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### Ashmore is appointed Asst. Superintendent, Educational Services for ESD

he Evergreen School District Board of Trustees has appointed **Mrs. Deborah Ashmore** (above) to the position of Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services of Evergreen School District subject to ratification of the employment agreement at the July 9, 2020 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Leila Welch, Board President, stated "Evergreen School District is excited for Mrs. Deborah *See ASHMORE, page 9* 



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SJ Library launches a new contactless service for members to pick up materials

he San José Public Library (SJPL) has launched a new service, SJPL Express Pickup, which began Monday, June 15.

SJPL Express Pickup is a contactless service that allows library members to place requests and borrow physical items from the library's catalog – something library members had not been able to do since SJPL's last day of operations on March 16, due to the current pandemic.

"Our priority has always been to provide our customers with access to their libraries, and the information, resources, and services that libraries offer, "said Library Director, Jill Bourne. "Though required to keep our physical buildings closed, we introduced SJPL Express Pickup service, and the response from the residents has been overwhelming. Our digital collection has always remained available, but our communities still want their books, and we are thrilled to be able to offer them again."

To ensure the well-being of library staff and customers, the outdoor service requires the practice of social distancing. In addition, all library materials will be quarantined for three-days before released to the public.

To celebrate the launch of the new service, the Edenvale Branch Library on June 15 prepared and delivered more than 1000 items pre-ordered in just one-week by library members.

SJPL Express Pickup is available Monday-Saturday from 1-6 p.m. at several SJPL locations, including Village Square Branch Library.

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Village Square Branch Library has begun express pickup from 1 p.m. – 6 p.m., Monday – Saturday in Evergreen.



A young protestor holds a "Black Lives Matter" sign during the peaceful protest in Evergreen on Friday, June 5 following the killing of George Floyd. *Photo by John Goldstein.* 

# **Evergreen community comes together for peaceful protest following the death of George Floyd**

The Evergreen community came together for a peaceful protest on Friday afternoon, June 5 at the corner of White and Aborn Rd. following the death of George Floyd.

The crowd of more than 500 people from 5 to 78 years-old expressed their feelings about police violence and many carried signs supporting "Black Lives Matter."

"It is time to change the system and culture that hides and protects this travesty," said protestor John Goldstein, Pastor of the Evergreen Grace Church. "There is no room for a system and culture that maintains police action above the law. Whether it be protective Police Union contracts, independence from public oversight, prejudiced medical examiners, prosecutors, lack of a public record of police behavior and a City, State Government that seems to be impotent to do anything about it - but to look on and 'call for change'."

As demonstrations continue, new questions are emerging: How will the most widespread civil unrest in a generation change *See PROTEST, page 6*  **Times Community News** 

# **Evergreen School District Wellness Team reaches out to missing students**

Eight weeks into the shutdown, some Evergreen students are completely missing from classes By Christine Foster Special to the Times

hen Evergreen schools shut down after school on Friday, March 13th 2020, it didn't just affect teachers. Counselors and social workers who provide vital support for hundreds of Evergreen District students were suddenly cut off from those children. Still, they remain hard at work and their goals remain the same -- to identify and work through challenges that children and families face that get in the way of learning.

For example, before Covid-19 changed everything, District Social Worker Cynthia Howard had worked with district administrators to establish a system to tackle truancies. Students who aren't in school can't learn, so that team identified resources, met with the District Attorney, and assisted principals and health clerks in reaching out to families. Now those strategies don't work. Attendance and participation look very different in the virtual world. But staff members still worry about the students who haven't jumped back into their education. Eight weeks into the shutdown, some Evergreen students are completely missing from classes, despite the work Howard and others have done to try to find them. She worries that they may not have the right resources to get online or worse, maybe there is a family crisis that is making it impossible for them to attend classes. As principals and teachers keep track of students who are not participating, Howard makes home visits and assists administrators in locating at-risk students.

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3519 San Felipe Rd. San Jose, CA 95135 www.sosautorepair.com Each of the social workers and counselors are looking at what they used to do in the pre-Covid world and trying to adjust to make the same kind of support possible in the new paradigm. For example, Brittany Syu, a school social worker, who usually runs in-person social skills groups put together three months of activities for parents to do with kids, since she couldn't continue the groups during shelter in place.

One effort of this staff has always been to try to connect families with resources to deal with issues such as housing insecurity, loss of employment, and mental health challenges and other obstacles that get in the way of a student's education. This effort is now happening virtually, as Howard and Syu reach out to families to help them get online using hotspots and give them devices to access the lessons. They also continue to connect families at risk of housing insecurity with information about food banks, housing assistance, healthcare, and other resources.

