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Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival: Fun for all ages

By **Lorraine Gabbert**
Senior Staff Writer

Sunday morning at Almaden Lake Park, everything stands ready. Volunteers and vendors man their posts inside their quintessential white tents. Exhibition teams practice their drills beside the main stage as excitement ripples through the crowd.

“Is everybody here ready to see some great performances from these kids?” asks Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival Chair Lisa Boissier. She’s answered by enthusiastic applause. “Are you ready for some great food, some great wine, and some great art!?” she says. “Have a great day and thank you for coming to support this charity

fundraiser.”

Team-M Taekwondo’s demonstration team soon got everyone’s blood pumping. Harnessing their chi and inner strength, students shout before breaking boards and performing acrobatics, culminating in precise movements. In one dramatic sequence, blindfolded students, led by the ring of a bell, flipped through the air to decimate red roses, sending petals flying.

Through powerful stances, kicks, and explosive, synchronized movements, USA Shaolin Kung Fu Zen Academy harnesses the fighting spirit of Shaolin warriors with their swords, staves, and invisible fans (a beautiful ballet and surprise attack).

Aerial Tumbling and Acrogymnastics (ATA) students fly through the air and twist into Cirque du



Back row (l to r): **Darwin** and **Calvin Fajardo**; front row (l to r): **Savannah** and **Sydney Vincent**. “It’s wonderful,” says the girls’ father Justin Vincent. “The girls have a great time.” “It’s our first time here,” says the boys’ father, Darwin Fajardo. “Hanging around here with the families has been great.” *Photos by Lorraine Gabbert*

Soleil like poses, balanced upon each other’s shoulders. Utilizing skills, gymnastics, and dance, their

performances are powerful and captivating.

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Initiatives introduced to build backyard cottages

Abodu Corp. will rapidly install a backyard home in two weeks

By **William Bellou**
Publisher

The mayor recently unveiled a series of initiatives that he says would shorten the time and lower the cost to build a backyard home (Accessory Dwelling Units – ADU) by streamlining San Jose’s application process.

“We all know that we are in a housing crisis,” Liccardo said. “We are struggling mightily to get more rent restricted apartments built. We are not going to solve this crisis \$650,000 at a time—that’s the cost to build a single apartment. We have to find ways to bend the cost curve.”

San Jose lawmakers hope that as a result



Mayor Liccardo, council colleagues and the City of San Jose announce a new portal - Friendliest ADU City.

of the initiatives, more people will build backyard cottages. The city’s goal is to add 25,000 units—10,000 of them below-market-rate—to the city’s housing units by 2022. ADU construction has been prioritized largely because it’s a potentially cheaper, faster way to boost the number of housing units.

To make the process as easy as possible, the city has created an online portal and a checklist to educate homeowners about ADUs and the regulatory requirements to build them. Liccardo said a full-time employee, Sarah Shull, will help homeowners applying for an ADU permit. Officials estimate that there’s room to build as many as 160,000 such backyard homes in San Jose.

ADU Online Portal

The new online portal asks San Jose *See COTTAGES, page 16*

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Almaden Valley is listed as the 10th highest household income (\$171,908) for the State of California.

Higher incomes bring more money for school districts, local government services, and more consumer spending for local businesses.

To view the report, visit: united-stateszipcodes.org/rankings/zips-in-ca/median_household_income

Ten zip codes with the highest household income:

1. 94027 (Atherton, CA) - \$250,001
2. 94024 (Los Altos, CA) - \$220,970
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8. 95030 (Los Gatos, CA) - \$180,222
9. 95070 (Saratoga, CA) - \$173,739
10. 95120 (San Jose, CA) - \$171,908

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Matt Mahan kicks off city council campaign at a rally attended by 200 supporters

Matt Mahan kicked off his campaign for San Jose City Council District 10 with more than 200 community supporters at a rally at Amato Pizzeria in Almaden on September 14.

Mahan was joined by San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and other community leaders that support his independent leadership to improve every neighborhood in District 10. "I support Mahan's mission to improve San Jose by empowering every single neighborhood," Liccardo said.

Mahan was introduced by neighborhood leaders Roxanne and Greg Koopman. Also in attendance were Councilmember Johnny Khamis, former Councilmember Nancy Pyle, and Sierra Club Guadalupe Regional Chair Dave Poeschel.

"I know we can make San Jose an even stronger community — and that starts with great neighborhoods," Mahan said. "By empowering our neighborhoods so City Hall hears from us — not the special interests with the loudest voices — we can build a safer, more affordable and liv-

able community," said Mahan.

Mahan is a member of the Almaden Valley Community Association, the D10 Leadership Coalition, the City's Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission, and helped found the Friends of Guadalupe Oak Grove Park organization. Mahan is also co-founder and former CEO of Brigade, a nonpartisan technology platform that empowers voters to become informed, discuss, and advocate on civic issues that matter most to them.

