1946 vehicles, fire equipment, bicycles and motorcycles.

In addition, there will be displays of early crafts and antique collectibles, a Dixieland band, singers, dancers, blacksmith shop demos, trolley rides, History San Jose Open Houses, kids activities, food and more.

Admission to the event is \$5 (3 yrs +) and free for participants and HSJ members. For more information, contact Peder Jorgensen at pederjorgensen51@gmail.com or call (408) 358-3398 or contact Allan Greenberg at allang@pacbell.net or call (408) 997-0879.

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# Valley Currents

**cur** | **rent** (adj.) *Present, topical, timely, newsworthy*. (n.) *Movement in a definite direction, a flow.* 

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

he 11th annual Hot San Jose Nights 2019, a huge family fun classic car show and airplane show which will be held on September 7, 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Reid-Hillview Airport.

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.

**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 pubic to try out, but first, don't miss the show.

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

Also featured at this year's event is 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, including robotics demonstrations. **Music** 

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 pm. Parking and admission is free.



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.



Brenda Paz, Marilyn model from Purple Creations, poses at a previous year's "Hot San Jose Nights" event. Photos by Ken Ta



A Blackhawk helicopter from the Air National Guard.

# Happy Hollow offers a Senior Safari

Who says Happy Hollow is just for kids? Adults age 50+ are invited to get some fresh air and exercise while enjoying:

- Early entry into the park and zoo
- Animal meet-and-greets
- Zookeeper chats
- 10,000-step challenge
- Variety of activities

• Healthy breakfasts available for purchase Admission and parking are free if you arrive before 10 a.m., and you're welcome to stay after gates open to the public on Sept. 26 and Oct. 24.

Offerings change monthly, so there's always something new to do or see!

For more information, visit happyhollow. org/seniorsafari.



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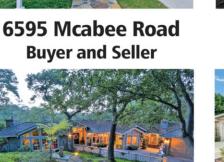




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(i) Schwab US Broad Market ETF (SCHB) return from January 1, 2019 thru Aug 20, 2019.



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Sean and his family have lived in Almaden for 10 years. He has an MBA from Berkeley, is a CPA and has over 20 years of finance experience. Prior to starting Hathaway Financial he led the Global Treasury team at Netflix charged with forecasting and managing Cash, Investments, Insurance and Risk Management. He also chaired the 401k committee and administered the Stock Plan and all employee benefit programs.

#### 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee **REPORT TO THE PUBLIC** Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018)

2000 Measure A Fiscal Year 2018	VTA delivers transportation solutions critical to the vitality, prosperity and quality of life for all who live, work, study or play in Santa Clara County. In November 2000, Santa Clara County voters approved Measure A, a 30-year half-cent sales tax devoted to specific public transit capital improvement projects and operations. Tax collection began in mid-2006, making FY 2018 the 12th year of the 30-year program.		
2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee Finding	Santa Clara County voters entrusted the Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC), comprised of fellow community members, with overseeing Measure A expenditures to ensure sales tax dollars are spent as intended by the ballot. After thorough and careful consideration: It is the conclusion of the CWC that, for the period of FY 2018, 2000 Measure A tax dollars were spent in accordance with the intent of the measure.		
FY 2018 Key Accomplishments	<ul> <li>Extending BART to the Silicon Valley cities of Milpitas, San Jose and Santa Clara. Construction for the two stations and parking structures for BART Silicon Valley Phase I was completed and systems integration testing is underway. Revenue service is projected by the end of 2019. In FY 2018, the VTA Board of Directors certified Phase II's Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, approved a single-bore tunneling methodology, and approved two station options. Downtown San Jose West and Diridon Station North. Phase II also received a Record of Decision from the Federal Transit Administration, the first required step to seek federal funding.</li> <li>Improving Bus Service in Major Corridors. The Alum Rock Santa Clara Bus Rapid Transit had its first complete year of operation in FY 2018. Curb side shelters will be installed to enhance customer experience.</li> <li>Extending Light Rail from Downtown San Jose to the East Valley. Final engineering was advanced for the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector Project (EBRC) in FY 2018. The supplemental environmental report incorporating aerial alignment and expressway geometry improvements was adopted in June 2019.</li> </ul>		
FY 2018 2000 Measure A Program Expenditures	FY 2018 Total Program Expenditures* (in millions) Airport People Mover \$0.0 BART SiliconValley BART S		
Where to find additional information about the 2000 Measure A and the CWC	Additional 2000 Measure A information is available on the VTA website: CWC's Measure A FY 2018 Benefits and Key Achievements ( <i>http://bit.ly/cwc-achievements-fy18</i> ) and Comprehensive Annual Report ( <i>http://bit.ly/cwc-report-fy2018</i> ). Printed copies of select Measure A and CWC reports are available at libraries and other public buildings throughout the county, and at the VTA Offices at 3331 N. First Street, San Jose, CA, Building B Lobby.		
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San Francisco 49er defensive player **Ian Williams**, Director of Libraries for city of San Jose **Jill Bourne** and 49er Mascot **Sourdough Sam** introduce the new San Francisco 49er library card.

