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Megan Leong, Director of the San Jose Branch of Zoomers to Boomers

## **Zoomers to Boomers** offers free grocery delivery to Covid-19 high risk group

egan Leong, a high school senior, is Director of the San Jose Branch of the non-profit Zoomers to Boomers and has recently expanded the reach of the organization to the South Bay Area.

For those who are in a high risk group of Covid-19, you can qualify for free grocery deliveries from the non-profit Zoomers to Boomers.

This relativity new non-profit is  $an\, organization\, of\, volunteers\, under$ thirty, who deliver groceries to the elderly and immunocompromised with a free delivery fee. The areas served include: San Jose, Saratoga, Campbell, Willow Glen, Cupertino, Los Gatos, and Santa Clara through the San Jose page on the website zoomerstoboomers.com.

"Our goal is to keep those highrisk groups safe and flatten the curve," said Megan. "We want to help as many people as possible with orders delivered within two days after submitting a grocery list."

Editor's note: Zoomers to Boomers operates Monday-Saturday, there are not deliveries on Sunday. Any order made before 5 p.m. will be delivered within two business days. Due to the high volume of requests, please only make one order per week. Visit: zoomertoboomers.com and click on the San Jose order icon.

## Volunteering during the time of the coronavirus

By Lorraine Gabbert Almaden Times

olunteers — including Almaden residents — are stepping up during the coronavirus pandemic, helping those on the front lines, as well as those isolated at home.

As sheltering in place caused a dramatic decrease in volunteers. especially at food banks, organizations like #CaliforniansForAll, Com-



Dr. David Crockett, an emergency room doctor wears one of the masks donated by Almaden Country Day School. Photo courtesy of Dr. Olaf Jorgenson, Head of School, Almaden Country Day School.

pass Collective and Doing Good Together created guidelines for getting involved, including virtual volunteering. Almaden Country School, which has a rich history of community service, provided essential supplies to nurses and doctors.

## #CaliforniansForAll

Led by Chief Service Officer, Josh Fryday, California Volunteers connects volunteers with service organizations. The #Californians-ForAll initiative, launched in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, builds on the efforts of California Volunteers to match volunteers with high-priority volunteer opportunities.

Governor Gavin Newsom launched #CaliforniansForAll as a volunteering approach to "capturing that spirit of generosity, the spirit of contribution... so people can share their action and passion in a more deliberative and ultimately a more impactful way."

According to Fryday, the importance of service and volunteering now is especially critical for residents as well as the nonprofits they

"It's important that we don't become socially isolated," he said, "...and that for our own mental and



Brothers man a donation station to raise funds for Sole Hope. Photo courtesy of Ashley Raggio, Director, Doing Good Together, Silicon Valley.

physical health, we feel like we have a purpose and a community that we're part of. Volunteering and giving back is one of the most important things we can do to maintain that sense of community. We want people to stay connected during this time, we want them to help each other and we want them to do it safely."

Service opportunities provided by #CaliforniansForAll range from phoning neighbors to make sure they have food and supplies, delivering meals to seniors, donating

blood, making face coverings and supporting food banks, shelters and nonprofits.

Following the shelter in place orders due to the coronavirus, food banks in California, which are largely made up of senior volunteers, suffered up to a 70 percent decrease in volunteers. The California National Guard, California Conservation Corps and AmeriCorps were called in to add their support.

As blood centers across the state following COVID-19 also experienced See VOLUNTEERING, page 15

## Mayor Liccardo rejects calls to defund police

an Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo recently stated that efforts to defund police budgets will undermine substantive efforts at police reform, hurting the very communities most in need of help.

"We have much work to do to confront our long and terrible history of police brutality against black and brown Americans," said Mayor Liccardo. "Defunding urban police departments won't help us do it. It is the wrong idea at the worst possible time and the budget released tomorrow will reflect that."

Liccardo cites U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics data showing that communities of color are disproportionate victims of serious and violent crimes, and that any cuts in police staffing will disproportionately harm the very communities that need to see progress.

"Defunding police will hurt the very people who have suffered the most from systemic racism in this nation," Mayor Liccardo said. "Rich, white communities and businesses in suburban malls will just accelerate the hiring of private securi-



'Law enforcement needs reform not reduction'

- Mayor Liccardo

ty guards."

Last week, Liccardo called for a ban on the use of rubber bullets in crowds, expanding the authority of San Jose's civilian independent police auditor, and a full review of San Jose's use of force policies, among other measures. He has also called for greater accountability for officer misconduct so bad cops can be fired faster.

Derrick Sanderlin, a community organizer who has trained San Jose police officers on implicit bias, See POLICE, page 2



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## Dogs provide life changing impact and support for people

In this challenging time, we all need a break, some happy news, and some inspiration, and what better way than through the ways animals and people are transformed?

The Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV), the first organization ever to earn model shelter status according to the guidelines set forth by the Association of Shelter Veterinarians, has an uplifting story on one of their latest adoptions of one of their fourlegged friends, **Axel** (pictured, right).

Axel is a high-energy sweet Doberman who was recently adopted during the statewide shelter-in-place through HSSV's new virtual adoption process.

Axel's new family adopted him to be an emotional and behavioral support dog for their young son with ADHD and sensory processing issues related to autism. The 2-year-old Doberman is enjoying his new home and has bonded closely with the family's son, who was having difficulty focusing and adjusting to change.

The family is very excited about their ability to adopt Axel virtually, as they had been looking for an emotional/behavioral support dog. Since bringing Axel home, their son has been able to focus on his school work, expressing his feelings without being as angry or frustrated and has in general benefitted from having Axel by his side.

Axel's family says that he is growing more sweet and affectionate by the day, and is so comfortable in his new home. He stays by his family's side all day long and constantly nudges them for more attention and cuddles.

To learn more about Humane Society Sil-



icon Valley and their life-saving programs, visit www.HSSV.org

About Humane Society Silicon Valley: Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) is an independent, privately funded, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization serving people and pets for over 90 years. In 2017, HSSV became the first organization ever to earn model shelter status according to the guidelines set forth by the Association of Shelter Veterinarians. As an independent non-profit organization, HSSV does not receive funding from Humane Society of the United States, ASPCA or state and federal government entities. HSSV offers quality adoptions, affordable spaying/neutering, vaccinations, microchipping services, pet care services, and education programs to enhance the human-animal bond. Established in 1929, HSSV has adopted more than 500,000 animals into permanent, loving homes. Animal welfare is their top priority and their mission is to save and enhance lives.