Almaden Valley residents mull the future of downtown San Jose

By Katie Lauer

Article courtesy of San José Spotlight

Despite its distance from the city's downtown core, Almaden Valley and its residents will experience far-reaching impacts from massive plans for downtown redevelopment — both in quality of life and tax dollars.

A panel of local nonprofit and development leaders met with about 50 residents of Almaden Valley on Monday to discuss the future of downtown San Jose during a meeting hosted by the Almaden Valley Community Association.

The speakers included Gary Dillabough, founder of Urban Community, which has purchased 21 parcels of downtown land, Teresa Alvarado, the San Jose Director of local urban planning research organization SPUR, and Josh Burroughs, the COO and SVP of development for real estate development fund Urban Catalyst.

Hosted by the Almaden Valley Community Association, the two-hour discussion led by the association's planning and zoning chair Matt Mahan started broadly: what can be expected



From left, Matt Mahan, Gary Dillabough, Teresa Alvarado and Josh Burroughs discussed updates on downtown development in Almaden Valley Monday night. Photo by Katie Lauer

in a decade?

Burroughs answered by focusing on pure density, saying that he wants an additional 100,000 people within the downtown core daily at that point in time. "That's 100,000 people to frequent our small businesses, restaurants, the-

aters, museums or farmers markets," Burroughs said. "When you have that, people change everything."

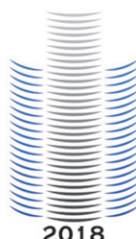
Alvarado agreed that more people living in downtown can create a dynamic atmosphere, See DOWNTOWN, page 10

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Thank you Almaden Valley Women's Club for hosting *The Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival*. A great community event!

We had fun sponsoring the event and meeting many neighbors. We played a couples-game with some folks, asking them:

- When will you retire?
- What % of your kids' college will you pay for?
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Gift for Teens to assemble 1200 complementary gift bags

By **Jan Giroux**
Special to the Times

Gifts for Teens, a local non-profit, is now in its 22nd year giving back to South Bay homeless and low-income teens.

Active committee members, many whom are residents of Almaden Valley, work yearlong to collect donations, work with community tech organizations and high schools for donation drives and purchase useful and fun gifts to fill holiday gift bags.

Gifts for Teens goal this year is to fill 1,200 bags which are distributed to five community agencies for their clients. For many of the teens, this will be the only present received over the holiday. More importantly, these gift bags motivate teens to connect with services within the

agencies who offer counseling, health care, job training and educational programs.

This year the gift bag assembly dates are December 4-16, which include Saturday shifts. Shifts are from 9 a.m. -12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Individuals and families are welcome. Interested volunteers can contact Kathy@gifts4teens.org. For groups contact Cheryl@gifts4teens.org.

Urgently needed is a work site for the gift bag assembly. Working space needs are 6,000 square feet, parking and available from Dec. 1-16. Contact Elaine@gifts4teens.org for potential work sites.

To learn more about Gifts for Teens visit: www.gifts4teens.org.



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At the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts

Saturday, November 16, 2019, 2:00 pm
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Miss Saigon is a musical by Claude-Michel Schonberg and Alain Boublil, with lyrics by Boublil and Richard Maltby Jr.

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The blessings are scheduled on Saturday, October 5th at 5 p.m. at the historic church, in New Almaden (21800 Bertram Road); and at 12 noon on Sunday, October 6, at 20101 McKean Road, Almaden Valley.

All pets, big or small, are invited to receive a special blessing said a spokesperson for Saint Anthony's. "Our animals are a special part of our families, so we want them to be healthy, loving and safe!"

This annual tradition of the Blessing of the Animals is celebrated on or around the Feast Day of Saint Francis of Assisi, which is on October 4.

