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ELECTION 2020

March primary not giving California the expected relevance in presidential race

By Dan Walters CalMatters

he more or less official rationale offered by the state's Democratic politicians for moving our presidential primary election to March 3 was that the nation's most populous and diverse state should play a major role in choosing a challenger to President Donald Trump and compel candidates to pay attention to our issues.

They implied that making the state relevant in presidential politics was worth forcing earlier-than-usual decisions on down-ballot issues, including contests for 153 legislative and congressional seats, countless local government offices and hundreds of state and local ballot measures.

An unofficial reason for moving California's presidential primary from June to March was that presidential hopefuls would feel obligated to cultivate California's political figures, making them more relevant or at least feeding their egos.

Moreover, it was believed, if California Sen. Kamala Harris could shine in the early rounds of caucuses and primaries, her home state could give her presidential ambitions a very big

So how's all of that working out? Not particularly well.

Harris was briefly the Democratic flavor of the week but wound up as an early dropout. See ELECTION, page 6

District 10 City Council candidates face off on local issues

By Lorraine Gabbert

Senior Staff Writer

ousing, homelessness, and public safety were the topics of a recent District 10 City Council candidate debate held at West-Gate Church. The candidates are vying to replace outgoing Councilmember Johnny Khamis.

San Jose Women's March founder Jenny Higgins Bradanini, tech entrepreneur Matt Mahan, and businesswoman Helen Wang shared their views at the well-attended forum hosted by the Almaden Valley Community Association.

During the candidates' introductions, Higgins Bradanini referred to a December traffic fatality she was involved in, saying that her thoughts and prayers are with victim Tim Starkey's family. In spite of the tragedy, Higgins Bradanini says that her passion for public service remains.

"I'm committed to represent the district," Higgins Bradanini says. "I'm an independent voice and I will serve the people of District 10, not special interests."

Mahan says he is motivated to run as the city has been struggling to effectively manage economic growth, population growth, and its budget. He is also committed to rebuilding citizens' trust in their government, as well as under-



District 10 San Jose City Council Candidates (I to r) Jenny Higgins Bradanini, Matt Mahan, and Helen Wang.

standing where their tax dollars go.

"We need new energy and new ideas at City Hall," Mahan says. "We're going to have some real challenges ahead."

Wang, who has served as a member of San

Jose's Small Business Advisory Task Force, is passionate to help small businesses succeed "with common sense policies" and to serve the community.

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Silicon Valley Reads 2020 celebrates women with books, activities for all ages

By Diane McNutt

Special to the Times

n recognition of the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage in the U.S., Silicon Valley Reads 2020 celebrates the achievements of women with books and events focused on the theme "Women-Making It Happen." Several of the 185 public events planned during February and March will be held at San Jose libraries.

Novelist Catherine Chung, author of "The Tenth Muse," the other featured book for Silicon Valley Reads 2020 adult and teen readers, will speak at the Vineland Branch Library on Saturday, Feb. 22, at 1 p.m. and at the Almaden Branch Library on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 5:30 p.m. Her critically acclaimed book focuses on a trailblazing female mathematician whose research unearths her own surprising family history.



Author Catherine Chung has written an exhilarating novel about a trailblazing mathematician who unearths her own extraordinary family story and its roots in World War II. Chung will speak at the Vineland Branch Library on Saturday, Feb. 22, at 1 p.m. and at the Almaden Branch Library on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 5:30 p.m.

Showings of feature films and documentaries scheduled for Silicon Valley Reads 2020 include:

• "Miss Representation," an investigation of how mainstream media and culture contribute to the underrepresentation of women in positions of power and influence in America, at the Rose Garden Branch Library on Saturday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m.

• "On the Basis of Sex," a legal drama about the life and early years of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, on Monday, March 9, 5:30 p.m. at the Rose Garden Branch Library; Wednesday, March 11, 6 p.m. at the Cambrian Branch Library; and Friday, March 27, 3:30 p.m., at the Willow Glen Branch

• "Mulan," Walt Disney's popular animated film about a young Chinese woman who joins the Imperial Army accompanied by her guardian dragon, on Tuesday, March 3, 3 p.m. at the Almaden Branch Library.

All local public libraries will offer story times for young children and families, featuring "The Most Magnificent Thing" by Ashley Spires, the Silicon Valley Reads picture book pick for 2020. Some story times may feature celebrity readers and crafts activities. An animated short film version of the book, narrated by Whoopi Goldberg, will also be shown at libraries in February and March.

Another major event on the 2020 calendar is "Silicon Valley Reads Day at the Computer History Museum" on Saturday, March 28, which includes free admission to the Mountain View museum; a presentation by Claire L. Evans, author of "Broad Band: The Untold Story of the Women Who Made the Internet," an excerpt performance of the See READS, page 6

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Mercury Mines have had extensive clean-up work

Dear editor,

Some readers might misunderstand the "Valley Currents" article about Almaden Lake. They might think the mercury mines, especially the Senator mine, are still discharging tons of mercury to the Lake. This is not the case.

Extensive cleanup work and erosion control at the mines has reduced the erosion of mercurycontaining sediment. The District also cleaned up visible banks of contaminated mining waste along streams on their properties. The issue should now be what was released to the watershed in the 19th-Century. Millions of pounds of mercury were released in a 19th-Century mercury-mining "blowout." The mercury is now scattered throughout the Guadalupe River and watershed: where it is and what it is doing are important questions.

Tons of contaminated sediment already in the creeks downstream of the mine are mobilized in high flows. Lake Almaden currently intercepts some portion of this sediment. I am not sure letting the sediment bypass the sink of Almaden Lake, and thereby flow on to the Bay, is actually a benefit to the environment, but let's set that aside. The political and legal system struggles with highly distributed environmental problems that cross a lot of property lines and political boundaries. Much of the antique mercury blowout remains uncharacterized, let alone understood and addressed. It is possible that much of the mercury blowout remains in the stream systems and is causing some trou-

The reader should not place responsibility on the District or the abandoned mercury mine owners. They didn't cause the blowout and they have spent millions of dollars

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Above left: DAR Good Citizen Awards Winners: (I to r) are Honorable Mention: **Athena Shiravi**, Prospect High School; Honorable Mention: **Sunamawit B. Yimer**, Lincoln High School; Third Place: **Kaitlin Thompson**, Saratoga High School; First Place: **Kaitlyn Hoang**, Presentation High School; and DAR Chairperson: **Trish Boesel**. (Not Pictured: Second Place: James Garrow, Bellarmine High School; and Honorable Men-



tion: Cassidy Chang, Branham High School.) Above right: American History Contest Winners are: (I to r) Grade 5: **Melia Kolander**, District VI Winner, Challenger School Almaden; Grade 8: **Zella Harper**, Challenger School, Almaden; Grade 6: **Nainika Srinivasan**, Challenger School, Shawnee; Grade 7: **Ann Tran**, Fisher Middle School, Los Gatos.