## **Police**

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suffered potentially permanent injuries caused by a rubber bullet at a recent demonstration in the city

As the mayor of America's 10th largest city, Liccardo noted the San Jose Police Department's recent progress in eliminating the long-standing disparity between officers' use of force rates and arrest rates against persons of color but said that the police reforms started in San Jose in previous years need to go farther, including changes to union contracts and laws that create obstacles to ensuring officer accountability—particularly the firing of bad cops. The San Jose reforms that have led to this progress include:

- Collecting data to track every pat down, stop, arrest or use of force by race, and publishing that data;
- Hiring external experts to analyze data and make recommendations;
- Investing millions of dollars in body-worn cameras and video data storage;
- Imposing mandatory training for officers in violence de-escalation and implicit racial bias;

- Utilizing data tools to detect misconductprone officers earlier;
- Enhancing psychological testing and screening in the City's police academies; and,
- Intentional investment in recruiting officers to better reflect the community's diversity.

Liccardo noted that all of these initiatives require funding, especially to backfill the thousands of police hours that are spent in training classes instead of on patrol. "Defunding police undermines progress on these and other tools to improve accountability, training, and recruiting," Liccardo said.

Mayor Liccardo also noted that "defunding" proponents need to be realistic about what cuts will actually do to programs within many urban police departments. "Any Police Chief or City Council will be loath to cut the lifeline 911 emergency response that patrol officers provide to communities in moments of distress," Liccardo observed. "Instead, they'll wring savings from programs that work proactively to build stronger communities in troubled neighborhoods, such as crime prevention, Police Activities League, and community outreach."



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## Milburn of Almaden earns Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Bimolecular Engineering

**Emily Milburn** of Almaden Valley has earned a Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Milburn completed her internship as a Research Guidance Intern at ExxonMobil in 2018.

Milburn served as swim coach for the Montevideo Piranhas in San Jose, from 2014 to 2016, teaching kids 5-18 years old, and helped run swim meets and organize relays.

Milburn was among undergraduate and graduate students who earned degrees during the Spring 2020 semester virtual graduation May 1. They will also be honored during in-person commencement ceremonies to be held on campus later this year.

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## Valley Currents

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## Almaden Women's Club awards scholarships to high school seniors

By Beth Swartz

Special to the Times

ach year the Almaden Valley Women's Club hosts the annual Almaden Art & Wine Festival where funds are set aside for local area non-profit organizations as well as scholarships for high school seniors.

The scholarship application process asks students to focus on their contributions to the community as well as their academic achievements throughout their high school careers.

This year there were ten area high school seniors who received scholarships.

## Serafina Alhadad

Volunteering for organizations was always a key focus in Serafina's time as a high schooler. She was involved in the Girls Up club at her high school where she helped to get a petition passed to send



girls in Guatemala to school. On a local level, Serafina dedicates an extraordinary amount of time volunteering for her church youth group and the YMCA doing things like caroling at senior homes and fostering kids' love of sports as a referee. Serafina graduated from Leland High School and plans to attend UC Berkeley in the fall.

## Caroline Barbar Askar

Caroline started a book club at Pioneer High School and took it to a new level by holding book drives, successfully collecting hundreds of books that were donated to an elementary school in Ethiopia. Caro-



line also developed a music program which she and fellow students performed at rest homes and care facilities. Caroline plans to attend Santa Clara University in the fall where she will major in biology.

## Renee Boissier

Renee is an exceptional student who is graduating a year early from Pioneer High School and has accepted an offer from UC Davis. She has been heavily involved in drama, is a talented musician and has exhibited outstanding



leadership qualities in her school life and volunteer accomplishments. Renee will study theater at UC Davis in the fall.

## **Cole Bushur**

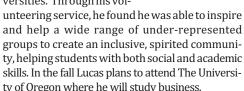
Cole is an excellent student with an equally impressive list of volunteer activities. Cole was involved in St. Timothy's annual Mexico Mission trip where he helped build



homes, run community programs and serve at an orphanage in one of the most impoverished sections of Tijuana. Cole also participated in numerous service events serving San Jose's homeless community with the Mercy Mobile Homeless Ministry, served with the Village House rotating homeless shelter and the St. Timothy's South Valley Fish Food Pantry. Cole is a hardworking, intelligent and compassionate individual who has made a big impact in the lives of others. Cole will attend Cal Poly in the fall where he will study Civil Engineering.

## **Lucas Coan**

Lucas is a remarkable leader, an accomplished academic scholar and an outstanding athlete who has been accepted to a number of excellent Universities. Through his vol-



## Tristan Hanna

Tristan has been actively involved in Boy Scouts from 5th grade - 12th grade and with the South Bay Blue Mom's Organization - assembling care packages to send overseas. He was active with Music



and Karate in High School. He has shown excellent leadership qualities within his volunteer work in the Boy Scouts and working with homeless in our community. Tristan will attend the University of Oregon in the fall.

## **Corey Moore**

In spite of health and family struggles, Corey Moore has been involved in many community service projects and maintained an excellent grade point average. His biggest project was his trip to Cam-



bodia where he taught basic programming using robotics at the Doris Dillon School located there. He was given a commendation for his work there providing hope and inspiration to the students there. Corey plans to attend Westmont Universi-

ty in Santa Barbara in the fall where he will study to be a radiologist.

## Christina Simon

Christina was an active member of the Speech & Debate Club as well as her Senior Class Vice President at Leland High School in



addition to volunteering for two major medical facilities – the Saratoga Pediatric Subacute Hospital and Kaiser Permanente. Christina learned not just compassion through her volunteer work but discovered a passion for helping others. She will attend UC Santa Barbara in the fall where she hopes to major in Biopsychology.

## **Kathy Swartz**

Kathy worked hard to overcome some educational challenges to become an accomplished student who accepted an offer to attend Southern Oregon University, her first choice of colleges. Kathy was able to



take her school experiences and use them to help other students who were also struggling in school. Her teachers describe her as a mature student who displays a great deal of empathy through her compassionate leadership. Kathy will study Creative Writing at Southern Oregon University.

## Zakk Teixeira

Zakk Teixeira's volunteer work at Sacred Heart and Holy Spirit Church showed him an appreciation for the gifts in his life and taught him the need to give back to others. While volunteering Zakk



said the most valuable lesson her learned is "the importance of giving back to your community and providing for others." Zakk plans to attend De Anza College in the fall where he will study Biology/Pre-Med.

For more information about the women's club, please visit: www.almadenwomen.org

## Three Almaden residents graduate cum laude from University of San Diego

dorina Bebla, Tyler Bullock and Kelsey Morris of Almaden graduated cum laude from the University of San Diego.