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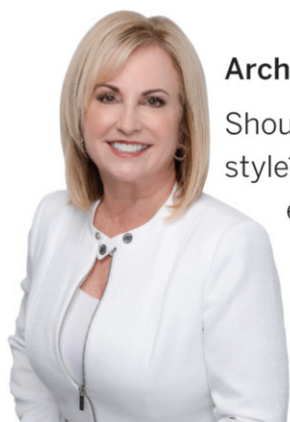
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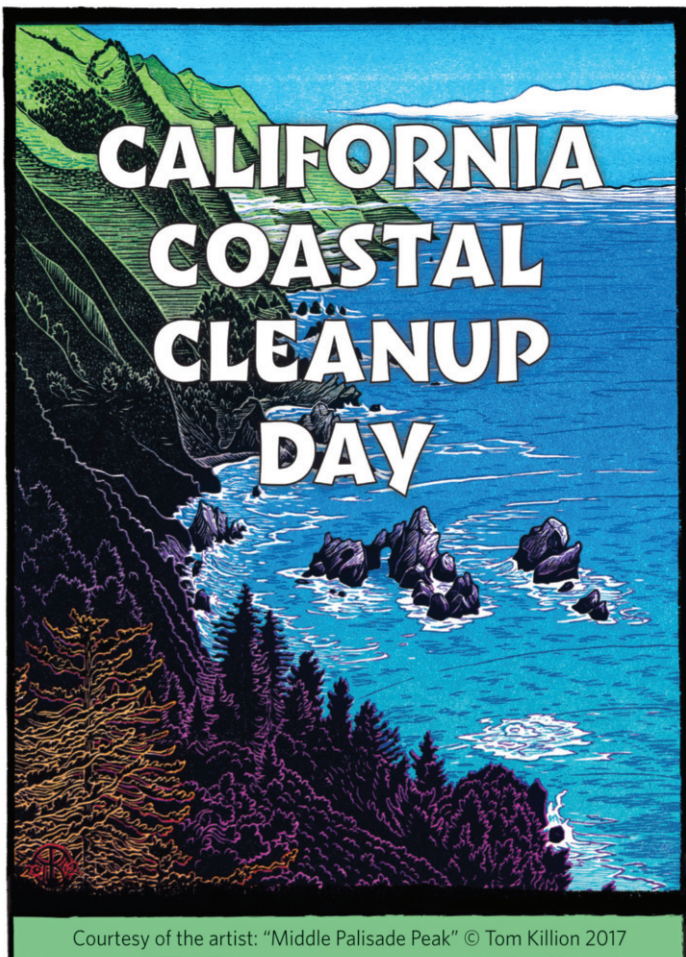
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Former Leland High Student sues SJUSD for allegedly mishandling her sexual assault claim

Plaintiff says the boy who assaulted her went on to attack another student

San Jose Unified School District is being sued by a former Leland High School student for allegedly mishandling her sexual assault claim.

The anonymous plaintiff, "Jane L.C. Doe," who attended Leland and Pioneer high schools in 2017 filed the civil case in Santa Clara County Superior Court. The lawsuit accuses district officials of negligence and intentionally inflicting emotional distress after she reported being sexually assaulted by a classmate.

According to the lawsuit, in September 2017, Doe was molested by a classmate at a mutual friend's house. The following month, Doe says she became the "target of ongoing harassment, bullying and intimidation by the assailant and his friends."

Assistant Principal Mary Ann Dougherty called Doe into her office after being alerted to the incident. Dougherty allegedly refused to let

Doe bring a parent. There was a police officer present, but no attorney was present. According to the lawsuit, "Dougherty allegedly demanded that the plaintiff discuss the sexual assault with her and the police officer, at which time Dougherty allegedly refused to allow plaintiff's mother to be present, despite plaintiff allegedly requesting her presence, and allegedly proceeded to ask accusatory questions and infer that plaintiff was not remembering things accurately, that she was not sexually assaulted and/or that she had brought the sexual assault upon herself."

Doe subsequently told the vice principal that the alleged assailant took photographs and video of her naked body without her permission. When the victim told that part to Dougherty, according to the lawsuit, the vice principal allegedly responded by admonishing the girl.

After that meeting, Doe says the assistant principal did nothing to prevent the accused assailant and his friends from continuing to harass her.

"The assailant and his friends remained in plaintiff's classes, continued to attend classes without

repercussions, and were allowed access to their phones and the school's Wi-Fi networks all while continuing to sexually harass, bully and intimidate plaintiff at school," according to the lawsuit, "and any actions that Dougherty did take only resulted in additional harassment, bullying and intimidation."

Male student arrested

The male student accused of attacking Doe allegedly sexually assaulted yet another Leland High classmate in November 2017. The lawsuit says the boy was arrested on campus on Feb. 14, 2018, for both assaults.

One of the lawyers representing Doe said that the school district allegedly did not enforce policies and procedures in place to protect its students who report sexual assaults, sexual harassment and/or bullying.

Lili Smith, spokesperson for the school district said, "I can assure the entire community that we take any allegations of employee misconduct very seriously and we vigorously protect the safety and well-being of our students."

The parties are scheduled for further case management in December.

Downtown

Continued from page 4

but emphasized that having that investment in the city's urban core does not mean the end of suburban neighborhoods like Almaden Valley.

"I think it's about giving a compliment to the city and giving options for residents," Alvarado said. "Downtown San Jose is the downtown for the entire city. How do we create a space that invites us all to be part of it, makes us feel safe and makes us feel like we're doing something fun and exciting?"

This is a concept of development that Dillabough said is not new around the world, but it's "just something that we missed here."

Undoubtedly, Dillabough said Google's proposed plans for a megacampus in the heart of downtown plays a major role in that dialogue. Dillabough said he lives near Stanford in Menlo Park, and the large presence of residents there has spurred growth in areas like medical care and roads.

"You don't have to be afraid of these bigger companies, we just have to hold them accountable with milestones that we can track," Dillabough said, adding that he thinks Google has learned from its experience in Mountain View.