Almaden students win awards for essays hosted by DAR Los Gatos

Silicon Valley students recently received awards for their excellent award winning essays hosted by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Los Gatos Chapter.

Representing Almaden Valley, Nethra Srinivasan, Leland High School, was named Christopher Columbus District Winner and Melia Kolander and Zella Harper, Challenger School Almaden were named American History Contest Winners. Kolander is not only the district VI winner, but she also won the State Award for the best American History essay for grade 5.

The Good Citizen Awards went to high school students who showed dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. The focus question they wrote about was "You and your peers are our nation's leaders of tomorrow. How would you energize America's youth to fully engage



Christopher Columbus District VI Contest Winner **Nethra Srinivasan**, Leland High School, with DAR Chair Person **Sue Fitzpatrick**.

as effective citizens and why is that important?"

The American History contest was for 5-8 grades and asked the question" After spending two months at sea 400 years ago on the Mayflower what would you have packed for the trip and starting a new life in the wilderness or would you have made different choices and why?"

Christopher Columbus Contest was for high school students. "Christopher Columbus' first expedition set off in August 1492 when they explored the Caribbean after 5 months of sailing. Imagine you are a sailor who accompanied Columbus and describe your impression of Columbus and the purpose of the expedition. Talk about experiences and significance of the discoveries made."

Leland Science Club to present 2020 Leland Science Fair: March 5

eland Science Club is presenting the 2020 Leland Science Fair from 3:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. March 5.

The Leland Science Fair is an educational platform for elementary, middle, and high school students from schools in Almaden to showcase their science projects which will be judged with

prizes awarded.

The Fair will be judged in two divisions: elementary, and middle/ high school. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be awarded in each division. Special mentions will be given for every grade level. Projects will be judged based on originality, knowledge of the subject, ability to answer any questions, layout of the board, and complexity of project.

The goal of the Fair is to stimulate an early interest in STEM and rekindle the love for science in our community, according to Nethra Srinivasan, President of Leland Science Club. She said that the Leland Science Club will also be hosting a program at the Almaden Library on Saturday, Feb. 29 from 1-2:30 p.m. to assist the students with their science experiment

planning process.

"The Leland Science Fair is a great opportunity for students to observe and learn from their peers as well as their seniors," Srinivasan said. "The Fair is a great chance for students to experience building a science project for the first time in an inclusive and encouraging atmosphere."

The Leland Science Club committee is looking for volunteers to help make this a fun event for the entire family! Please reach out to us if you are interested.

For further questions, contact the Leland Science Club at lelandsciclub@gmail.com.

For more information and to register, please visit the Leland Science Fair website: sites. google.com/view/lelandsciencefair

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Election

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Other candidates have swooped into the state periodically, mostly to raise money. But in their rare public appearances, they rarely make special efforts to respond to California issues.

Michael Bloomberg, the uber-wealthy former mayor of New York City, is a late bloomer and has ignored other states while spending heavily in hopes of making a big splash in California. He's garnered many endorsements but the latest tracking poll by data guru Paul Mitchell for Capitol Weekly has him with only an outside chance of winning any delegates.

Fellow billionaire Tom Steyer, a Californian, is barely registering at all.

Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders and former South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg topped the first two contests in Iowa and New Hampshire and Mitchell's polling in early February confirmed that they are leading the pack in California. Former Vice President Joe Biden, an early leader in California, and Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren are fading here as they have national-

In other words, California is not standing out as an arena for changing the patterns developing elsewhere. Our March 3 primary will be only one of 16 on that day, which has been dubbed Super Tuesday, and our drawn-out voting system virtually blocks the state from having a big impact.

We really don't have an election day but rather an election month ending on March 3. Most voting is by mail and it's already underway. And as mail voting was beginning, the state Legislature changed the rules to allow more "no party preference" voters to cast ballots for one of the Democratic candidates.

We won't know definitely who won what until early April because of the state's laborious system of deciding which ballots are legitimately to be counted and because the Democratic Party awards delegates both by congressional district and statewide, with minimum vote thresholds of 15% for candidates to win anything anywhere.

Chances are very high that by the time California actually reports its results in April and divvies up its delegates, outcomes in other Super Tuesday states, as well as the Nevada caucuses and South Carolina primary later this month, will have pretty much settled who has a commanding lead.

The net impact of moving California's primary from June to March may not be how it affects presidential politics but how an eight month gap between primary and general elections affects choices for legislative, congressional and local government offices.

Dan Walters is a CalMatters columnist.

Reads

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world premiere of "Coded" by the City Lights Theater Company, and a showing of the film "Great Unsung Women of Computing."

For free ticket reservations, email SVReads@aol.com.

Julian Guthrie, author of "Alpha Girls," the story of four extraordinary women who thrived in the high-stakes, male-dominated investment capital world of Silicon Valley, recently spoke at the Rose Garden Branch Library. Guthrie, a journalist for 20

years with the San Francisco Chronicle, is the author of four books, including two best-

Silicon Valley Reads, started in 2003, is presented by Santa Clara County Library, Santa Clara County Office of Education and San José Public Library. It selects books that reflect a theme relevant to the region and asks everyone in the community to read, think, discuss and share their diverse perspectives.

For more information, visit SiliconValleyReads.org.

Diane McNutt is coordinator of Silicon Vallev Reads.