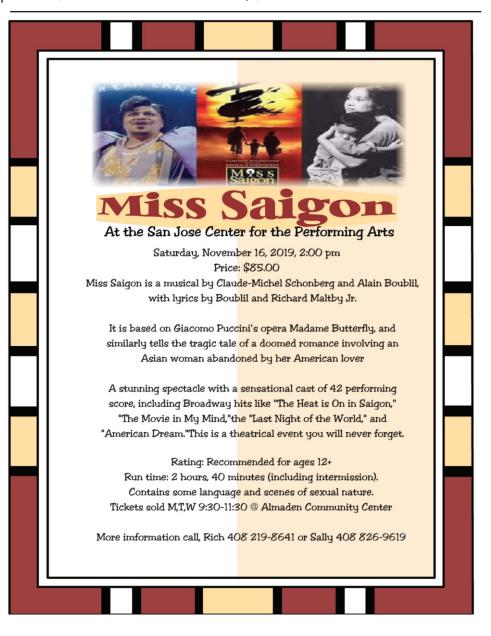
#### The first-ever 49ers Library Card available at SJ Libraries

S an Jose Public Library members will have access to a new and exclusive 49ers library card design.

The first-ever 49ers library card design was officially introduced and made available to the public on Tuesday, August 27.

To celebrate their partnership, the San Jose Public Library (SJPL) and the San Francisco 49ers invited more than 50 students from Grant Elementary School to join them for a special storytime presented by former 49ers defensive lineman, Ian Williams, and mascot, Sourdough Sam. The 49ers and SJPL also provided giveaways for these students to enjoy. The public is invited to visit any of SJPL's 25-locations to pick up a free 49ers card by becoming a member of their San Jose Public Library, or replacing their current design with the new card.

Partnering with organizations, such as the 49ers, allows the San Jose Public Library to further boost awareness, connect and engage with community members to ensure library programs, services and resources are being accessed by people of all ages and backgrounds.





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#### 742 Canoas Creek Circle Foothill and City Light Views

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#### The Fall is a Great Time to Sell!



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#### Times Community News



# **SR 85 HOV Lane - finally on the move**

In 2015, following opposition to

along the 85 corridor,

instead of moving for-

ward with express

lanes immediately,

the VTA voted to per-

form another study -

despite existing stud-

ies that already justi-

fied the need for the

addition of a lane in

each direction on

Highway 85. Now,

after several more

years and undertak-

ing this expensive

study, we've come to

the same conclusion:

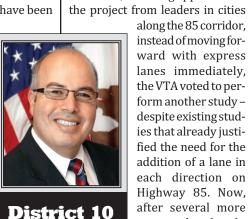
for Highway 85.

By Johnny Khamis Special to the Times hose of you who have been following my

efforts to relieve traffic congestion along the clogged Highway 85 corridor will know that my former colleague, Don Rocha, and I got unanimous support from the City Council to advocate for the SR 85 Express Lane/ High Occupancy Vehicle Lane (HOV) project back in 2014. I'm excited to re-

port that the Highway 85 Policy Advisory

Board, of which I am a member, has finally voted to recommend to VTA that we move forward with construction of new express lanes



Report

new HOV lanes will help relieve an overcrowded Highway 85. While the lanes are being recommended as bus-only lanes, I'm looking forward to their com-

pletion so they may begin to provide some relief to the congestion on Highway 85.