Jennifer Walczak, a school counselor at George V. LeyVa Middle School says the shelter-in-place order presents new challenges. "We've just had to get a little more creative since we lost the use of our school site and the ability to see kids in person," says Walczak. "We are at a disadvantage, but we are still available to students." She continues to do one-on-one counseling appointments with students over Zoom or phone calls. She set up a Google Classroom with resources and tools for any student to access. She created multiple social-emotional learning lessons online using Zoom, including one about managing stress during the COVID-19 pandemic and one about being kind online. These lessons are provided live to students and the recording is made available through her Google Classroom. Walczak also offers a weekly "Zoom at Noon" half hour Zoom time with kids to check in and play games or do stress relieving activities like art. This time is meant to mimic the lunch clubs that LeyVa offered on campus and help keep school culture alive. Counselors and District Social Workers also try to continue positive interventions to keep students engaged. Walczak developed an online recognition system where staff and parents can nominate students for positive behavior. Then the counseling and social work staff members make the nomination into a certificate that is sent to students. Recognized students are entered into a weekly drawing to be LeyVa's Spotlight Student of the Week. The winners get Instagram recognition and a prize.

Beatriz Fernandez, a school counselor at Chaboya Middle School, has created lessons around a variety of mental health topics that are posted weekly for our students to access during our advisory period. She has also collaborated with district support staff and school administration during weekly meetings.

Associate MFTs and MFT Trainees provide mental health services to over 100 students throughout the school district. As shelter-in-place continues, students need increased mental health support. The *See WELLNESS, page 16*  Times Community News

# CITY NOTEBOOK Mayor Liccardo releases June budget message

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Liccardo stated, "San Jose is currently living through a formidable period in its history, faced with twin crisis of COVID-19, and homelessness, and ongoing national protests after the murder of George Floyd. Accordingly, difficult spending decisions will be decided during this year's budget process while trying to maintain services for residents during this unprecedented economic shortfall."

"This June Message comes amid a time of great change as we face a new normal in the wake of COVID-19 and as our community comes together to fight racial injustice," said Mayor Sam Liccardo. "Our collective resilience and commitment to help each other will carry us through this very difficult period as we focus on critical steps to create a more equitable future."

Among the new investments being proposed for this year's budget:

• Equity and Racial Justice: After the murder of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis Police Officers, national protests against police use of force and systemic racism have swept the nation. This year's budget will reflect investments in facing this ongoing social divide in an equitable way. • **Improving Digital Inclusion:** Allocate \$3.5 million of our CARES Act funding for an innovative partnership to provide 11,000 students with hotspots this fall in support of distance learning needs during the health crisis

• **Creating the Office of Racial Equity:** Allocate \$200,000 paired with grant funding of \$100,000 from the Silicon Valley Community Foundation over two years to establish a new office within the City Manager's Office

• Reviewing Police Use of Force: Reallocate \$150,000 from the SJPD's overtime to the IPA to coordinate this review, engage the community, and report back to the City Council on findings and recommendations for meaningful improvements to our practices.

• Investigating Less-than-Lethal Use of Force: Allocate spending from the SJPD budget to work with experts to explore emerging less-than-lethal options to reduce the need to rely on batons. projectiles or firearms

• Expanding the IPA Authority and Scope: Explore options to expand the scope of the IPA to include comprehensive investigation of complaints

Supporting families in need: • Families in Distress: Allocate \$7 million of CARES Act funds for struggling high-need families, prioritizing families (including undocumented residents) unable to get access to federal funds.

• Child Care: Allocate \$1.5 mil-

lion from our CARES Act funds for loans and grants to home-based and small childcare providers, with the condition that these businesses continue to actively provide service to families.

Supporting economic recovery: • San Jose Viva Al Fresco: Combine existing funding from VTA Measure B and the County with CARES Act funding for a robust outdoor program that will assist small businesses and activate our public spaces.

• Silicon Valley Recovery Roundtable (SVRR): Allocate one-time funding to support the critical work of SVRR most directly affecting the City's planning for the San Jose economy.

Other investment areas in the June Budget message include youth programming, traffic and pedestrian safety, outdoor park activation, beautification, and supporting the arts.



**Mayor Sam Liccardo** has released his final recommendations for the 2020-2021 budget.

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# IN REMEMBRANCE Jean Lorraine Peters March 19, 1931 - June 10, 2020

Jean Lorraine Peters was born in Livermore, from where she moved at an early age to be reared in San Francisco. At age 89, she passed peacefully in her sleep on June 10.