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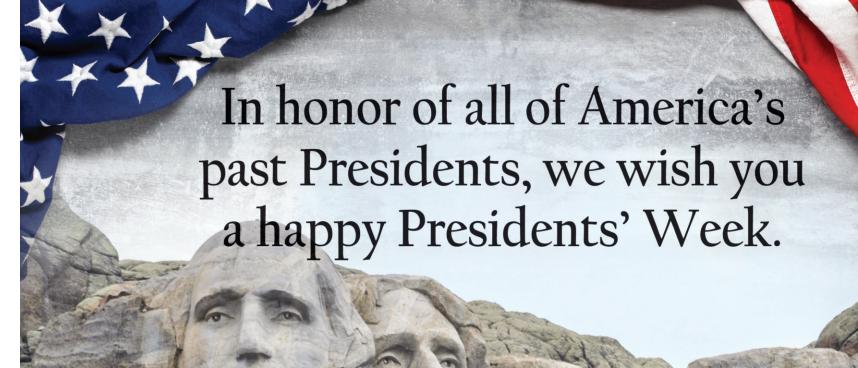
addressing the problems on their properties. In truth, the entire watershed is impacted by the 19th-Century mercury blowout. In the absence of the facts about watershed sediments, it is easy to pursue more erosion control at the mines as well as putting Alamitos Creek in a channel rather than letting it continue to enter the lake. The lake was made by gravel mining. What if the mud washed off the gravel and left behind has more mercury in it than the sediment flowing in from Alamitos Creek? What if patches of 19th-Century mining waste all along

the creek channels are releasing more mercury than is removed by additional cleanup at the mines?

With time, the District and mine owners will likely be spending more and more money to control fewer and fewer pounds of mercury on their properties. Meanwhile, untallied millions of pounds of mercury from the great 19th-Century mercury blowout, as well as hundreds of pounds of mercury that have rained down from modern air pollution, will just keep rolling along, largely unknown and unseen, working its way down the watershed, into the fish, and toward the Bay and ocean.

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Opera San José presents "Il trovatore," Feb. 23, 28 and March 1 at the California Theatre, San Jose. Shown here is Manrico (**Mackenzie Gotcher**) comforting his true love, Leonora (**Kerriann Otaño**). *Photo Credit*: *David Allen*

Opera San José presents 'Il trovatore'

pera San José presents "Il trovatore," Feb. 23, 28, and March 1 at the California Theatre, now one of the most intimate opera houses in the world located in downtown San Jose.

Verdi's Il trovatore has long been a staple of opera houses all over the world, and Opera San Jose has produced it only rarely, as it requires rare voices. This is an opera that helped make Irene Dalis one of the most celebrated dramatic mezzo sopranos in the world.

Opera San José will highlight the raw emotions that drive Giuseppe Verdi's turbulent tale of love and revenge. The opera features an emotional, heart-stopping score with a mesmerizing story filled with romance, obsession, and retribution.

Based on the play El trovador by Span-

ish playwright Antonio García Gutiérrez, Il trovatore is known for its most famous choral melodies ever written, the "Anvil Chorus." This classic four-act Italian opera has become a beloved favorite of audiences around the world.

Larry Hancock presents an engaging free 45-minute talk about the opera to ticket holders before every performance of Il trovatore. The talk begins at 6:30pm prior to evening performances, and at 1:30pm prior to Sunday matinees. Open to all ticket holders; no reservations required.

Il trovatore will be sung in Italian with English supertitles with a run time of three hours, including intermission at the California Theatre, 345 South 1st Street, San José. For tickets (\$55-\$195) or more information, visit operasj.org or call (408) 437-4450.

YMCA of Silicon Valley joins 16-city Google/ YMCA collaboration to mark Safer Internet Day

MCAs across the U.S. hosted thousands of parents looking for advice on how to manage rising social issues such as cyber-bullying and online safety last week.

The events were part of a 16-city collaboration coordinated by the YMCA to bring Google's Be Internet Awesome parent workshops to U.S families.

A total of more than 315 workshops were held at YMCAs throughout the country in observance of global Safer Internet Day. Locally, YMCA of Silicon Valley hosted 16 workshops at local elementary and middle school YMCA after-school program sites to help parents instill healthy and responsible Internet habits in their children.

"As technology use among children continues to rise, parents often tell us that they feel they should be doing more to monitor their children's screen time activity and give guidance on responsible digital citizenship," said YMCA of Silicon Valley Senior Vice President of Operations Mary Hashiko Haughey. "We are proud to part-

ner with Google to respond to the changing needs of families and to get Google's Be Internet Awesome resources in front of parents."

The one-hour workshops were free and focused on Google's Internet Code of Awesome: Be SMART, ALERT, STRONG, KIND and BRAVE. Families learned how to communicate responsibly online, understand real from fake in the face of phishing and scams, build strong passwords, be positive and kind online, talk about questionable content with their family, and explored why building healthy tech habits is important.

Parents got access to free bilingual resources and answers to questions about online safety and digital citizenship to help facilitate discussions at home.

The 16-city collaboration marks the third time that the YMCA has partnered with Google to host the Be Internet Awesome workshops. Following a successful pilot program in Chicago in April 2019, the partnership was expanded to include an See YMCA, next page

Times Community



Four Eagle Scouts honored (L-R) are: Henry Paul, Colin Scales, Troy Rosenbaum and Russell Chough.

Eagle Court honors four Scouts at Joint Venture Churches

Boy Scout Troop #294 held an Eagle Court of Honor at Joint Venture Churches for Scouts, Henry Paul, Russell Chough, Troy Rosenbaum and Colin Scales; each achieving the rank of Eagle Scout on Feb. 1

This event was even more special because these four young men all were part of Cub Scout Pack #282 Den 2. According to Boy Scouts of America, only 2-4% of all scouts ever achieve the rank of Eagle. Since 2010 they have worked numerous service hours on community service projects throughout the Almaden community.

To achieve the rank of Eagle, a Scout must have earned at least 21 merit badges, demonstrated the Scout spirit, held various leadership positions within the troop, and must do an Eagle Scout Service Project which includes, planning, development, pitching the idea, scheduling, fundraising, and leading a project to help better their community. Once the project is completed, the Scout must then pass a board of review with their troop, area scout council members, and a national review by the Boy Scouts of America.

The boys completed the following Eagle projects:

Henry Paul's project was the construction and building of three dog houses for Silicon Valley Pet Project Dog Day Out Program.

Russell Chough's project was the demolition and rebuilding of planter boxes for the Pioneer High School Special Education Program.

Troy Rosenbaum's project was construction and building of two cello and bass carts along with a cabinet for Mr. Krijnen's Orchestra room at Castillero Middle School.

Colin Scales' project was the building and installation of dividers to the existing band room cabinets for Mr. Bowman's Band class-

room at Castillero Middle School.