Bebla earned a bachelor's degree in Accountancy; Bullock earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science; and Morris earned a bachelor's degree in Biochemistry.

The University of San Diego, with more than 9,000 students from 75 countries and 44 states, is the youngest independent institution on the U.S. News & World Report list of top 100 universities in the United States.

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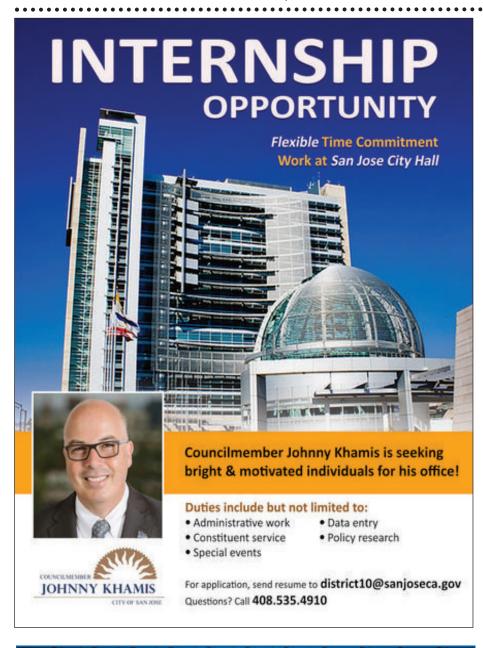
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## **OpEd**

## **Our COVID contact tracing method is stuck in 2006**

## By Matt Mahan

Special to the Times

Here's an image of the phone I had after college and before the iPhone launched in 2007.

It was recently reported that Santa Clara County is struggling to hire the contact tracers it needs to help contain COVID-19 transmission as we reopen.

While this is concerning news and the County must do better, I'm left wondering if we are approaching the problem correctly.

Our focus on manual contact tracing appears to be a lost opportunity, especially in Silicon Valley where we have the resources and knowhow to build better tools and improve how government solves problems.

First, let me explain what contact tracing is and why it's important. When someone tests positive for COVID-19, public health workers interview the individual to identify other people with whom they were recently in contact. Exposed contacts are asked to get tested and self-quarantine until they have results. The goal of this "test-trace-isolate" strategy is to break chains of viral transmission.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, a number of countries have successfully used contact tracing--plus widespread testing and facemask use--to help keep their societies relatively open and safe.

In these countries, cell phones and other data sources are used to pinpoint exactly where infected individuals were and who else may have been infected. Text messaging is used to quickly alert exposed individuals and connect them with testing resources.

The problem with this approach, however, is that it relies on invasive data collection and reporting with minimal privacy protections that violate our cherished civil liberties. Therefore, we need a different solution, one that does not require a choice between efficacy and liberty.

Fortunately, people are developing such approaches, including one from a resident right here in Almaden. I recently had the privilege of speaking with Dino Farinacci, a distinguished network engineer and former Cisco Fellow, who is building such a system with peer technologists. Dino has done some of the foundational work on internet protocols that enable greater privacy protections.

Dino's team is building a contact tracing plat-

form called "CT-LISP" (stands for Contact Tracing - Locator/ID Separation Protocol) that leverages the power of near-ubiquitous smartphone ownership (the iPhone launched in 2007, hence the title) while using his earlier work to guarantee privacy.

Rather than design for the needs of a centralized public health department, Dino's team's platform is built around the value it can provide to an individual user. People who (voluntarily) install the app receive alerts when they've recently come into close contact with someone who has not been tested for COVID or has tested positive in the last five days. The platform can also inform a user when they want to go to a high-density area (e.g. grocery store) if it is safe or should be avoided.

Critically, the app doesn't store information about the individual, including name, address, or social security number. The genius of the system Dino and his colleagues are building is that sensitive information remains where it is already held, which is in the care of the Public Health Department (PHD).

Instead, their system uses a cryptographic hash and password of the user's phone number to create a unique identifier the PHD uses to store health state data for the owner of that device, who remains unknown to the system. This data is used to initiate text alerts to other phones that were exposed, but does not contain any individual information. The text alert simply gives you a count of non-tested and tested-positive cases in your 10-meter perimeter. Encrypted data pulled from the PHD is archived for 10 days and then deleted.

Their platform is ready to be deployed, assuming it has a willing governmental partner. At that point, the biggest challenge will be user adoption--i.e. will enough people install the app to make the tool valuable from a public health standpoint? Here, government can help. Public health restrictions cost individuals, businesses and governments billions of dollars per day. Paying residents to install an app that enables this test-trace-isolate strategy would be a trivial cost in comparison.

My hope is that our PHD will experiment with privacy-first, technology-enabled solutions like CT-LISP that could help us reopen more safely.

If you are interested in learning more or want to help, send email to support@lispers.net.

**Times Community** 

## Police defund or reform discussion: June 12

San Jose City Councilmember Johnny Khams will be hosting a special Community Connections on Saturday, June 13th at 10 a.m. where he will be joined by the City's Independent Police Auditor, Shivaun Nurre.

"We'll be talking about the IPA's role in police oversight and the police reforms that San Jose has adopted in recent years," said Khamis. "In the past week I have received over 1,400 emails - and numerous phone calls - demanding that the City defund our police force."

Khamis explained, "With the most lightly-staffed big-city police department in the United States and with a police chief committed to always improving how we do policing, I don't believe defunding the police is the answer. Instead, we must continue on the path of reform - a path San Jose started on decades ago. Accountability is the key to preventing more horrific scenes like we saw in Minneapolis"

To join the Zoom meeting, register at this link: bit.ly/D10June132020. The meeting will also be streamed live on Khamis' Facebook page.

## **Accountability is key**

**District 10** 

Report

By Johnny Khamis

Special to the Times

his is a difficult time for our country. I remain outraged by the scene of brutality and reckless disregard for human life we witnessed at the hands of the Minneapolis ex-police officer, now charged with second-degree murder. We must acknowledge this is not the first incident of injustice affecting our black community and I hear the calls to reform policing and hold officers accountable.

I am proud to live in San Jose, where, long before the current protests and outpouring of anger, our City made significant strides to place accountability at the fore-

front of policing. We have a police chief committed to improving screening, training, and tactics throughout his department. And our City is committed to seeing further reforms.