Alvarado agreed, citing her time



Almaden Valley residents listened to updates on downtown San Jose development Monday night. *Photo by Katie Lauer*

with the city's community engagement task force which studied development plans around Diridon Station, where Google plans to set up shop.

"Google has been so engaged and really has been part of co-creating a vision for their downtown developments," she said. "They understand the scale and the impact that they're going to make it downtown. I've been really impressed at how they come to the conversation. It isn't just for them."

Attendees also received updates about ongoing efforts to improve public transit systems in downtown San Jose, financially support the growth of arts and culture amenities, "build up" to accommodate more residents, create sustainable, environmentally responsible buildings and engage the communities that are already down-

town, such as San Jose State University.

One resident asked how any of these changes could benefit the Almaden Valley community.

Citing her own time living in and out of the Valley, Alvarado said cities change every day and that's how services are brought to all.

"Everyone wants to have increased services, whether it's garbage pickup, no potholes, or safer neighborhoods," Alvarado added. "The money to pay for those increased services has to come from somewhere else, outside of just taxing yourself. It comes from new taxes from new real estate projects, the money those new employees bring to the city and sales taxes. We all create change in this city."

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Festival

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Leland High School Cheer Team, Leland High School Dance Team, and Willow Glen High School Spirit Squad bring energy, precision, and poise to the festival. Their joy is evident as they perform their choreographed routines.

Almaden Spirit Athletics cheer and hip-hop teams show off their gymnastic skills with non-stop action. Grouped by gemstone named teams, their determination and exuberance shines.

At the Children's Stage, Little Gym of San Jose, Leland High School Robotics Team, Z&D, Studio Sharise, and Stevie Dale entertain young and old alike.

"We try to bring in all the local schools, artists, and bands," says Festival Entertainment Chair Jenny Teixeira. "And the kids' performances bring in their families and grandparents. It feels good seeing the smiling faces of parents and everyone having a good time together."

"We always look forward to attending the festival," says ATA Team Manager Nancy Davis. "Our athletes have a chance to really shine, some for the first time! Seeing their smiling faces after they run their routines...means they feel great about themselves and have gained an enormous sense of self-accomplishment."

Councilmember Johnny Khamis is impressed with the longevity of the Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival, as well as the effort the Almaden Valley Women's Club puts into it. "This is one of the most generous and long lasting events in the city," he says, "so we have to support them. This is a fantastic event these ladies put on and all of the proceeds go to charities around the city."

"I think a lot of our first year club members are surprised at just how much work it requires," says Boissier, "but it is sure amazing to see them all rally and get the job done. Working on something like this as a team brings you closer together, and knowing it benefits many good groups and causes is very gratifying."

"Thank you so much for coming out and enjoying this beautiful day with us," says Festival Entertainment Chair Jenny Teixeira addressing the audience. "I hope you're getting around to our artists, silent auction, and food trucks. Thank you all for helping support local schools and community organizations. Thanks for supporting us."

Next, the bands take the stage, starting with Big Mike & the Hartbeats' pop, rock, and swing band. Bringing the fun, they jump in the air and spin around while playing, entertaining the crowd. They are followed by Second Chance, Jokers and Thieves, Dead Poser's Society, Angelique Lucero, Eastside Funk, Lavender Fields Band, ReknRoad, and Kat Caisley.

"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

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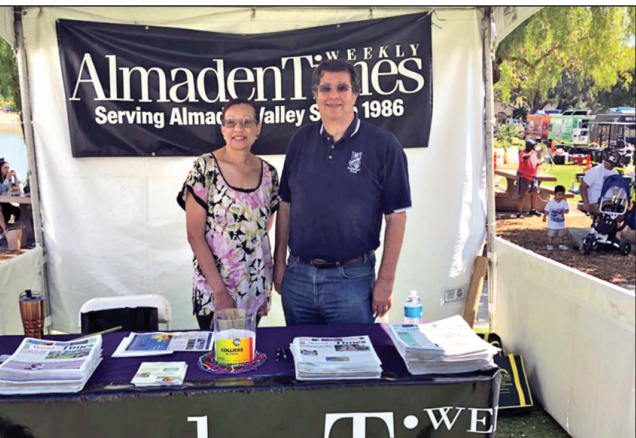


Above left: Premier 1 was a major sponsor for the Almaden Art & Wine Festival. Pictured (l to r) are **Monique Neider, Mina Rojas, and Lucy Hales**. Above right: **Sean and Lorena Hathaway** presented Hathaway Financial, a major Corporate Sponsor for this year's Almaden Art & Wine Festival. *Photos by William Bellou*



Vendors sold creative artwork throughout the day. *Photo by Lorraine Gabbert*

Above: Aerial Tumbling & AcroGymnastics. Below: **Brigitte Jones** and Almaden Times publisher **William Bellou** share some good news. *Photos by Lorriane Gabbert*



Almaden Spirit Athletics put on an energetic display. *Photo by Lorraine Gabbert*

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Leland High School Dance Team. Photo by Lorraine Gabbert