The newly honored Eagle Scouts expressed their thanks to Troop #294 Scoutmaster's Paul Pesek, Marty Rauchwerk and Peter Swartz, Assistant Scoutmasters Reed Canerday, Nathan Etter and Craig Thrower, Eagle Advisors Mike Rosenbaum, Rick Dexter and Craig Thrower, Troop #294, Cub Scout Pack #282, Den 2 Leader, Sally Moiseff, Amato's Pizza, Crossgates Swim Club, and the many other parents and volunteers who helped along their trail to Eagle.









Pictured above, top to bottom: **Henry Paul** – Dog house; **Russell Chough** – Pioneer planters; **Troy Rosenbaum** – Castillero orchestra carts; and **Colin Scales** – Castillero band storage pictured with music teacher Mr. Bowman.

YMCA

Continued from previous page additional five cities convening 100 parent workshops last June.

Parents described the workshop as "informative" and "helpful" and left feeling com-

fortable with initiating a discussion about digital safety with their children. As a result, the YMCA coordinated the latest round of workshops to coincide with Safer Internet Day on Feb. 12 to reach even more families.

For more information, visit: www. ymcasv.org

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Times Feature

My Rosie, My Riveter: A visit with living history

By Paul J. Rafter

Special to the Times

s it turned out, she was born the same year as my mother, Mary Torres was. At first she seemed just another senior-aged woman to this senior-aged guy.

I had just sat down on an empty bench at the Rosie the Riveter Visitor Center that services the National Historic Site in Richmond, California. Our city-sponsored senior citizen group in San Jose, located some sixty miles south of Richmond, had hosted a bus tour. The Visitor Center, housed in a factory dating back to World War II, had several floors of displays and films describing the history of the place, heavily featuring the contribution of the women and African-Americans who came to Richmond from all over the U.S.A. to build Liberty and Victory Shipsstandardized transports cranked out at a rate reaching one a day for outfitting during the war—as well as to assemble Jeeps and other war materials.

We were there for the Home Front Festival, held every year since 2000. People were encouraged to dress up in relevant period clothes. Wearing the iconic Rosie the Riveter blue denim overalls and red bandanas with white polka dots wrapping up their hair were dozens of women, girls, and men—the site is located across the bay from San Fran-



Mary Torres

cisco, so yes, men too. You may be familiar with the famous period poster of a woman dressed like this and flexing her bicep. One woman at this event was dressed in a professional baseball uniform as in the movie "A League of Their Own." (Ooh-la-la.) Another in See ROSIE, page 14



Times Community News



San Jose Gurdwara Hola Mohalla Festival completely complimentary

Festival of courage and strength returns Sunday, March 15

By Kevin Larsen

Times Staff Writer

t all takes place on the hillside of one of San Jose's most beautiful landmarks: San Jose Gurdwara Hola Mohalla Festival on Sunday, March 15.

The event is complementary for everyone to attend; no entrance or parking fees and delicious free food is provided on plates with beverages all day long, including different flavors of ice cream. Also, anyone of all ages can participate in any sports or of course just to observe is great fun. Sometimes when we see others competing it inspires us to get active and consider developing healthy and strong habits in how we choose to live our lives.

The purpose of the event is to encourage all people to be healthy and engage in physical sports and challenges which help give a person well rounded physical and mental health. People of all ages enter into challenges of sports and skill demonstrations. Another purpose of this festival is to educate the community about the Sikhs and the people of India. It is an opportunity for everyone to have wonderful conversations and to bring all closer together with understanding and love for one another.

Throughout the world the Festival of Courage and Strength referred to as the Hola Mohalla is held yearly by the Sikhs. Their mission is helping each person in building strength and welcoming all to know that we are all brothers and sisters, all connected and here to help one another. The Sikhs do not proselytize or try to get people to join their religion instead they believe the entire human race is connected and each religion can work in its own way to achieve the virtuousness of God.

"We want everyone to know that this festival belongs to everyone and all are welcome to come and enjoy it to build new friendships and understanding," states a Sikh leader. It is clear that this festival is a representation of love from the Sikhs to all people in this area and beyond.

President of the Gurdwara, Mr. Bob Dhillon states: "This is a festival where you can come and enjoy events with your family and walk around to enjoy the activities. We welcome you as our guests and hope you have a wonderful time."

Booths of food & wares

There will be food booths offering complementary mouthwatering delicious handmade culturally authentic foods, including ice cream. There will also be many booths that will feature authentic traditional Indian wares (clothing items, kid's toys, jewel-

ry and more) for purchase. It is like walking through a bazaar in India. Community information booths will feature San Jose Agencies and the availability of complementary services.

The girl on the train

Long ago in India it is said that an elderly man had to put his granddaughter on a train to a city far away. She needed to go alone and the older man wanted to protect her. He asked a Sikh gentleman to sit with his granddaughter in the same compartment to ensure her safe passage. This was done and it all has to do with the tenants of the Sikh religion and how honorable it is to the welfare of all in our world. It also demonstrates the importance of having strength and courage inside each person's heart.

The Protectors

The Sikhs have many cherished religious tenants which promote goodness in our world and in giving back to those in need. Their beliefs are composed of equality between man and woman and much more. The founder of the Sikh religion Guru Nanak Dev Ji saw the world suffering and urged every person of faith to seek within their hearts that there is one creator which exists everywhere regardless of religion color or creed. The Sikhs care and protect our world and thus many refer to them as "The Protectors." One of ten great leaders of the Sikh religion, Guru Gobind Singh Sahib Ji believed in teaching all to defend themselves with regard to building up courage and strength in the heart and mind. Be strong, it is good. His wisdom is the reason why we are able to observe and actually participate in the Festival of Courage of Strength today on an annual basis.

Building strength and courage

Hola Mohalla focuses on building up your own personal strength and courage in all you do. You and your family can join in and observe many athletic competitions such as Tug of War (different competitions for gents, ladies and children), Running Races for adults and children, Martial Arts, competitive games and performances, Volleyball and Basketball competitions, Horseback Riding competitions, and Pony Rides for the little ones. Just watching the youngsters navigate the saddle and ride the circular track is a joy to observe and will bring a smile to your face.