In 1993, the San Jose City Council established an Independent Police Auditor (IPA). The IPA is a police oversight body, separate and independent from the San Jose Police Department (SJPD), reporting directly to Council. The IPA reviews allegations of police misconduct, audits use of force, and recommends policy changes to improve policing. During

my time as Councilmember, the IPA has made many recommendations and the SJPD has implemented policies including:

- Providing Fair and Impartial Policing (FIP) training to civilian and sworn staff to counteract unconscious biases.
- Analyzing limited detention data on traffic and pedestrian stops to identify racial and/or ethnic disparities to ensure policing is fair and impartial.
- Increasing transparency and accountability by requiring the use of body-worn cameras.
- Updating the Department's Duty Manual on Tactical Conduct to mitigate the need for force.

Chief Garcia is a strong proponent of reforms and was the

first police chief in the nation to speak out against the police tactics used against George Floyd. The chief leads the most lightly-staffed police department, per capita, than any big city in America, and yet we have one of the safest cities in the country. This is, in great part, due to the hard-won trust and cooperation that has developed between our diverse community and our police department.

Even with the reforms our City has implemented, there is more we can do to improve accountability. One reform would be to expand

the powers of the IPA. The IPA already analyzes each use-of-force incident and conduct unbecoming of a police officer (CUBO) complaint. An additional reform would allow the IPA to review internal investigations initiated by the police administration. The San Jose Police Officers Association has agreed to a ballot measure which would provide this additional, independent oversight.

Aside from continual analysis and reforms led by our IPA, additional recommendations regarding the certification process can be implemented to further strengthen accountability. In other professions, such as law and medicine, lawyers and doctors can lose their licenses as a result of a serious violation of their Code of Ethics. By implementing certification reforms, when an officer is fired for conduct worthy of termination, the officer would also lose his or her peace officer certification from the State, similar to how a lawyer is disbarred. For the officer to be recertified, they would have to make an appeal to a professional board to be reinstated as a peace officer. This reform would eliminate the current practice where a terminated police officer is hired by another law enforcement agency.

The SJPD was an early adopter of many of the reforms protesters are now demanding. Our diverse police force is committed to being a positive example to other departments across the state and nation. Accountability remains the key to our continually-improving system. I encourage all those engaged in peaceful protest to join me in seeking further reforms in a City long committed to excellence in policing





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## San José Unified School District issues statement on unnecessary loss of life

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┓he San José Unified School District President of the Board of Education, Teresa Castellanos, and the Superintendent of Schools, Nancy Albarrán issued a statement on the unjustified taking of life from our black and brown

communities.

"On behalf of the San José Unified community, we cannot begin to express the hurt we are feeling due to the continued taking of lives. George Floyd in Minnesota, Ahmadu Arbury in Georgia, and Breonna Taylor in Kentucky are just the recent examples of the unjustified taking of life from our black and brown communities

As one of California's most diverse public school districts, San José Unified has its own history of racism, discrimination, and social injustice. We learn from that history and strive to not repeat it. We cannot tolerate anything that diminishes the dignity each and every member of the San José Unified community is entitled to.

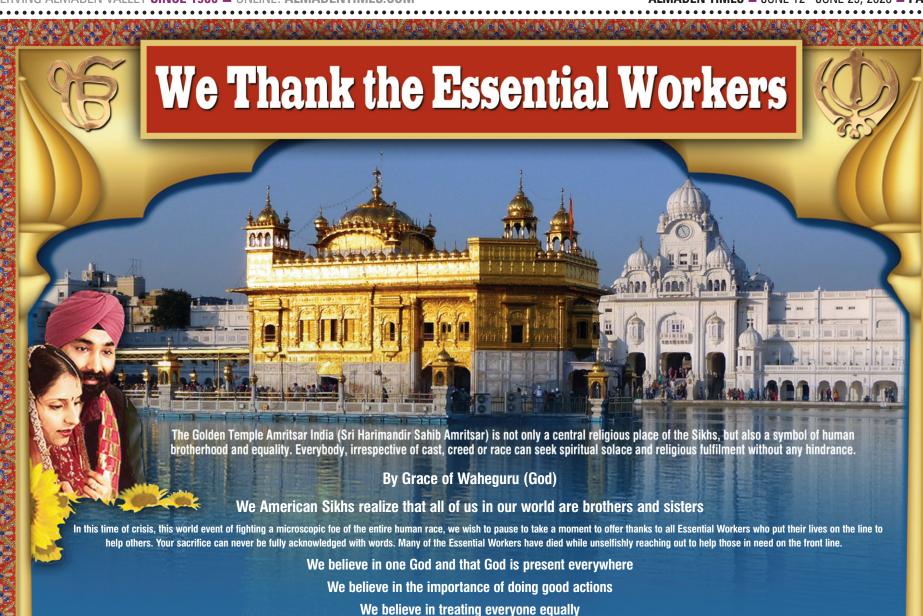
San José Unified knows that you can't gloss over what has already happened, that you can't replace stolen dignity, that you can't restore lost lives. We need to ensure that we never deny any member of our society

their dignity. Never. It is the only way to safeguard us from the next unnecessary tragedy.

We must denounce all forms of racism, discrimination, and social injustice. All people must be valued for their inherent humanity and treated ethically. As students, families, teachers, and staff, we must commit ourselves to ensuring that this is the policy of all public institutions and those holding

San José Unified is a diverse community made stronger by our history. We know from our own experiences that change is possible. It is our responsibility to come together and leverage our strengths to end all forms of racism, discrimination, and social injustice."





Often divides exist when others do not know but in times of crisis we all pull together! We are all one! We are the Human Race. You may not have known little things about us.

Did you know most Sikhs have three names. First names often incorporate sounds associated with God.

Many Sikh names begin or end in -preet (love), -deep (light) or -jit (victory), and are compound names. For example, Amandeep means "light of peace"—aman (peace) combined with deep (light).

Did you know our middle names demonstrate Sikh identity as well as promote equality. Boys are often given the middle name Singh (lion), and girls the name Kaur (princess, or daughter of king).

This tradition dates back to the 1600's.

Our last names are often a family tradition. However, many Sikhs choose not to use their family names and instead use Kaur or Singh as a last name.

The reason why we mention this is to let you know more about us so we can work more closely together in San Jose to help as a TEAM and family. We embrace all people of all religions and backgrounds.

When you see us and you see our turbans, just know that we honor you as brothers and sisters in all we do. It is our way. Also we thank all of the Essential Workers who are heroes to us and with us.

Of course we also firmly believe women and men are equal and one of our kind beliefs is to help the less fortunate.

We did this in many ways during this Crisis Time. We were so pleased to start our new Free Food Drive Thru outreach. We offered touchless assistance as many drove their cars to get a wonderfully prepared bag of foods and goods. Members of the community from all faiths helped us on such concepts and in working with us with distribution.