Above: Shaolin Kungfu Zen. Below: Willow Glen High School Spirit Squad. Photos by Lorraine Gabbert



(l to r): Festival Chair **Lisa Boissier**, Councilmember **Johnny Khamis** and Festival Entertainment Chair **Jenny Teixeira**. Photo by Lorraine Gabbert



(l to r) **Ananya** and **Anna** love Bloomster's sunflowers, a symbol of this year's festival. Photo by Lorraine Gabbert



Rob Bass entertained the crowd with some R&B classics at the Almaden Art & Wine Festival. Many families stopped by to sing along with Rob. Photo by William Bellou

Amato's Pizzeria, who are all sponsors of our commemorative glasses. This year, I especially appreciate Sergio Michel of Les Marguerites Catering, who is a new corporate sponsor for us. We depend heavily on corporate sponsorship, and so we provide those sponsors with a VIP lunch. Sergio donated and catered that lunch this year, and our corporate sponsors unanimously stated it was one of the best lunches they'd had."

All of the proceeds from the festival go back into the community. About 25 community organizations received grants last year, ranging from counseling services to women's shelters and local schools.

The Castillero Middle School Drama Booster Club appreciated their grant for a new theater riser system. "This grant will help us in purchasing seating for not only the drama families but the whole Almaden community who looks forward to attending our fall plays and spring musicals each year," says Club Vice President Rachael Parakh.

"Your gift makes it possible for Jake's Wish to save at-risk dogs," says Vivian O'Connell. "Since 2014, Jake's Wish has saved over 900 dogs from our local shelters and the community. We rescue dogs from the San Jose shelter, one of the largest municipal shelters in California, as well as under-resourced shelters in Los Banos, Hollister, Mendota, and Fresno. Thanks to community partners like Almaden Valley Women's Club, we can save many more!"

This year's festival boasts a wide variety of artists and vendors. Priscilla Gray, of Hedgehog Experience, creates beautiful, delicate pottery. She likes that the Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival is "well-populated, has great crafts, and is a lot of fun." She also appreciates its location and that it benefits a lot of charities. "I'm enjoying conversations with people I would've never had a chance to meet," she says, "and everyone's made me smile."

Bloomster's has manned a booth and distributed sunflowers at the festival for more than 20 years. This year, they created a photo bench surrounded by a sea of flowers. Business owner Kren Rasmussen was raised in Almaden and loves living here. "This is his way to give back to the community for the business they've entrusted to us," says his staff. "We work very hard for the store and the community. It's rewarding."

For Briana Wollen Weber and partner Isa Murphy, of Birch 'n Succulents, selling their artistically arranged plants at this festival was a dream come true. "It's a very big festival in our community," says Murphy. "We've been coming every year we've lived here," says Wollen Weber. "And finally we are ready," adds Murphy. "It's been amazing."

"It was a great festival," says Boissier. "We had so many wonderful artists, both with hand crafted wares and with performances. I hope people just relaxed and had a good time."

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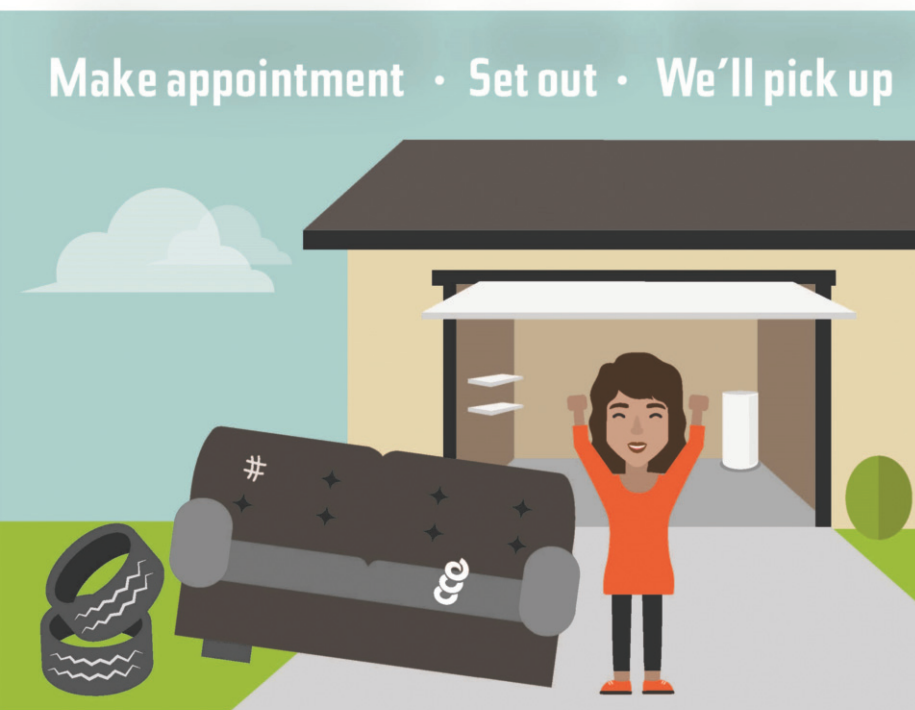
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GoFundMe campaign started to help South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition

A GoFundMe campaign has been started to raise funds for South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition, a group that restores and revitalizes the creeks in Santa Clara County by having creek cleanups.