Historical Significance of the Gurdwara

You can also take a tour and learn about the culture as the San Jose Gurdwara, the largest in the United States, is open to the public year round and is certainly one of the most beautiful places in the world. Many say it is very peaceful and relaxing just to be See FESTIVAL, page 15





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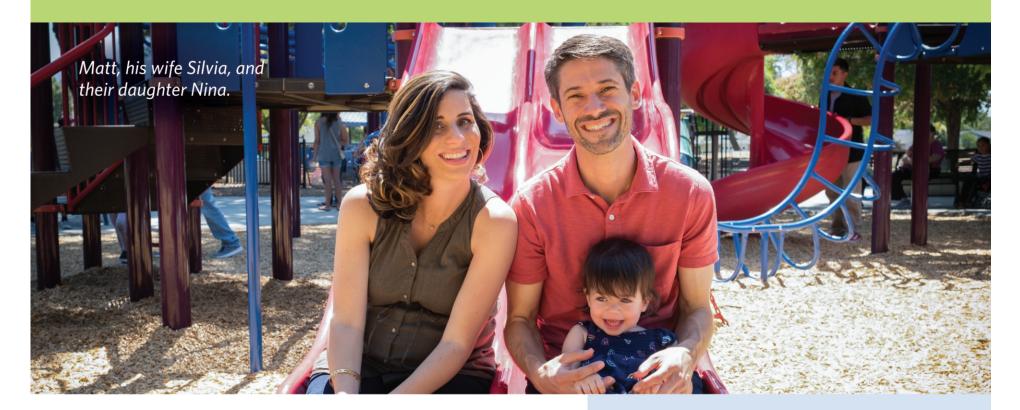
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Rosie

Continued from page 10 a period nurse uniform. (Make that a double ooh-la-la.)

A woman more senior than me, dressed in a Rosie outfit with blindingly bright red knee socks, was wandering by, looking like she needed a seat, too. I invited her to sit with me. "I'm a Rosie," Mary announced. I took her to mean how she was dressed, you know, like people say on Halloween: I'm a vampire,

or I'm a witch...like that. Of course, I thought, just like the hundred or so others dressed just like her who were wandering around the place. She continued to talk. "Last year we broke the record for Rosies," meaning the number of festival attendees dressed in the iconic Rosie outfits. "This year, though, we didn't enter so someone else could win this time "

After asking her a few questions, I came to understand that Rosie the Riveter celebrations

happen all around the country. And the Richmond location, having just won the title for themselves, decided to allow another location the "most" honor.

She talked about the red and white polka dot bandana sea of heads all around us. "None of us wore those kind back then." I pulled my red bandana with a black and white paisley design out of my blue jeans pocket. I wear it when I ride my Harley. We called them railroad handkerchiefs back when I was a kid. "Yes!" she said, "We wore ones like those! Only bigger.'

The picture became much clearer just then. I was talking to an actual Rosie, one that worked at the Richmond shipyard during the war, dressed now, it seemed, in nothing like what she actually wore back then. Now, she was just imitating the iconic Rosie the Riveter poster—the one with the official "Rosie" character wearing the blue denim overalls, red and white polka dot bandana outfit while flexing her bicep—so as to be in step with all the visitors so dressed.

Then she changed the subject, talking about how she wanted to be the President so she could spend our money on better things and in better ways. She talked about her son, who was about my age. She talked about how San Leandro was being overdeveloped without concern for the people who lived there. I did not want to interrupt her. Luckily, someone else did.

A man, maybe a bit younger than I, came up and started talking to her like he knew her, like a familiar relationship. I asked if he was her son. No. Then a woman of about the same age as him joined him and gushed all over this Rosie sitting next to me about what an honor it was to meet her. At that moment, I felt invisible. It started to sink in more: I was not just sitting next to a piece of living history; I was sitting next to a famous piece of living history.

More people, obviously connected to the couple, gathered around and gushed plenty on their own. My bench-mate announced proudly to them that some Silicon Valley professional woman's group was sending a limo to pick her up next week and take her to one of their gatherings to give a speech. "The rich women down there want me to tell them how an uneducated woman can get rich!" The group now in front of us wanted a picture with my new friend. We got off the bench. She joined them; I snapped some photos with their camera. Then she said, "Let's everybody sing a patriotic song! Let's sing 'Amer-

ica the Beautiful'!" Without a countdown or a pitch cue, she launches into the song, unselfconsciously loud, leading the whole group of six or eight devotees through the entire first verse and chorus. Awkward but sincere best describes the attempt. When the singing was over, the two of us sat back down while the group moved away chatting excitedly amongst themselves: Can you believe that!? It's really her! I never thought I would ever actually

meet her!! We are soooo lucky!

During this exchange, I learned that she self-publishes a memoir, My Journey Through Life. (This helped explain the fan club.) She doesn't sell the copies. She gives them away for free while gladly accepting donationsmake that "cash gifts"—that she uses to fund the next printing. "This way, I don't have to pay taxes." Clearly, avoiding paying taxes on the sale of these books is a victory for her. Evidently, she brings a large stock to events like this. She had me lift her giant handbag. It weighed a ton. "I only have three books left." She bragged about how she could carry this heavy bag around all by herself. I silently wondered: How many books did she start with!? I asked if I could have one of the remaining books. In a flash, there was one on my lap. In a flash, there was a cash gift in her hand. Eagerly scanning the book cover, I finally learned her name: Mary Torres.

Just then, the tour guide for my senior group, Barbara, stepped up to check in on me. I introduced the two women. I flashed my copy of Mary's book. Barbara got one, too. Then Barbara did what I somehow did not get around to doing. She asked Mary to tell us her Rosie the Riveter story...

Mary Torres was not a riveter. She made that clear. Mary was a welder. Apparently, most of the constructors did not do any riveting in the shipyards. They welded. It seemed akin to being a rock star. (Inserted into my copy of her book was a loose photo of her, wearing her full welding outfit. The welding mask that covered her face was painted with a happy face so her sweetheart could find her while she was working amongst all the other welders.) Mary said her job was to go down deep into the hull and weld the mounts used to chain battle tanks to the ship so that the tanks would not shift around while under sail. You may have heard the expression "loose cannon on deck," referring to the days of wooden sailing ships. Sailors definitely did not want that happening because, if a 10-ton

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Festival

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there. Ask about their history museum and you will be amazed. They have many complementary programs which you can find out about including Yoga. Their kitchen (Langer) is open 365 days of the year to offer delicious hot hand made vegetarian foods to anyone who enters at no cost. The Gurdwara is very accepting and welcoming to all people of all cultures and religions. At the day of the event, if you like, there are times for free tours of the history room where visitors with a guide can learn more about the Sikh culture or you can come back another day and do more exploring.