For example, we delivered healthy complimentary lunches to all hospitals serving doctors and janitors with equity. It was gratifying to get asked by the Mountain View Police Department to supply over time over 1,100 bags of food that they could distribute to houseless individuals. Each bag had over ten items of nourishing foods. We also went to give complimentary foods to postal workers. Many new ideas of assistance were formulated during this Crisis, including supplying large bags of rice and beans to other nonprofits, so they could incorporate them into kitchen-cooked complimentary nutritional foods for the less fortunate.

We embrace the tapestry of friendship that is strongly woven in San Jose and beyond. We thank the residents of San Jose and too the work of all Essential Workers during this challenging time.

In the future months, after the crisis, please join us in one of our many community complimentary events. Each person is equally important and special in our eyes. It is who we are.

## HERE ARE KIND MESSAGES TO THE ESSENTIAL WORKERS BY OUR CITY AND COUNTY LEADERS

"I am continually awed by the dedication of the first responders and essential workers who do their jobs while putting themselves at risk during this health crisis. We all owe them a huge debt of gratitude.

Thank you also to the San Jose Gurdwara for creating this tribute to the men and women who care for those with COVID-19 and their families."

**Dave Cortese-Supervisor District 3** 

"Essential service workers and first responders on the front-lines during COVID-19 are risking their health and those of their loved ones to ensure that our residents have access to groceries, medical care, and other critical services during this time. I am grateful to essential service workers and our residents, like the members of the San Jose Sikh Gurdwara, who have also stepped up to offer support, organized personal protective equipment drives and food drives for our community. People such as essential service workers, first responders, and community volunteers are the local heroes that keep our city safe and we all owe a great deal of gratitude to them for their service."

Sylvia Arenas - San Jose Councilwoman District 8

"Even before the coronavirus pandemic, essential workers have always been the backbone of our economy and community. They have helped many of you by feeding you, keeping you safe, and most importantly keeping you healthy. They risk their lives and health for us everyday. They're more than essential they're lifesavers. Join me in thanking them for all that they have done for you, your family, and our communities."

Magdalena Carrasco - San Jose Councilwoman District 5

www.SanJoseGurdwara.org



## Congratulation

ongratulations to the Bret Harte Class of 2020. You have truly demonstrated resilience and determination during this challenging time. We know that great adventures and great successes are ahead for each of you!

With pride today and always, Bret Harte Middle School Administration and Staff

Congratulations on completing middle school, a significant milestone on your educational journey! While we can't honor your achievement in person, I hope you pause to reflect on your successes. From learning your ABC's to what it means to study, kick a ball, speak up for yourself or be a good friend, you have hundreds of accomplishments to be proud of. I wish you all the best in your transition to high school and look forward to seeing all that you achieve, both in high school and beyond.

-Kimberly Meek, Trustee, San Jose Unified Board of Education

The Bret Harte Community Club would like to extend our Congratulations to the Bret Harte 2020 Graduates! You've all worked hard to achieve your goals even during this pandemic. Now you're on your way to high school to seek new opportunities, embark on who you are and embrace life with passion towards your goals. Go for it and best wishes to you all for high school! **—Yael Kharman & Shallu Bhalla**, *BHCC Co-presidents 2019-2020* 

Congratulations to the graduates of Bret Harte Middle School! By now you have realized that you cannot plan for everything life throws at you, and yet all of you have had to learn and exhibit two key skills from this experience: adaptability and perseverance. These are critical skills that will serve you well as you proceed into high school and beyond. I should know, I'll have to adapt and persevere in my life without my City Council staff!

Success in whatever you do in life will come down to your ability to overcome unforeseen obstacles. Just as you had no choice but to adjust your learning and social lives to protect your health, you will realize again that the only direction in life is to move forward. To move forward, you will need to be creative and find other solutions to surprise challenges. The road may be long, but the reward for those who persevere is great.

My own life path has taught me this lesson, especially these past 8 years as I have served and supported our district schools as your councilmember. It will be my honor to find new ways to continue to do so as a private citizen.

—Johnny Khamis, San Jose Councilmember, District 10

Congratulations to the Bret Harte Class of 2020! In these difficult times you give us hope for a bright future. I wish you success and fulfillment in high school and beyond! — Matt Mahan, San Jose Council-elect, District 10

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## is, Bret Harte 2020 Grads!

Congratulations Bret Harte Class of 2020! A special congratulations to the graduates who received Project Cornerstone awards over the past three years. Thank you for being student leaders and excellent examples of our school's character assets: Cooperation, Helping Others, Good Judgment, Reliability, Respectfulness, Honesty, Responsibility, Caring, and Commitment to Excellence. You are role models and help to build Bret Harte into the great community that it is!

- Michelle Etter, BHCC Project Cornerstone Chair

Congratulations to the Bret Harte Class of 2020, new beginning, new chapter, new endeavors. Wish you good luck as you step ahead towards your dreams. Keep the courage as you face new challenges in life.

- Lopa Shah, BHCC Promotion Dance Co-Chair

We would like to congratulate and acknowledge the Bret Harte Class of 2020. It has been difficult during these times of uncertainty, we hope you take all the lessons learned from your teachers and life itself and continue on to a higher education at whichever high school you choose. We are proud of your accomplishments, your abilities to acclimate to change, and your perseverance for the future. CONGRATULATIONS!

— Gina Morkal, BHCC Promotion

Every generation has to cope with threats large and small, and COVID-19 was breathtaking in its suddenness and immediacy. I'm so proud of you and your community for toughing out an astonishing turn of events and not losing site of your goals, despite a very rough learning environment. Don't ever let your problems define you or your generation; let it be the things you learned, the friends you made, and the stories you tell. — **Lisa Stapleton**, A Former BH Graduate

Congratulations, Bret Harte Broncos. Remember to always be brave, be strong, be hopeful, and be kind.

- Uyenthy Nguyen, BHCC Promotion Chair

Wishing all Bret Harte 8th graders a better year ahead in high school and the very best in years to come. You are all academically prepared for 9th grade and we shall remember the Class of 2020. I'm hoping a magic wand will be your first invention so it will cure and make the world right. Thinking of you to infinity and beyond and always hold BRET HARTE close to your heart and keep reading.

— Mrs Adele Shepard, Bret Harte Library

Spending time on the quad once a month and having the opportunity to speak with you and listen to your stories about your everyday heroes was a privilege for me throughout the last couple years of middle school. Well, congratulations are in order again. You made history; and for your resilience, hard work, and ability to adapt, you are now and forever everyday heroes. So excited about your future. Spring forward and be the role models for the next generation down. It doesn't take much – remember that the small action can mean the world to someone else. So proud of all the Bret Harte grads!