Thanks to voter approval of the 2016 Measure B transportation tax, \$350 million was designated specifically for express lanes. When I served on the VTA Board, I worked to ensure that this was included in the spending plan for Measure B.

What I said back then is even truer today: traffic congestion is bad for workers, bad for our economy, and bad for the environment. Adding lanes to the wide median of SR 85 is an easy way to relieve terrible congestion while avoiding the negative effects typically involved with widening a highway.

I am looking forward to fewer commute delays, improved air quality, and less stress once the project and other transportation improvements are implemented.

#### **Delta Air Lines contributes** \$25,000 to 2019 YMCA of Silicon Valley Summer **Learning Programs**

Thanks to a generous \$25,000 sponsorship from Delta Air Lines supporting YMCA of Silicon Valley's Summer Learning Program, San Jose youth have had a safe place to continue learning this summer.

Delta's support helps prevent summer learning loss and provide reading and enrichment to the 117 youth who have participated in the 2019 YMCA Summer Learning Program at Rocketship Los Suenos Academy in San Jose.

The YMCA Summer Learning Program is designed to mitigate summer learning loss and improve literacy skills for low-income first through third grade students who are reading below grade level.

During the last three years, Delta has partnered with

the YMCA of Silicon Valley to help close the academic achievement gap for Silicon Valley youth through YMCA after school and summer programs that improve students' educational readiness, engagement and outcomes, while helping them grow emotionally and physically, too.

When school is out for the summer, many children struggle to access educational and enrichment opportunities. The Y's Summer Learning Program is part of an ongoing effort to close the academic achievement gap and ensure that all students have a safe and enriching environment to be in when school is out. Evidence-based research has shown that low-income students lose 2.5 to 3 months of learning each summer and this is cumulative over their school career. This program enables students to avoid falling further behind over the summer and even catch up to their peers performing at grade level by the start of the next school year. Additionally, studies show that getting kids to read at grade level by third grade significantly improves their likelihood of completing high school.



# Join the fun! Help pick up litter.

Saturday September 21st

#### 9 a.m. to noon

For more information: www.cleanacreek.org volunteer@valleywater.org





 $\sim$  The Almaden Valley Women's Club Presents  $\sim$ 

THE 43<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL ALMADEN VALLEY



**SUNDAY** September 15 10am to 6pm ALMADEN LAKE PARK **SAN JOSE** 

#### Main Stage Entertainment:

10:00 am	Welcome to the Festival – Lisa Boissier Star Spangled Banner – Katie Stahl
10:10 am	Team-M Taekwondo
10:25 am	Aerial Tumbling & AcroGymnastics
10:40 am	Leland High School Dance Team
10:55 am	Almaden Spirit Athletics Cheer & Dance
11:05 am	Willow Glen High School Spirit Squad
11:15 am	Big Mike & the HartBeats
12:05 pm	AVWC & District 10 Councilmember Johnny Khamis

12:15 pm Second Chance 12:45 pm Jokers & Thieves 1:35 pm ANNOUNCEMENTS 2:05 pm **Dead Poser's Society** 2:55 pm Angelique Lucero 3:25 pm Eastside Funk 4:15 pm Lavender Fields Band 4:45 pm ReknRoad 5:30 pm Kat Caisley



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#### **Entertainment For Kids** of All Ages Including:

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#### Kid's Fun Zone Stage

10:30 <mark>am</mark>	Willow Glen HS Spirit Squad	
10:45 am	Katie Stahl	
11:15 am	Leland High Robotics Demonstration	
12:00 pm	The Little Gym of San Jose	
12:30 pm	Z&D	
1:00 to 1:45 pm Sharkie will be in the Kid Zone		
1:15 pm	Studio Sharise	
1:45 pm	Stevie Dale	
2:25 pm	USA Shaolin Kungfu Martial Arts	
3:00 pm	Kat Caisley	

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#### **Our Mission**

The Almaden Valley Women's Club was founded in 1965. The purpose of our non-profit organization is to stimulate, by the active participation of each member, interest in the social, civic, and cultural improvement of our community. Please visit almadenwomen.org for membership info.

#### **2019 Festival Glasses**

The Almaden Valley Women's Club is celebrating the 43rd Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival with unique wine and beer glasses that feature the 2019 Festival Logo. We thank our generous sponsors Jackie Jones/Coldwell Banker and Skips' Tire & Auto Center for this year's wine and beer glasses. The AVWC appreciates their generous support year after year.