The coalition recently had all of their supplies stolen, including tables, chairs, awnings, walkie-talkies, first aid kits, team t-shirts, boxes of unopened brochures, artwork, art supplies, educational kits, and more.

All money raised by this GoFundMe will go towards replacing the stolen items so the group can return to their monthly cleanups.

South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition reclaims restores and revitalizes the creeks in Santa Clara County by having creek cleanups. These cleanups occur on the second Saturday of every other month for two hours. More than 200 cleanups have been conducted since the organization was founded five years ago, hauling away 200 tons of garbage from local waterways.

You can donate by visiting: gofundme.com/f/replace-stolen-supplies-for-south-bay-clean-creeks

BBB offers free on-site document shredding and identity theft prevention tips

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) in San Jose will sponsor free document shredding on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the BBB main office, 1112 South Bascom Avenue, San Jose, rear parking lot. [BBB is next door to Sam's BBQ]

This event is an annual BBB-branded identity theft, fraud prevention and educational initiative that features on-site document destruction and distribution of identity protection tips and resources to local communities. Residents and small businesses are encouraged to attend and take a key step in identity protection by shredding and properly disposing of their sensitive paper documents as well as CDs and computer memory.

Identity theft is at an all-time high and it along with data breaches continues to be a problem in the U.S.

During 2018:

- 3 million cases of identity fraud were reported and 25% of victims reported a loss.
- Younger victims reported more fraud than older victims but the older person's median loss was higher.
- 1 in 5 victims of imposter scams lost money... over \$448 million in 2018, with a median loss of \$500.

Bring up to five boxes or bags of documents to be shredded and take home the tips and resources you need to help protect yourself. Documents to be shredded should be removed from binders, but staples, paper clips, CDs and floppy discs are okay to be

shredded.

"Identity theft is increasing in every community", says BBB CEO Steve McFarland. "The BBB wants to make personal information less accessible to scammers. Join us on Shred Day 2019 and share identity protection tips with your family and friends."

Leventhal to speak at Los Gatos DAR luncheon: October 7

The Los Gatos DAR luncheon is on Monday Oct. 7 and it is expected to be very interesting. Allan Leventhal, a trained archaeologist, anthropologist and ethnohistorian, is the guest speaker.

Leventhal will talk about the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of the Bay Area and all the archaeological digs of which there are many. For the past 39 years he has worked with the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of the San Francisco Bay Region as a tribal ethnohistorian and senior staff archaeologist.

During the early 1970s, Leventhal had worked at the American Museum of Natural History in New York in the departments of Anthropology and Education. He completed his undergraduate degree in Anthropology at City College of New York and did graduate work at the City University of New York and also the University of Nevada, Reno.

Leventhal works on the administrative staff in the Office of the Dean, College of Social Sciences at San Jose State University and continues to teach as a lecturer about contemporary Native American Issues and topics on advanced methods and theory in archaeology in the Anthropology Department.

Alan will be speaking at 11:30 a.m. and the public is invited. The event is free. There is an optional lunch available for \$25.00.

RSVP: (408) 395-4613 at least two weeks prior to the event.

Volunteers needed for California Coastal Clean-up Day on Sept. 21

48 Creek sites in Santa Clara County now open for registration

Volunteers are needed to join the Coastal Clean-up day on Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to noon, in a statewide effort to protect our environment by keeping our waterways clean from pollutants.

There are 48 cleanup sites in San Jose, Cupertino, Sunnyvale Santa Clara, Palo Alto, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Campbell, Los Altos, Milpitas, and Gilroy.

Every day urban runoff pollutants as well as debris and trash accumulated in Santa Clara County's waterways flow into our reservoirs and San Francisco and Monterey bays. In addition to contaminating water, and harming birds and wildlife, waste and debris can block our creeks potentially causing flooding.

Volunteers can register at: www.cleanacreek.org to join their neighbors in cleaning a creek close to home. There will be site leaders at every location and provide gloves and trash bags.

Times **Features**

Gardening as meditation

Plant flower bulbs as a therapeutic way to end the gardening season

In response to our fast-paced world, there's a massive get-back-to-nature trend these days. Gardening provides relaxation, inspiration, freedom and a sense of tranquility.

It connects you to both your natural environment and yourself. Now it's time to make the best use of the last weeks of the gardening season by planting flower bulbs!