— Natalie Miller, BHCC, Co-chair Everyday Heroes

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## **Times Community News**

## Mackenzie Meyer of Almaden Valley named to the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society at McDaniel College

ackenzie Meyer of Almaden Valley, a student at McDaniel College, Westminster, Md., has been named to the Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society.

Meyer, who graduated from Pioneer High School, is majoring in Biology. She is currently on the McDaniel College Women's Cross Country Team.

Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, was installed at the College in 1963. Membership in the society is a high honor, for it carries with it the responsibility of encouraging students in leadership and community service. Juniors and seniors who stand in the upper 35 percent of their classes are eligible and selected on the basis of exceptional leadership in various aspects of campus life.



McDaniel College, founded in 1867, is a four-year, independent college of the liberal arts and sciences offering more than 70 undergraduate programs of study, including pre-professional specializations and student-designed majors, and over 20 graduate programs.

## Could protests spark a 2nd viral wave?

Thousands of people have taken to the streets in protest of their displeasure about police brutality recently following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

Now health officials are raising concerns about new coronavirus outbreaks among the crowds, prompting political leaders, experts to issue warnings, urging the demonstrators to wear masks and maintain social distancing.

Reporting shows that more than 100,000 Americans have died of coronavirus and individuals of color have been particularly hard hit.

Tear gas and pepper spray used by police to disperse crowds cause people to tear up and cough, increase respiratory secretions from the eyes, nose and mouth, further enhancing the possibility of transmission. Some health experts believe that the coro-

navirus can linger in the air for as long as 8-14 minutes.

San Jose Police Chief Eddie Garcia said, "San Jose police made more than 100 arrests during the protests — including the woman who drove her SUV through the crowd — and had grounds to use tear gas and rubber bullets against protesters."

In Los Angeles, demonstrations led to the closing of virus testing sites Saturday. Mayor Eric Garcetti warned that the protests could become "super-spreader events."

In Maryland, Gov. Larry Hogan expressed concern that his state would see a spike in cases in about two weeks, which is about how long it takes for symptoms to emerge after someone is infected. In Atlanta, mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms advised people who were out protesting "to go get a COVID test this week."

Although some infectious disease experts were reassured by the fact that the protests were held outdoors which could mitigate the risk, more than 40 percent of the protestors

have not been wearing masks. However, most of the crowds are on the younger side and younger adults generally have better outcomes if they become infected.

Dr. Ashish Jha, a professor and director of the Harvard Global Health Institute, said, "Arresting, transporting or jailing protesters increases the potential for spreading the virus. Jha called on protesters to refrain from violence and urged police to exercise restraint.



Protesters faced off with a line of San Jose police officers in the third day of protests over the death of George Floyd, an unarmed black man in Minneapolis. *Photo by Luke Johnson* 

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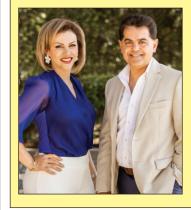
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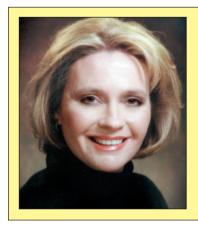


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## **Times Community**

## Coronavirus: California plans to allow schools, gyms and bars to reopen sooner with Phase 3

Gov. Gavin Newsom has announced new criteria related to coronavirus hospitalizations and testing that could allow counties to open faster.

The new criteria paves the way for schools, gyms, bars and many other businesses to resume operations beginning Friday, June 12. Additionally, campgrounds, RV Parks and casinos operated by sovereign tribal nations may also reopen.

According to data compiled by the Bay Area News Group, more than 3,000 new coronavirus cases were added to the state's totals Friday and the death toll crossed 4,500, but surges in case numbers can be attributed in part to increased testing around the state.

As many Bay Area counties move close to Phase 2 reopening Friday, state officials went a step further and offered detailed plans for counties that wish to move into Phase 3 of a four-phase plan for loosening California's stay-at-home order restrictions.

"Just because some businesses are opening doesn't mean your risk for COVID-19 is gone," Dr. Sonia Angell, State Public Health Officer, said in a press release. "We all need to continue to keep physical distancing, wash our hands and wear face coverings in public."

## **School guidance**

The California Department of Public Health made an exception for schools as it released statewide guidance that includes a list of best practices for the practical realities of managing school operations for the upcoming academic year.

The state has committed to providing notouch thermometers for every school and childcare facility, face shields for approximately 2.4 million teachers and childcare providers, more than 14 million cloth face coverings for students and 143,000 gallons of hand sanitizer.

Before schools reopen, day camps will operate during the summer. The state's Department of Public Health encourages small groups of campers to stay together all day, every day and for camps to prioritize outdoor activities.



## Stories4Students2020: Free virtual interactive storytime for kids

**Lindsey Nguyen** (pictured above), a high school senior, has started Stories4Students2020, an initiative to help young students ages 1-10 learn and read books/stories through a virtual story time during this pandemic.

The idea came to Lindsey after a series of FaceTime calls that consisted of a live storytime with her little cousins, who live across the country in New York,

Each storytime session is held through the video conferencing platform, Zoom and consists of a virtual story time with interactive engagement through comprehension questions, live interactions, and optional participant reading as well. The virtual sessions are held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday now through June 26 from 3-4 p.m. Children can join at any time at their own convenience.

Each session consists of a short picture book and one chapter of a chapter book to fill up the entirety of the one hour. Students can then follow along and actively engage in this fun storytime. The first storytime Zoom session is on Monday, June 1, 2020 from 3-4 PM Pacific Time. Each session consists of a short picture book and one chapter of a chapter book to fill up the entirety of the one hour.

You can sign up your child by emailing stories4students2020@gmail.com with your intent of participation, with your child's name and age. You will receive a Zoom link to join, book information and donation link.

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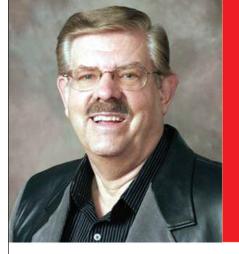


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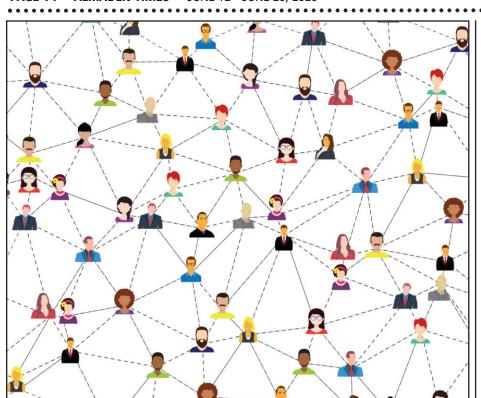
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Times Community News

## **COVID-19 updated county restrictions**

By Mike Wasserman

Special to the Times

or the last several weeks, I have been advocating to get businesses and

employees back to work with appropriate safety protocols. I have been sharing my concerns and those of the thousands of constituents contacting me with the Public Health Department as they weigh Public Safety Risks.