#### Silent Auction Tent





Tent, offering one of a kind art items, collectables and exciting trip packages. Stroll through our Silent Auction tent, located near the main entertainment stage, to bid on an art treasure or fun trip for yourself or someone special!



#### 2019

**Festival Art** JoJojiCreations products are hand generated by Kyle and his mom, Jo. Kyle is a highfunctioning autistic young man. He started sewing to earn money each week. His favorite thing to do is to

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#### Welcome to the 43rd Annual **Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival!**

The Almaden Valley Women's Club is pleased to bring you the 43rd Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival. Our dedicated team, made up entirely of volunteers, has been working hard to plan this fun family-oriented annual event which showcases our

community spirt and mobilizes its talent to raise funds to support community needs within San Jose and Almaden Valley. From the first Jaws of Life purchased with Festival Proceeds and given to the Almaden Fire Station in 1976 to the 27 charitable grants and six scholarships awarded from the 2018 Festival proceeds, these contributions are made possible by the volunteers, vendors, entertainers, corporate sponsors, and most importantly all of you, the community members who attend the festival!

We want to specially thank the City of San Jose and the Almaden Lake Park Staff for partnering with us to make the Festival a success. We would also like to give a personal thank you to the City of San Jose Cultural Affairs Department for their generous grant.

It takes hard work and lots of time from each member of the Almaden Valley Women's club to put on one of the best festivals in San Jose. I thank each of these wonderful ladies for their support and dedication.



Lisa Boissier, 2019 Festival Chair



#### **Back Row: pictured left to right**

Sharon Danaher (white	shirt)Artists
Kim Nelson	Glasses
Jenny Teixeira	Entertainment
Kristen Epolite	Kid-Zone
Carina Beal	Equipment
Rebecca Stene	Treasurer
Dawn Adams (white shi	rt) VIP Lunch
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Joy Bender	. Scheduling
Becky Trovato	. Corporate Sponsors

Front Row: pictured left to right		
Sandy Seaman (black shirt)	After Festival Dinner	
Stephanie Donaldson	Volunteers	
Andreana Popovich	Information & Logo	
Lisa Boissier	Festival Chair	
Jennifer Zenk	Food	
Alfreda Eghan	Beverages	
Beth Swartz (black shirt)	Parking/Electricity/	
	Recycling/Publicity	
Donna Fivecoat	Silent Auction	