Take the shuttle or just walk in

For the past nine years the festival has grown in attendance. There is free parking in the Gurdwara and that fills up by morning and so many park along Gurdwara Avenue or at the schools where a free shuttle runs which will bring you to the site and back to your car later in the day. There are also shuttles from nearby schools and you can drive your car and walk into the main festival area on the field. More than 250 volunteers assist in the festival from prep to monitoring and to completion and clean up. Everything is done like clockwork because the volunteers and oversight leaders are extremely professional in ensuring this family friendly festival runs smoothly and is of great enjoyment and meaningful to all visitors.

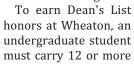
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dwara take highway 87 to 101 north. You can then take the Capital Expressway exit and drive to take a right on Quimby Road. Go all the way up the hill and the Gurdwara is on the right. Also, you can park your car at Evergreen High school part way up the hill and take a shuttle to the Gurdwara. Shuttles are also available at Carolyn Clark Elementary School and run all day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information visit: sanjosegurdwara.org or contact Kirpal Atwal (408) 835-

Ashley Koh of Almaden named to Wheaton College Dean's List

Ashley Koh of Almaden Valley has been named to the Dean's List at Wheaton College.



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Koh, a Research Assistant for Oral Histories for Social Action at Wheaton College, graduated from Leland High School in 2016.

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Times Community News



Leland Bridge Night featured students, staff and performers

By Hongbo Wei and Ansh Dhakalia

Special to the Times

o kick off the New Year, Leland Bridge hosted the annual Bridge Night on Feb. 1, with students, staff and performers' families participating in this popular annual event.

For 19 years, the event has been held successfully in order to raise school funds while incorporating Chinese culture and celebration into the Almaden community. However, this year presented a challenging decision. With the startling news of the coronavirus spreading rapidly around the globe, organizers were forced to reconsider whether it was safe to continue this sacred tradition. At first, it was decided that instead of being held live, the event should be recorded and posted onto social media platforms. After much debate, student organizers decided to continue hosting the event, but also to eliminate the traditional practice of having volunteers serve food to the audience and to limit the audience to students, school staff and performers' families as well.

As Leland staff and guests found their way to their seats, performers applied the final touches on their costumes. To begin the event with a roaring start, Andrew Liu, Leon Huang, Curtis Luu, and Andrew Xiong masqueraded around the stage in two golden dragon costumes. These dragons danced to the tune

of the cymbal and tanggu which were played by Janice Shih, Andrew Lihn and Michael Han. After breaking the ice, the masters of ceremonies were introduced: Erica Fu, Kailyn Xu, Bradley Liu, Eric Zhang, Justin Yang and Lauren Zheng. The MCs (Masters of Ceremonies) then sang and danced in Mickey Mouse costumes to honor the year of the rat. with Eric Zhang playing the guitar.

The third performance featured Karen Lin playing the traditional pipa or Chinese lute. Bringing energy to the stage, members of the Korean Pop Group including Teresa He, Grace Park, Vivian Tran, Shannyn Cabi, Elizabeth Liao, Britni Stoicich, and Lana Stoicich, performed a fluidly choreographed dance. This was immediately followed by a performance of the song "A Thousand Years" by Christina Perry with Daniel Man playing the piano, Reagan Liu playing the cello, and Cynthia Gao as the lead singer.

After waves of applause, Kailyn Xu gave a traditional Chinese dance with Erica Lam playing the flute and Grace Fang performed a contemporary dance. Sparking up the mood, Maxwell Wu, Jasper Wu, Victor Man, David Hsiao, Ernest Wu, Raymond Dai, and parent Beverly Lui danced to "Single Ladies." Alexander Lee, Ethan Chang, Andrea Kuo and Janice Shih starred in a Broadway show "Les Miserables" about a French peasant seeking See next page



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redemption and discovering forgiveness. To celebrate their senior year, Eric Yin, Dennis Wang, Charlie He, and Brendan Lin danced to an upbeat melody. Then, Vincent Zhu performed magic on stage with Ms. Yu through a seemingly impossible card throw and Mrs. Burton by having a blindfolded guest pick the Queen of Hearts.

Sophie He danced vibrantly to Queen's Don't Stop Me Now. Yuka Shindo, Christine Baek, Calvin Hsiao & Eric Zhang, sang one of this winter's most popular songs "Some Things Never Change" from Frozen 2. As the night neared its conclusion, dance group illumin8 featuring Ashley Chen, Sean Huang, Evan Ji, Bradley Liu, Daniel Man, Terrence Te, Kailyn Xu, and Justin Yang

reflected on their past three years performing at Bridge Night and feelings about it. Their last dance was a Glow in the Dark performance that held the audience's attention.

After exuberant applause, nearly 50 volunteer students ended the night by performing a group dance with the MCs. The volunteers then cheered and thanked the leaving guests with a walk of fame.

Thanks to a team effort, the entire event was cleaned up in record time. Despite significant obstacles, Leland Bridge Night 2020 left a deep impression of both school and Chinese culture upon attending guests who are sure to return next year.

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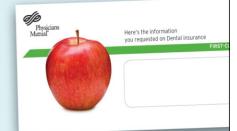
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"I'd like to make the processes for small businesses more efficient and easier," Wang says.

Housing

Due to the housing shortage, the candidates were asked their thoughts on having accessory dwelling units (ADUs), workforce housing, and mixed-use development in District 10, which predominately features single-family homes. They all agree that Almaden Valley lacks the infrastructure for high-density housing, which they say should be downtown near transit systems. Of the choices given, they all consider ADUs, also known as granny units, feasible.

"In Berkeley, ADU housing is provided in exchange for help with yard work and shopping," Wang says.

Higgins Bradanini, who does not support workforce housing in District 10, says she is proud of the city for initiating ADU Tuesday to cut down on red tape.

Mahan's major concern is the housing shortage and affordability crisis. He says the city has to make it easier to build housing downtown, as the permitting process is too long and convoluted, and fees are too high. Mahan also believes that other cities should step up to build housing, including Palo Alto and Cupertino.

"The working poor can't afford rent," Mahan says. "We can't keep adding jobs and not adding housing or more people will be pushed to the Central Valley, commuting for hours each way."