Grounding yourself

Did you know that gardening is an exercise in paying attention? A garden encourages you to look, smell, feel, hear and taste - and this affects you more than you might think. You feel connected with your garden - as if it's part of yourself. By getting your hands in the soil and feet on the ground, you become aware of your true self: no wonder it's often referred to as 'grounding'. It helps you 'stop and smell the roses' and live a more aware life. Planting flower bulbs helps you listen to your inner self.

Stress hormone

Science has shown that people who garden produce the same brainwaves as people in prayer or meditation. And the amount of cortisol (the stress hormone) in the blood also drops when you trade in your phone, tablet and computer games for a hoe or rake.

Want to reduce your stress? Put aside those digital devices and get into your garden with flower bulbs.

Reflection

But how does meditation work? During restful gardening activities, you become aware of metaphors that reflect your own life. This reflection actually clarifies issues you are being confronted with in your everyday life. In the quiet of planting flower bulbs, these insights simply seem to appear out of nowhere. Your attention shifts from your head to your body; you become more aware of the here and now.

Getting started

By seeing the planting of flower bulbs as a kind of meditation, you become involved in the changeability of life. You become literally involved in what you are planting, caring for and harvesting. So, get the most out of the last bit of the gardening season, and plant them this fall. This repetitive activity opens your mind and gives you a real energy boost. Choose your flower bulbs thoughtfully, plant them judiciously, and care for them just like you care for yourself. You can then await another reward: beautiful flowers in the spring.

More information about flower bulbs is available at www.flowerbulbs.com.

NTSB: California should fix highway safety barriers faster

Federal safety regulators are recommending that California transportation officials move faster to repair highway safety barriers damaged by vehicles.

The recommendation was promoted by the fatal crash of a Tesla in Autopilot mode in March 2018. The National Transportation Safety Board report says California officials failed to fix a safety barrier on Highway 101

before the fatal collision that killed Apple engineer Walter Huang.

The barrier had been damaged 11 days earlier by a 2010 Toyota Prius traveling in excess of 75 mph that crashed against the attenuator, a cushion that protects vehicles from hitting the end of concrete lane dividers. The 31-year-old driver survived the crash and was treated for relatively minor injuries.

"The safety benefits of a functioning crash attenuator were demonstrated by the differences between the level of driver injuries in the two March 2018 crashes that took place at this location," the NTSB said.

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Abodu's Auxiliary Dwelling Unit

Cottages

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 residents to sign up for information on how to build and permit Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and how to take advantage of ADU programs. The online portal will also allow homeowners to determine if their property qualifies for an ADU, and begin the application and permitting process. The online portal can be accessed at www.sjbackyardhomes.com.

Abodu launches new "backyard home"

Abodu, San Jose's first pre-approved ADU builder, has begun selling homes this month in San Jose. The company is offering backyard homes for extra space or rental income with a fast 2-weeks-in-your-backyard install process.

"We won't solve our housing crisis \$650,000 at a time—we have to bend the cost curve in order to build more housing," said San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo. "We're grateful for Abodu's partnership in offering residents pre-approved "backyard homes" — which will help add critically-needed affordable housing to our city's housing stock. I encourage others to follow their lead."

Abodu says it builds well-designed backyard homes and offers an easy delivery process, installing a new home within two weeks in a backyard. Abodu claims its homes add "unparalleled functionality, value, extra space and/or rental income to a home."

"Abodu is proud to enter the Bay Area market and provide a new, cost-effective alternative for those seeking more space or looking to monetize their backyard via rental income," said John Geary, Co-Founder at Abodu. "Whether a buyer is installing an Abodu backyard home for a family member or as an additional source of income, this is a great and easy way to increase the value and functionality of a home."

Geary said, "Abodu backyard homes are a balance of thoughtful design and a right-sized space. Each 495 square foot unit is highly customizable, providing options for a range of uses -- all with the goal of creating a no-compromise, standalone unit owners will be proud to have in their backyard."

"We applaud Abodu for working with us on our new Master Plan Program, and for creating an

ADU product that enables customers to swiftly install an ADU," said Rosalynn Hughey, director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement. "ADUs can help us address the housing crisis, and San Jose is committed to making ADUs easy to build; we welcome and appreciate vendors like Abodu for helping achieve that goal."

Installation process

"Installation of an Abodu backyard home living unit is transparent from beginning to end, Geary said. "Abodu starts with a fixed-price approach in the purchase process and provides multiple financing options. Abodu works with the buyer to find the best financing from a flexible set of options, whether they want to put \$0 down or pay entirely up front. With home construction off-site, buyers do not have to listen to a construction crew in the backyard for four months or more. Each Abodu home is crafted in a nearby factory and engineered to the highest environmental standards."

Abodu units arrive fully constructed, with interior plumbing and electric completed in factory and Abodu units are fully electric and can be ordered with supplemental solar power. Abodu handles all of the work required to connect the unit to local utilities including water, plumbing and electric. Abodu backyard homes come fully appointed when delivered. This includes a dedicated bedroom (with built-in wardrobe), full bathroom (with large shower, built-in vanity and recessed medicine cabinet), fully appointed kitchen (including a full sized fridge/freezer, stovetop, oven, vented hood, dishwasher and kitchen sink) and a dedicated living room (with window bench). Additionally, all Abodu backyard homes come standard with air conditioning, heating and include a water heater.