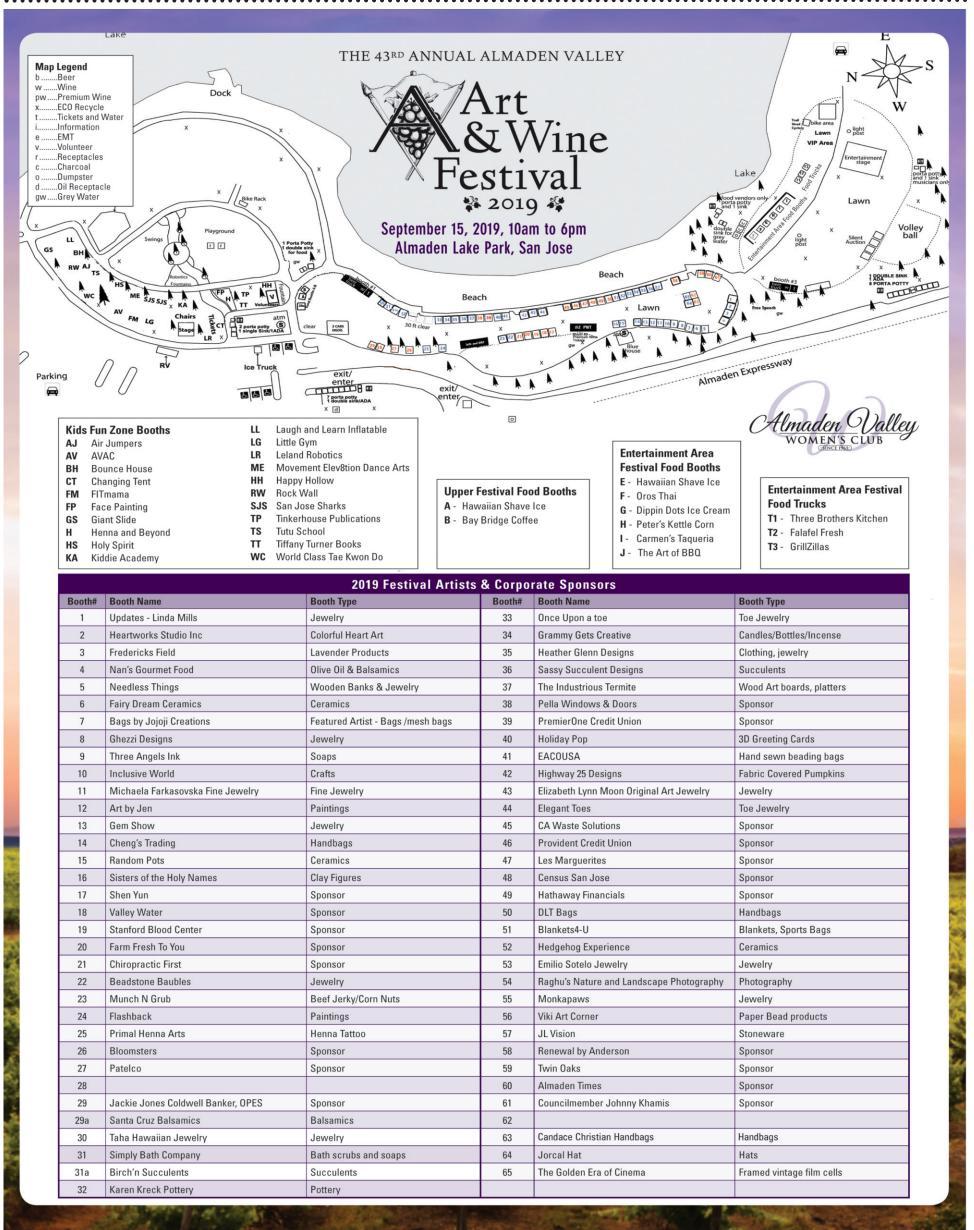
The 2019 Scholarship Award Winners: (L to R) Tushar Lakshminarayanan, Sergio Camacho, Capriana Jiang, Bhargavi Gabriella, Katlyn Barbaccia, Megan Shieh



The 2019 Logo Design Winners: (L to R) Rebecca lofis, Kyle Lai, Spencer Dyson (winner), Heeju Nam, Megan Pham

#### In Memoriam

The AVWC remembers Yvette Fodor Walsh, long-time active member of the Almaden Valley Women's Club, described often as "Gracious, Amazing and Lovely", who passed away in July of 2019.





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#### **Festival**

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Festival Chair Lisa Boissier. "These are our community's kids. It shows how vibrant and active members of our community are. Families, parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles come to see their kids perform and enjoy the art, food and wine, and Kid's Fun Zone. It gives it a real community feel. It's what we're all here for; our friends, neighbors and kids. We have a lot of talented kids, musicians, artists, and wine-makers."

The festival's Kid's Fun Zone includes a rock-climbing wall, flyhigh jumpers, giant slide, bounce houses, face painting, art projects, and a Children's Stage. Leland Robotics, Little Gym, and Shaolin Kungfu Martial Arts will be performing and SJ Sharkie will be making an appearance.

"We're hoping to bring out the community and make it a nice day to reconnect after summer," says Teixeira. "With its pumpkins, sunflowers, and candles, it's always been a great way to kick off the fall."

For Almaden Valley Women's Club members, watching people enjoy themselves is the highlight of their day, making all of their hard work worthwhile. "It's such a rewarding experience, we sign up to do it again and again," says Teixeira. "Some of us have done it for 15 or 20 years. Our motto is, 'Friendship through Service,' and it's really the case. We work side by side to accomplish something great together."

In addition to planning and hosting the festival, members attend social events and meetings with guest speakers. "We have a great time coming together and we also bring friends into it," says Teixeira. Those who live and/or work in the 95118, 95120, and 95123 ZIP codes are eligible to join the Women's Club. All of the festival's proceeds go back into the community. Money from the very first festival went towards purchasing the jaws of life for the Almaden fire station, which was used to rescue a teenager from a car accident on Almaden Expressway.