On June 1, Santa Clara County Public Health Officer Dr. Sara Cody announced that the following businesses will be allowed to reopen starting June 5 with social distancing protocols and safety requirements:

- Outdoor dining at restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food
- Retail and shopping centers for in-store shopping
- ALL manufacturing, warehousing, and logistics

• House cleaning and other no-contact inhome services

• Low contact/no contact service businesses including shoe repair, watch repair and other similar services

- Pet grooming, without regard to medical necessity
- Childcare, summer camps, summer school, and all other educational or recreational programs for all children (rather than just those able to work, which is already allowed), in stable groups of up to 12 children
- Religious services, cultural ceremonies, weddings, funerals, protests, and other constitutionally protected gatherings, but only outdoors, in groups no larger than 25

• All outdoor recreational activities that do not involve physical contact including lane swimming, hiking, tennis, camping, golf, Frisbee, etc.

• Drive-in Theaters and Other Car-Based Gatherings



## Tech Jargon of the week: 'Artificial Intelligence' defined

By Shubhi Asthana

Special to the Times

ave you ever stumbled into a conversation where everyone is speaking around this "techie" word – and even after you've broken in, it is difficult to understand the unfamiliar jargon and acronyms? Well, there's no need to sweat it. Let us teach you the meaning of some commonly used tech words:

## **Artificial Intelligence**

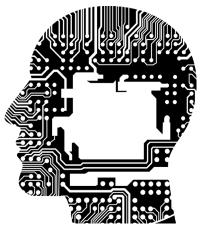
Today Artificial Intelligence or AI is one of the hottest buzzwords in the industry. The core definition of AI is a machine which is capable of thinking like humans and then display decision- making behavior. The intelligence can be divided into several processes such as decision making, learning, language processing and visual perception.

Stanford researcher John McCarthy coined this term in 1956 during The Dartmouth Conference, where the core mission of the AI field was defined.

AI involves many fields such as Computer Science, Mathematics, and Philosophy etc.

So how do you use AI in your everyday life?

One popular example are the digital personal assistants on our mobile phones like Siri, Google Now, and Amazon Echo etc. They use AI to help find useful information when asked questions like "What is my schedule for today?", "Wake me up at 6 AM tomorrow morning". Large retailers like Amazon are also trying to predict your next purchases and using Machine Learning to recommend new items to you.



AI programming focuses on three cognitive skills: learning, reasoning and self-correction.

Learning processes: This aspect of AI programming focuses on acquiring data and creating rules for how to turn the data into actionable information. The rules, which are called algorithms, provide computing devices with step-by-step instructions for how to complete a specific task.

Reasoning processes: This aspect of AI programming focuses on choosing the right algorithm to reach a desired outcome.

Self-correction processes: This aspect of AI programming is designed to continually fine-tune algorithms and ensure they provide the most accurate results possible.

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## Times Community News

## **Volunteering**

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an enormous drop in donations, the Red Cross and other blood collection sites implemented additional precautions to ensure that the blood donation process is safe for donors and staff.

Through public service announcements, the public became aware of the vast need for volunteers. Many answered the call, donning face coverings, maintaining social distance and washing their hands often.

"We've seen a huge interest in the number of people who want to help out," Fryday said. "We wanted to provide an opportunity for everyone to engage, no matter where they are or the time they have to commit."

To volunteer please see: Californiansforall.ca.gov.

## **Compass Collective**

With a grass-roots mindset, nonprofit Compass Collective strives to motivate people to become more involved in their communities. In addition to providing workshops for women and family volunteer days, Compass Collective provides an online volunteering resource, "The Field Guide.'

"Especially in this time of COVID-19, we see that each individual's actions have a big impact on the community," said Field Guide student editor and Almaden resident Evan Broccoli. He also said that he hopes people experience the pride and joy that comes from volunteering.

"People want to get involved but don't know how," said co-founder Vikki Bowes-Mok.

We wanted to make it accessible and easy."

The Field Guide includes chapters on everything from community activism and the environment to getting kids involved, social services, seniors and virtual volunteering.

"I want people to tap into what speaks to them," Bowes-Mok said. "If everyone just did a little bit, what a difference that would make!"

For those reluctant to volunteer, the Field Guide includes small ways to make a difference in its "No excuses" section. Suggestions include recycling, picking up trash, dropping off a card at a retirement home and simply sharing a smile.

'We're just putting it in the world and hoping it provides inspiration into making our community better and stronger," Bowes-Mok said.

Compass Collective Board Member Alison van Diggelen advocates multigenerational connections, such as seniors tutoring youth.

"It can make a big difference in a young person's life, beyond the educational value, to know that someone in the community is willing to give them their time," van Diggelen said. "It also helps seniors feeling isolated at home and creates a sense of com-

Compass Collective believes in the power of community to help people get involved, give back and make a



Families made cheerful cards for seniors living in a nearby low-income assisted living facility. Photos courtesy of Ashley Raggio, Director, Doing Good Together,

difference. Echoing the words of spiritual teacher Marianne Williamson, Compass Collective concludes on its website:

"In every community, there is work to be done. In every nation, there are wounds to heal. In every heart, there is the power to do it."

To volunteer, please see: http:// www.compasscollective.org.

## **Doing Good Together**

Ashley Raggio, director, of Doing Good Together, Silicon Valley said that the community is facing an immense need of funding and volunteers.

"It is a magnitude we've never seen before," Raggio said. "The city, county and state governments have reported deficits larger than we've ever seen. All nonprofits are struggling. Individual donors who can give time and money will be so incredibly important in helping these organizations keep their lights on."

Included in the virtual volunteering section of Compass Collective's Field Guide are ideas provided by Doing Good Together, Silicon Valley. Let's Stand Together features projects to help families lift spirits, meet critical needs and advocate for the vulnerable. The Kitchen Table Kindness Kit provides kids with ways to have fun while helping others, as well as spark conversations about empathy and compassion. Kindness in Action is a live Facebook event in which families host projects and sto-

On its parent website, Doing Good Together, are ways to make a meaningful difference, including helping the hungry, homeless and elderly. Its monthly listings of volunteer opportunities include ways to Fight Povertv. Care for Animals. Get Creative for a Cause, Heal the Earth and Provide Comfort. It also features a Reading with Empathy list of children books along with reflection questions.