Homelessness

All three candidates urge implementing new solutions to solve San Jose's homeless crisis. They advocate long-term mental health facilities, as well as long-term treatment for those suffering from substance abuse and addiction.

"Sometimes, we have to intervene to get people the care they need," Mahan says. "It's not compassionate to let people die on the street."

Wang advocates having emergency centers, mental health facilities, and shelters in which homeless people can be triaged to determine their needs.

"Especially in winter, they each need a roof over their head, a bed to sleep in, a shower, and a hot meal," Wang said.

Higgins Bradanini recommends using the County fairgrounds as a homeless encampment. She says that the working poor are one paycheck away from homeless and advises financial aid for those on the edge. Higgins Bradanini also advocates providing domestic violence victims priority for housing.

"Women and children are living on the street," Higgins Bradanini said. "We need political will and bold leadership. We seem to be waiting and it's getting worse."

Public safety and pension plans

Higgins Bradanini says that San Jose is still 600 officers short and although burglary crime is down, violent crimes like domestic violence and rape are up.

"I'd look into bringing in more police officers faster," Higgins Bradanini says. "We graduated 40 officers two weeks ago, so we're on our way."

As her car was stolen from her driveway in the middle of the night and used in a felony, a detective came and took DNA. However, Higgins Bradanini says that 96 percent of

stolen cars just end in a report taken rather than an investigation.

"We have burglary prevention, but I want a burglary investigative unit so we can catch these criminals doing repeat break-ins," Higgins Bradanini says. "We can do more with community service officers. Having them present in neighborhoods makes people feel safer."

Mahan agrees that San Jose is too thinly staffed with 11 officers for every 10,000 residents.

"New York has 43 officers per 10,000 residents and Austin has 30," Mahan says. "We have a fraction of what other major cities do."

As the current budget limits the number of officers San Jose can hire, Mahan is optimistic this will be resolved as the city's tax base grows along with new jobs and housing downtown, including Google. He also says the city must get a handle on unfunded pension liabilities.

"About \$1 out of \$3 of local tax revenue goes to unfunded pension liability," Mahan says. "If we don't get them self-contained and self-funding and out of operating budget, it will be difficult to increase staffing in a meaningful way."

Wang says that the city's pension plan is underperforming and should be reformed.

"We have to sit down with the unions and work together on the pension plan," Wang says. "They need to diversify and invest the money."

Higgins Bradanini agrees that the pension fund is mismanaged and says the city should look into 401(k) plans with better returns. Higgins Bradanini notes that the fire and police don't have Social Security when they retire, only pensions. She says that police are overworked as there is not enough staff.

"Working for the city used to be a great job people were proud of," Higgins Bradanini says. "We don't hear that anymore."

Mahan calls for an independent analysis of how the city allocates its finances and performs. He suggests the city learn from other cities

"As we educate ourselves, we engage the community and educate voters so we can build consensus around common sense solutions," Mahan says. "What's going to maximize tax dollars from the community?"

Closing statements

All of the candidates want to see a city government that is transparent, efficient, and fiscally responsible. Wang and Higgins Bradanini are against additional taxes.

"The city can't keep putting the burden on residents," Higgins Bradanini says.

Public safety, transportation, and building up the police force are priorities for Higgins Bradanini.

"It ties in with how we're taking care of the homeless, environment, and transportation," Higgins Bradanini says. "I am for our communities, for our families, and for all. It's about all of you, all of District 10, and all of San Iose."

Wang says that Coyote Valley and the wetlands are top priorities for her as she's focused on clean water for residents. She also wants to get the homeless off the streets.

Public safety and public infrastructure are fundamental to Mahan.

"If you don't feel safe, nothing else matters," Mahan says. "I want to make sure our communities are as strong as they can be. I want to be an independent voice for our neighborhoods."

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Homelessness: If it's a crisis, let's act like it!

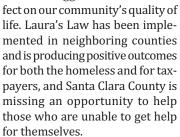
District 10

Report

By Johnny Khamis

San Jose City Councilmember
espite my five-year effort to
educate the public and
lobby the County Board of
Supervisors to implement Laura's
law, with the support of my colleagues on the San José City Council, County leaders failed to move
this law forward on January 28.

Laura's Law is a temporary, courtsupervised, involuntary conservatorship law that would help some of the most vulnerable mentally ill people on our streets. While it will help a small number of the overall population of unhoused people, that handful are the most severely mentally ill, have had several interactions with law enforcement, and have the biggest ef-



Despite this disappointment, I was pleased to see that, after many years without significant, focused action, the County made some progress, such as approving the O'Connor and St. Louise hospitals as clinical service sites for homeless individuals that need medical treatment, and enhancement of mental health services at the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center. County-wide, voters approved Measure A, a \$950 million affordable housing tax, to fund 120 new housing developments in Santa Clara County, including 4,800 units for extremely low-income individuals and families at risk of homelessness.

I remain concerned, however, that the County is not looking at quicker, more easily implemented, and less costly ways to house the unhoused. One strategy that San José has utilized is to refurbish older buildings, like the Plaza hotel, into transitional housing. Refurbishing existing spaces is quicker and cheaper than planning, designing, and building new transitional housing. The County previously passed up \$20 million in foundation funds to put with \$50 million in taxpayer funds to help con-

vert the old City Hall Annex building into 150 units of homeless housing and they're now looking to spend twice the money for nearly half the number of beds. I encourage them not to make that mistake again, when it comes to the existing jail structure. Instead of demolishing the building, they should seriously consider remod-

eling it into up to 674 beds for the unhoused. Building 674 beds of new transitional housing elsewhere would cost upwards of \$404 million.

Additionally, the county ought to consider housing uses for the underutilized fairgrounds that have seen three revitalization efforts dating back to 1998 fizzle out (a fourth plan, released back in October, would see it

become a "grand public space", but I'm not holding my breath). I encourage the county to consider buying existing buildings, even new ones, to address the housing crisis more quickly.

Our residents, and our unhoused, deserve a more urgent response to the crisis of homelessness. I call on the County to revisit Laura's Law and to find ways to get people into transitional housing faster, and at a lower cost to taxpayers.