The Almaden Art and Wine Festival is the signature fundraiser of the Almaden Valley Woman's Club. Half of the festival's proceeds benefit community non-profits, and the other half provides merit-based scholarships to deserving students. Kaitlyn Barbaccia, Sergio Camacho, Bhargavi Gabriella, Capriana Jiang, Tushar Lakshminarayanan, and Megan Shieh are this year's scholarship award winners.

About 25 community organizations received grants last year, ranging from counseling services to women's shelters and local schools. Some recipients include: Almaden Valley Counseling Services, Castillero Middle School, Jake's Wish Dog Rescue, Leland High School, Live Oak Adult Day Services, Loaves & Fishes, Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence, Pioneer High School, Respite and Research for Alzheimers, and Stroke Awareness.

"Giving back is the most rewarding part," says Teixeira. "The Women's Club is a great support group and a lot of fun."

"Every single person in the club is dedicated to the community," says Boissier. "It takes hard work and lots of time from each member... to put on one of the best festivals in San Jose. We put this on as a team. It's challenging, but when it all comes together, it's joyful. There's just this great sense of satisfaction that we're doing something productive and helpful for the community. It's gratifying."

The festival, which costs \$100,000 to run, wouldn't be possible without sponsorship. Last year, the festival received corporate sponsorship of \$54,000 and in-kind donations valued at

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\$50,000. About \$50,000 was raised from the festival, largely from wine and beer sales, as well as artists and vendors fees. "We try to minimize costs and maximize donations," says Boissier. "We're very grateful for the bands that donate their time."

Each year, the Women's Club must reapply for a grant from the City of San Jose's Office of Cultural Affairs. This year, they were fortunate to receive a grant of \$20,000 from the City. Other platinum sponsors include: Jackie Jones/Coldwell Banker, Skip's Tire and Auto Repair Centers, Almaden Times, San Jose Giants, KLIV 1590, KRTY 95.3, Del Grande Dealer Group, and Bloomster's, Many other sponsors reflect community-based businesses, such as: Almaden Valley Nursery, Amato's Pizzeria, Ana's Bakery, and Posh Bagels.

"We could not put on the festival without the support of our Corporate Sponsors and a generous grant from the City of San Jose Cultural Affairs," says Boissier. "We have many Corporate Sponsors that come back year after year to support us, such as Jackie Jones, Skip's Tires, and Amato's Pizzeria, who are all sponsors for our commemorative glasses." Each year, local students submit logo designs to the Women's Club, which also decorate souvenir glasses and promote the festival. This year's chosen design, created by Spencer Dyson, features an "A" and a "V" for Almaden Valley, paint brushes, wine grapes, and Mt. Umunhum. The four finalists are: Kyle Lai, Rebecca Lofis, Heeju Nam, and Megan Pham. The winner is awarded \$200, 2nd place \$150, 3rd place \$100, 4th place \$75, and 5th place \$50.

Bloomster's, known for distributing its iconic sunflowers from its booth, also decorates the VIP area and corporate sponsor booths. The first year Boissier and her family attended the festival, her daughter, then elementary-school age, was delighted to receive a sunflower. She never forgot that and today, a photo she took at age 14 of a sunflower set against a blue sky decorates the festival ads and posters.

"Just being able to sit in the park from any vantage point and look over at the lake or at Mt. Umunhum... it's gorgeous," says Boissier. "It's such a beautiful setting and in our own backyard. I can't think of a better place for our festival. It's a great celebration. I hope it will be a lot of fun."

#### Symphony Silicon Valley opens 17th season with Romeo & Juliet

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Romeo & Juliet & Sibelius on Saturday, October 6 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, October 7 at 2:30 p.m. at the California Theatre, 355 South First Street, San Jose.

Internationally renowned Maestra JoAnn Falletta makes her first appearance on the Symphony's podium with a program that puts the orchestra on full display. Barber's sparkling overture introduces the concert, followed by Falletta's own selections from Prokofiev's passionate masterpiece.

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The Program:

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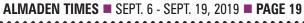
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Speechless will feature new and original compositions, invented instruments and unexpected situations alongside iconic Blue Man Group moments based in joy, art, music, comedy, social commentary and profound absurdity.

> Rating: Recommended for ages 5+ Run time: 1 hour, 45 minutes with no intermission Strobe lights will be used at this performance.

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