Jean's mother Alma Johnson died nine months after Jean was born. For a tumultuous several years, she lived at times with her father Bill Johnson but ultimately moved to be with her mother's sister Nettie and her husband Carl Wengard, who provided a wonderful home for her until their deaths. At the age of 14 she moved in with her cousin Bernice Langerand her husband Carl, who essentially became her devoted parents. Through Bern and the rest of the Wengard family, she was able to enjoy deep love and support for her teen years. To the end, the extended family was a foundation of her life.

After Jean graduated from Lincoln High in 1949, she went to work in the accounting department at Standard Oil, where she remained until 1955. In 1952 she married Bob Peters, whom she had met on a blind date. After Bob returned home from the army, Jean left Standard Oil; and the couple settled in San Jose, where Bob was a teacher and an administrator. After rearing their two children, she returned to work at Bank of the West and Pavlina Realty.

Jean led an active life until mobility issues ate family slowed her the last few years. She enjoyed her friends from Lincoln High in San Francisco and the many great friends she made from the East ture date.

Side Union High District, the Rock Canyon Club, and The Villages, where she and Bob have lived the last 25 years.

Despite not being particularly fleet of foot, Jean developed a strong tennis game that included quite effective shot making. For more than 50 years, she also enjoyed meeting with the bridge club ladies. Most of all she relished following the activities of her beloved children and grandchildren.

> Jean was predeceased by son Gerald Carl and is survived by husband Bob, daughter Lorraine, son Bill (Ellen), granddaughter Jessica (Brandon), grandson Robby (Kelly) and her treasured great grandchil-

dren Emma and Will. In addition to her immediate family, her many cousins and a legion of good friends will fondly remember Jean.

Memorial services will be determined at a fuare date.

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# Letter

### Diverse protest offers healing

Dear Editor,

After the police killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis on May 25th, thousands took to the streets around the country, and around the world to protest injustice, systematic racism, and police brutality.

Evergreen residents decided to join the movement by holding their own protest on Friday, June 5th. About 500 Evergreen residents and people from surrounding communities came out to South White Road in front of Lucky supermarket on June 5th at 6 p.m. to peacefully demonstrate. The crowd was made up of an ethnically diverse group of people young and old. Many families brought their children, and were so happy to have a safe place to go where they could find healing with their neighbors during this time of crisis. "I was a bit scared to go downtown with my kids after seeing people getting sprayed with tear gas and rubber bullets last weekend," said Maribel Quemuel, who was there with her two young children ages 9 and 5.

While protesters held up a variety of signs that read such things as "Black Lives Matter" and "Justice 4 George Floyd," people in cars drove by honking, waving, and raising their fists in support. Some neighbors who could not join in the protest came early to drop off signs, and some donated homemade buttons. It was truly a showing of solidarity.

A long time Evergreen resident shared the following sentiments about her experience at the neighborhood protest. "I found out about this so last minute, and my family stopped in the middle *See HEALING, page 6* 



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# **Celso Batalha gets low-income San Jose students excited about science at Evergreen Valley College**

#### By Carina Woudenberg

Article courtesy of San José Spotlight hen he's not instructing students at Evergreen Valley College, physics and astronomy professor Celso Batalha is working with a much younger set — teaching children as young as elementary school-aged that no matter what their background, they, too, can reach for the stars.

Batalha came to the Evergreen campus in 2003 just as the San Jose community college opened its observatory. The professor hails from Brazil, where he worked as a professional astronomer. He moved to this country to better accommodate his wife, and well-known astronomer, Natalie Batalha, who was working in the United States.

Once at Evergreen, Batalha was full of ideas. One was getting his students involved with research. Research projects outside of course curricula are typically unheard of at the community college level, but the professor managed to recruit a few students. He noted, however, that the students who did take an interest were not the type that truly needed him or the college to succeed.

Batalha was interested in tapping into a population not often seen in science, technology, engineering and math classes. In particular, he wanted to bring a STEM-based education to the African-American and Latino populations who, he says, represent only a respective 6 and 7 percent of the total population earning PhDs in physics and astronomy in this country.

Batalha said lower-income students need to be introduced to the sciences at a younger age in order to be comfortable with the concepts.

"(Students) think science is too hard, and physics has a math language they can't control," Batalha said. "There are more immediate, urgent needs in the family, and the kids are not aware of the opportunities out there." From there, a new program was born.

In 2018, with the help of community activist Daniel Reyes, Batalha was able to recruit eight low-income students from San Jose schools and secure enough funding to provide each of the students with a \$500 scholarship. Now, at the end of his second year, Batalha is up to 18 students who are divided over three courses.