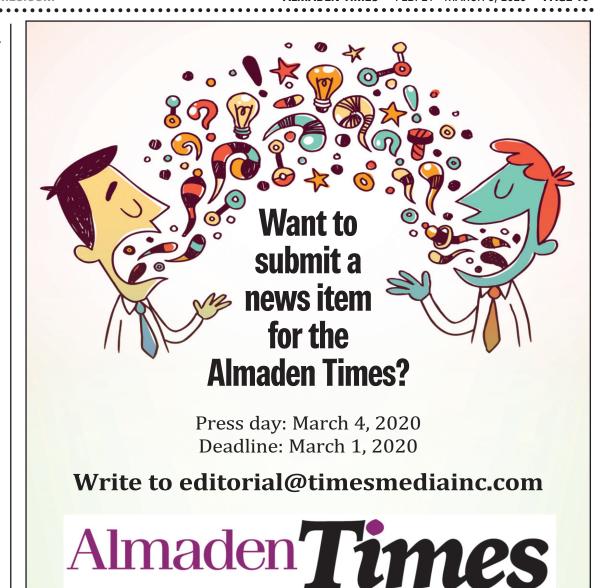


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cast iron cannon broke loose, it would tear apart a wooden ship, not to mention the havoc reeked upon the crew. Can you imagine a 40-ton battle tank loose in the hold of one of these Liberty or Victory ships? The ship would surely sink with all its cargo and at least some of its crew. Mary was very proud that she had such an important job.

Then, it was time for her to go. The woman taking Mary to the BART train station had finished her shift behind the Visitor Center's souvenir counter. As I watched Mary go, it felt like a butterfly chose to land on me, spending a moment to share its beauty with me, then flying away. As generous and brief as that, it was over. I have no photograph of us. But I have her book. I have her story. I have the memory of that moment. Lucky, indeed.

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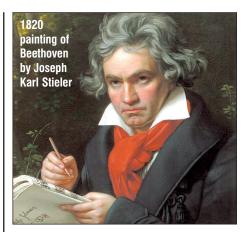
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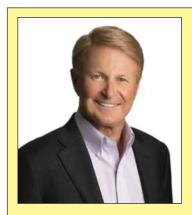
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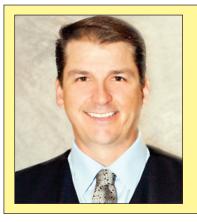


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10	BRYCE DR	PLAYA DEL REY	STARCREST DR
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10	CAHALAN AV	BLOSSOM HILL RD	LYONBURRY PL
10	CAHALAN AV	LYONBURRY PL	BLAIRBURRY WY
10	CAHALAN AV	BLAIRBURRY WY	CHESBRO AV
10	CALENDULA CT	VIOLETA CT	N END
10	CALIDA DR	CALPELLA DR	AMBOY DR
10	CALPELLA DR	CHILES CT	NARVAEZ AV
10	CANELA WY	VIOLETA CT	BRANHAM LN
10	CAREW WY	SOUTHCREST WY	CAHALAN AV
10	CHESBORO AV	BLOSSOM HILL RD	SOUTHCREST WY
10	CHILES CT	CHILES DR	S END
10	CHILES DR	AMBOY DR	CHILES CT
10	CHURCHILL PARK DR	BARRON PARK DR	CHYNOWETH AV
10	CHURCHILL PARK DR	BARRON PARK DR	CHYNOWETH AV
10	CHYNOWETH CT COONEY CT	CHYNOWETH AV COONEY PL	N END W END
10		BLOSSOM HILL RD	N END
10	COONEY PL DEEP PURPLE WY	STARDUST LN	GLENBURRY WY
10	DEVON PARK CT	CHYNOWETH AV	S END
10	DUNRAVEN CT	NEW WORLD DR	W END
10	DUNSBURRY CT	DUNSBURRY WY	S END
10	DUNSBURRY WY	GLENBURRY WY	DUNSBURRY CT
10	FARMHOUSE CT	BLOSSOM HILL RD	W END
10	FORT ROYAL PL	BRANHAM LN	S END
10	GAUNDABERT LN	CHYNOWETH AV	RUTHERGLEN PL
10	GAUNDABERT LN	RUTHERGLEN PL	E END
10	GAVIN CT	CANELA WY	W END
10	GLENBURRY WY	STARCREST DR	520 W/STARCREST DR
10	GLENBURRY WY	520W/STARCREST DR	THORNHOOD DR
10	GLENBURRY WY	W END	BLAIRBURRY WY
10	GLOUCHESTER CT	CHYNOWETH AV	N END
10	HARRY RD	HENWOOD RD	CAMDEN AV
10	HATHAWAY CT	NEW WORLD DR	W END
10	HORNBLOWER CT	NEW COMPTON DR	S END
10	HYDE PARK DR	VISTAPARK DR	CHYNOWETH AV
10	HYDE PARK DR	CHYNOWETH AV	GAUNDABERT LN
10	IVANHOE CT	BARRON PARK DR	S END
10	KINGS CROSS WY	BARRON PARK DR	GAUNDABERT LN
10	LOCHBURRY CT	GLENBURRY WY	W END
10	LYONBURRY CT	CAHALAN AV	S END
10	MAPLECREST CT	SHADOWCREST WY	E END
10	MASSACHUSETTS DR	NEW COMPTON DR	CHYNOWETH AV
10	MOONGLOW CT	STARDUST LN	N END
10	MUIRHOUSE	GAUNDABERT LN	W END

San Jose City Pavement Maintenance three-year plan ('20-'22) released

he three-year San Jose City Pavement Maintenance Plan from 2020 through 2022 has been released as part of the nine-year project.

The pavement plan will preserve and rehabilitate 213 miles of major streets and 420 miles of local/neighborhood streets.

The City of San Jose's pavement maintenance program made history last year with a 280-mile pavement maintenance program in 2019

The 2019 projects are now completed, and that was just the beginning of a nine-year program to repave every mile of local and neighborhood streets in San Jose, while continuing to care for our major streets as well.

By the end of the nine-year pavement maintenance program, 1490 miles of local streets and 944 miles of major streets will have been improved.

The City's Department of Transportation is prioritizing contiguous areas to ensure we get as much paving done as possible for the allocated tax money.

The initial focus is on project zones with the lowest average PCI (pavement condition index), which is an average score across a larger area, so while you may be on a street that is worse than most streets in the area, it may not be within a zone with as many poorly-rated streets as another area.

For the 2020 construction season, the pavement maintenance program is funded to the tune of \$111.8 million dollars by a variety of sources: SB1, VTA Measure B, Measure T, and a federal grant. The first three sources will support the City's budget and program throughout the remainder of the 9-year duration.

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