Abodu's pricing

Pricing for Abodu's 495 square foot model starts at \$199K and customers have the option of upgrading certain features including the entry door, exterior siding and appliances. As with all newly built homes in California, Abodu offers a limited warranty on the structure for 10 years.

For more information, photos of Abodu backyard homes, visit www.Abodu.com

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Johnny Khamis pictured in a hot rod at the Graffiti Night Car Show.

Almaden Graffiti Night: Classic Car Show-n-Shine

Cars were the attraction at the 4th Annual Graffiti Night: Classic Car Show-n-Shine was presented on Friday, September 6

More than a hundred families enjoyed the event which included music and food while having a great time at the lake with more than 100 classic and custom cars from all models and makes, beauties from the 50's, 60's, 70's and beyond.



MOVIE REVIEW

'Brittany Runs a Marathon'

By **Joshua Kim**
Movie reviewer

On the first Sunday of every November, 50,000 runners from all fifty states and more than 139 countries will gather in New York City to run in the largest marathon in the world.

Lined across the streets of New York City are even more spectators, who for one day of the year will take a break from rudely ignoring each other to cheering on the runners as they trek the 26.219 mile course.

As its title suggests, *Brittany Runs a Marathon* is ostensibly about our protagonist Brittany who trains to run the NYC Marathon, but this only acts as a frame, as there is actual very little running in the film. Instead the film devotes much of its run to exploring themes such as the struggles of mediocrity, self-worth, and failure.

Brittany Runs a Marathon is a well-crafted film that transcends its seemingly simple plot and will make you laugh, cry, and cheer.

The film begins by introducing to Brittany (Jillian Bell), who is a 27 year old usher liv-

ing in New York City. Brittany is barely able to make a living and emotionally struggles as she sees everyone around her succeed while is stuck in a dead end job instead of pursuing her dream of working in advertising. Amidst these struggles, Brittany learns from her doctor that she is dangerously unhealthy and is advised to exercise and lose weight. This is when Brittany decides to turn her life around and decides to train for the New York City Marathon.

The film portrays Brittany's journey from being unhealthy and struggling to run one mile to becoming a better version of herself in a manner that is many times hilarious, but also sometimes emotionally devastating. The film also takes some twists and turns from the conventionally expected story that were pleasant and refreshing, which I very much appreciated

Overall, I highly recommend *Brittany Runs a Marathon*. While the film is ostensibly about training for a marathon, I think that the film will connect and empower all audiences who struggle with feelings of mediocrity and failure. *Brittany Runs a Marathon* is currently in limited release but will expand to more theatres soon.

Score: 8/10

Brittany Runs a Marathon is rated R for language throughout, sexuality and some drug material.



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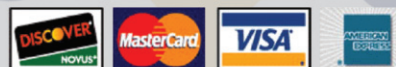
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Symphony Silicon Valley opens 2019-20 Season: Oct 5-6

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Peacock Variations & Tchaikovsky, Saturday, Oct 5, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, Oct 6 at 2:30 p.m. at the California Theatre, 345 South First Street. San Jose.

PROGRAM:

- Zoltán Kodály: Variations on a Hungarian Theme - Peacock Variations
- Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6 - Pathétique

Conductor: Carlos Vieu
Prices: \$50 - \$98; Box Office: 408.286.2600 or www.symphonysiliconvalley.org, or visit the Box Office between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 325 South First Street, San Jose, between San Carlos and San Salvador Streets just one-half block from the California Theatre.

The Symphony Silicon Valley season opens with a richly exotic, song-filled work by Zoltán Kodály. Based on a Hungarian folk tune, its variations set a festive mood. That mood shifts in the second half with Tchaikovsky's deeply emotional final symphony. The composer heard only its first, poorly received performance; but its second was a triumph, and this symphony remains one of his most celebrated and beloved.

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SJVRC 3rd annual 5k/10k charity race slated for September 22 at Almaden Lake Park

The San Jose Vietnamese Running Club SJVRC 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 SJVRC 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."

SJVRC'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 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.

SJVRC 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 OneMile 4OneChild charity fund, 501(c)(3) Due to the safety of all runners, no dogs and strollers are allowed.

About SJVRC

The SJVRC 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 sjvrc.org and click on event.



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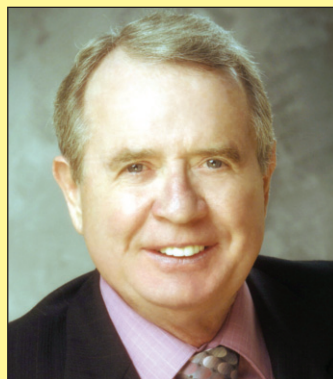


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