The weekly classes run online to help accommodate the different schedules and locations of its participants. In a pre-COVID-19 world, the students and their families also got together once a month with the instructors for



Evergreen Valley College Professor Celso Batalha takes a look at the telescope at the campus observatory on Tuesday. *Photo by Carina Woudenberg* 

pizza and to discuss projects. With more funding, Batalha says he would love to take the students on field trips.

Batalha has help teaching the classes in the program. The professor's adult daughter, Natasha Batalha, and her fiance, Adam Raveret, teach a section on coding, and former Evergreen student and UC Santa Cruz graduate Andres Duarte teaches a course on astrophotography, a discipline devoted to photographic images of celestial bodies. Duarte makes use of a NASA program that allows the user to take pictures of different celestial bodies and manipulate the images to highlight the object's features.

Batalha is teaching the elementary school students about the different phases of the moon.

The \$500 scholarship is awarded at the end of the year in exchange for 80 percent attendance. The money is devoted to the students' education.

"Some of (the students) haven't seen that much money yet," Batalha said. "It's a good thing. And they get motivated and (so do) their parents. The engagement of the parents is remarkable."

Batalha is eager to see the program grow. The ultimate goal is to create a pipeline beginning in elementary school and ending at the community college. The professor says they need to raise \$1 million to provide up to \$10,000 scholarships to low-income, firstgeneration students over a five-year period. The goal is to graduate and transfer 34 students over this period.

In the meantime, the program needs to raise \$100,000 this year for next year's scholarships and to hire a fundraiser and a data analyst. Batalha says he hopes to see the program grow to incorporate 70 children in the K-12 program.

Herbert Hoover Middle School student Emmanuel Lopez, who has been with the program since it began in 2018, says he has really enjoyed learning a more specialized science. The 13-year-old wants to study engineering in college and says he is fortunate to have the opportunity to study something outside the realm of his regular education.

"When I got home, I could also study more about advanced science and astronomy," Lopez said. "I can learn about different stuff that I have not learned before."

Antoinette Herrera, dean of math, science and engineering at Evergreen, describes Batalha as a dynamic teacher who likes to collaborate with other faculty and is always putting students first.

"He is constantly looking for opportunities for students to be supported," Herrera said. "His support for the students has been one of the most dedicated I've seen in our team at the college."

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Above: Hundreds gather for a peaceful protest in Evergreen on Friday, June 5. Photo by Hao Thai.



Photo by John Goldstein.

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#### **Protest**

*Continued from page 1* law enforcement? And will those changes resolve the systemic racial abuses that have drawn millions of people across the country and tens of thousands in the Bay Area into the streets?

Activists are pushing cities, including San Jose, to redirect funding from law enforcement to social services as local governments grapple with spending cuts forced by the coronavirus pandemic. Some of the most significant changes could come from Sacramento.

Governor Newsom said he is directing the state's police standards office to stop offering training on controversial restraint and is supporting a bill in the Legislature that would ban the practice.



### Healing

*Continued from page 4* of dinner to make sure we didn't miss it. I ran into another black woman at the protest who said not knowing about the event, drove by with her husband and two children, and had to stop to get out. We both cried together overwhelmed with support from everyone in the community. We were unprepared without signs, but had a neighbor hand my kids her sign which made them light up. We felt the love, unity, and power from today's event."

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# 2020-2021 budget: What are your spending priorities?

By Dave Cortese Special to the Times early every part of life in the year 2020, including the daily workings of County government, has been affected by actions related to COVID-19. The 2020-2021 County Budget process is no exception.

On June 23, the Board will be asked to adopt a recommended \$8.3 billion "continuation" budget that will allow us to keep the County operating after the fiscal year ends on June 30.

In August, after the July recess, there will be workshops, hearings and much public discussion about the final budget that will take us through 2020-2021 fiscal year. The hearings are scheduled for

1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, Wednesday, August 19, and Friday, August 21, most likely by teleconference.

Usually, the budget workshops are in May, and the hearings in June. But because of the uncertainty of both expenses and revenues caused by actions we needed to take during the pandemic, as well as the economic downturn

caused by Shelter in Place temporary closing of businesses, there are, in the words of County Executive Jeff Smith, "a lot of moving parts."

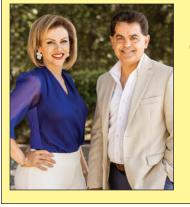
What we do know is that the estimated budget deficit will be about \$300 million. What we don't know is how much the County will get in reimbursements for the \$100 million already spent on costs related to coronavirus.

In closing the deficit, the County will look at eliminating vacant positions and one-time expenses, dipping into reserves and aggressively pursuing revenue from federal and state COVID-19 funding. Because of the pandemic, there have been losses in all of our revenue sources, including property taxes.