Much of Doing Good Together is focused on families and ways to teach children to give back. For example, Fighting Poverty provides projects that can be done at home and deliv-

"My goal is for parents to see the importance of teaching these lessons to children from a young age," Raggio said, "and raising a generation of children who value others, giving back and sharing what they have. It's an opportunity for them to learn compassion and empathy."

To volunteer, please see: www. doinggoodtogether.org/family-volunteering-silicon-valley

## **Almaden Country Day School**

Community service is a key component of education at Almaden Country Day School. Students participate in school-wide service programs throughout the academic year.

During the coronavirus pandemic, the school donated masks to a hospital serving a low-income community (purchased for asthmatic students when wildfires made breathing difficult); wipes, hand sanitizer

and insulated water bottles to St. Vincent de Paul for homeless families (some recently displaced); provided meals for hungry families served by Loaves and Fishes Family Kitchen; and hosted a blood drive.

"Private schools should have a public service component serving their community and the greater good," said Almaden Country Day School Head of School, Dr. Olaf "Ole" Jorgenson. "We're constantly speaking with students  $about \, issues \, involving \, social \,$ justice and equity."

When Jorgenson was alerted that the Santa Clara County Red Cross was critically short in their blood supply, he quickly worked with school volunteers to onsite, filling signups in Cookies for Cans project.

three hours. People donated enough blood and plasma to save 105 lives.

For Loaves and Fishes, teachers contributed items to fill 140 bags with sandwiches, drinks, snacks and desserts for those experiencing hunger. They plan to do it again soon.

"It feels good to be able to do some good," Jorgenson said. "Our obligation as teachers and parents is to help children recognize they have a responsibility for others. When we help others live a better life, we find our own meaning and purpose. We make society stronger with our contributions."



3rd graders make decorative signs for a homeless men's shelter downtown SJ.



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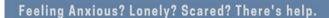


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## **San Jose loses community champion Bob Kieve**

Longtime radio station owner and former Eisenhower speechwriter dies at age

## **By William Bellou** *Publisher*

an Jose has lost a civic minded media legend, Bob Kieve.

He truly was known as a "one of a kind" man who always had altruistic intentions in helping others his entire life.

He passed away with his daughter Lenoir at his side on Sunday morning, May 24, at the age of 98. While his career was in radio, his true calling was to make San Jose a better place to live.

Touching thousands of people in a positive way, the San Jose City Council honored him with an official "Bob Kieve Day" in Dec. 2018.

In 2007, he was inducted into the Bay Area Radio Hall of Fame, which also bestowed "legendary station" status to KLIV in 2017.

Known for wearing bow ties with his suits, Kieve held political views but never demonized anyone along the way, and some of his commentaries ran in the Times Community Newspapers.

Always open to new, diverse voices in our community, Kieve was an early supporter of the political career of Madison Nguyen, the city's first Vietnamese city council member. Nguyen considered Kieve a mentor and friend and said she was "beyond heartbroken" about his death.

Kieve served on several boards, including the San Jose Symphony, the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, Regional Medical Center and the Rotary Club of San Jose, where he was president and pushed for the inclusion of women to the club in the 1980s.

"One of his causes was both the former and the current Symphony Orchestra which he offered considerable guidance and generous gifts," said Andrew Bales, President of Symphony Silicon Valley. "He was on top of things right to the end as he was on a Zoom call with the Symphony Board four days before his passing and contributed the last word to that meeting. He will be missed!"

## Early life

Kieve was born in Jersey City, N.J. and was accepted at Harvard, where he started working at the university's radio station started by the Crimson newspaper in Dec., 1940. Soon he was running the station and knew he wanted to make a career in radio.

Kieve loved sports, and as a 12year-old, he'd cross the Hudson



San Jose radio legend **Bob Kieve** is pictured in this file photo. *Photo courtesy of the San Jose Rotary Club.* 

River to watch the New York Giants play at the Polo Grounds and Yankee Stadium. He was fortunate to collect the signatures of Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and other baseball greats on a ball he gifted to the Giants which would have fetched hundreds of thousands of dollars at auction, but this was a characteristic of the generous and civic-minded Kieve.

Although he wanted to serve his country in the U.S. Military after graduating in 1943, a heart murmur kept him from serving. Instead he worked in the Office of War Information for the State Department in Madrid, Spain.

Kieve became a speechwriter for President Dwight Eisenhower in the 1950s, but he would always downplay his role in the administration by pointing out he was just one member of a writing team. However, his office was full of photographs and other mementos from that time, including typed speeches with changes — very few changes — that Eisenhower himself made in red pen.

After successfully running radio stations in Rochester, N.Y., Kieve arrived in San Jose in 1967 where he purchased AM radio station KLIV. Kieve's Empire Broadcasting Company later purchased easy listening AM station KARA — which he later sold for millions of dollars — and also purchased country music station KRTY, which Kieve turned around to profitability.

Kieve joined the San Jose Rotary Club in 1977 and has been a presence at its meetings for more than four decades. He served as the 400-member club's president from 1990 to '91, and dubbed it "Greatest Rotary Club in the World."

## "The CEO Show"

He kept KLIV an all-news sta-

tion for years, adding community-oriented programs like "The CEO Show," a business interview show hosted by Silicon Valley Leadership Group CEO Carl Guardino.

"I will always cherish the opportunity Bob afforded me to air "The CEO Show" on KLIV for eight years until the station was sold, providing me insights and feedback after numerous weekly shows," Guardino said. Last year we approached San Jose to declare a "Bob Kieve Day" and present him with the Key to the City. On Sunday morning, Bob was given the Key to Heaven."

When KLIV became too much of a financial drain on Kieve's company, he reluctantly sold the station's land. His desire was to donate the station's signal to the city of San Jose to broadcast city meetings and important news alerts, but the idea never came to pass.

Councilmember elect Matt Mahan said, "My heart is heavy with the loss of Bob Kieve, who led an extraordinary life. When I was 18, Bob conducted my Harvard admissions interview. We debated politics for nearly two hours, agreeing about little, and I assumed I screwed it up. He later liked to joke that I was the only interviewee for whom Harvard listened to his recommendation. When I finally came back to San Jose, Bob took me under his wing and was incredibly generous with his time, advice and relationships. Every few months he would organize a lunch to help me meet leaders in the community who he thought I ought to know. I already miss Bob so much and I know that throughout the rest of my life there will be many times when I wish I could pick up the phone and talk to him."

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