The County has faced tough budget challenges in recent history. For 10 years, cuts that totaled nearly \$2 billion had to be made to balance budgets, ending with the 2013-2014 budget. So, this is the

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first year in quite a while that the County has had to start the budget season with a huge gap between spending and revenue.

Add to this a state budget that has a projected \$54 billion deficit. When the state has to fill a big hole in its budget, it turns to counties to provide part of the revenue, including Santa Clara

County, where the estimated loss to the state is \$107 million.

In working to balance the budget, the County will stay true to its mission of providing for those who cannot provide for themselves, whether the need is for housing, food, mental and physical healthcare or justice. At the same time, we will look at making wise investments for the future.

I'd like to hear from you, the taxpayers, about your spending priorities to help me and my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors make prudent and thoughtful decisions.

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### Ashmore

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Ashmore to join Evergreen School District as Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services. Mrs. Ashmore clearly has the experience and the desire to lead Educational Services. We look forward to her joining our leadership team."

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"We are thrilled to have Mrs. Ashmore join our Evergreen family. Her knowledge, experience and expertise are great assets and will serve our learning community well. Please join me in extending a warm welcome to her," said Dr. Emy Flores, ESD Superintendent.

Deborah Ashmore has been an educator since 1990. She has been a classroom teacher, a literacy coach, a professional development coordinator and consultant, a principal, director, and an Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services. Over the course of her career, she has been proud of various accomplishments; most notably she co-created and established a professional development center called the California Center for Literacy Development modeled after the Public Education and Business Coalition, providing support in the area of reading comprehension and early literacy frameworks. She has also worked on establishing lab classrooms focusing on professional development for Guided Language and Acquisition Design (GLAD). Partnering with the Equal Opportunity Schools organization, Mrs. Ashmore has helped to mirror the diversity of the community so that it is reflected in the most rigorous courses offered. She is motivated by pursuing equity in the public education system and is committed to ensuring equitable practices impact actions in classrooms across the district for every learner.

Mrs. Ashmore is thrilled to be back in the area she was raised in attending Valley Vista Elementary, August Boeger Middle School and an alumnus from Mount Pleasant High School. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies from California State University Hayward, as well as a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership.

"I am so happy to return to where I grew up and am thrilled to serve the Evergreen community," Ashmore said. "I have been shown such warmth and welcome here and I know my philosophy and skill set are a fantastic match for this wonderful district!"

# Santa Clara County order forces healthcare providers to expand COVID-19 testing

Santa Clara County health officer, Dr. Sara Cody, issued an order last week to large healthcare systems in the county to provide immediate testing for high-risk patients.

"The brunt of the testing has been endured by the county," county testing officer Dr. Marty Fenstersheib said at a press conference. "It's been less than optimum for the larger (healthcare providers)." The order will force larger healthcare systems to test immediately all patients with coronavirus symptoms; all patients who have had close contact with a person testing positive for coronavirus; and all patients at higher risk of exposure.

That latter category includes medical workers, grocery store employees, mass transit workers and regular commuters. Those who have marched in protests in the Black Lives Matter movement or attended other racial justice demonstrations also were included in the order.

Kaiser Permanente said it is already in compliance with the order by the Santa Clara County Public Health Department. A Kaiser spokesperson states, "In addition to testing all patients with COVID-19 symptoms, we also provide testing on an individual basis to those without symptoms."



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# Online registration is now online for new students for Grades TK - 8

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#### Any questions?

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# Mayor Liccardo moves rubber bullet ban forward

Mayor's proposal to ban police use of rubber bullets for crowd control goes to council

Mayor Sam Liccardo announced that the proposal to ban the use of rubber bullets by the San Jose Police Department for crowd control has moved forward.

"As we move from protest to progress, we must take immediate steps to ensure that future civil demonstrations will keep the safety of protestors and police at the forefront," said Mayor Sam Liccardo. "Banning rubber bullets, which are hard to control and can cause severe damage, will protect those righteously and peacefully exercising their First Amendment rights and keep options for police to deal with those who seek to only break the law."

The proposal, which is also signed by Vice Mayor Chappie Jones, Councilmember Raul Peralez, Councilmember Lan Diep, and Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, also directs the Independent Police Auditor (IPA) to create an avenue for those attending protests in San Jose from May 29th through June 4th to report injuries at the hands of police. The IPA must come back to Council by August 2020 with a special report on the quantity and type of complaints received.

"Our goal is true reform, which starts with a full review of our use of force policies and will look at every aspect of policing and inequity in our community because safety from police violence is a civil right and peaceful protestors should be able to have their voices heard without the fear of injury," concluded Mayor Liccardo.

#### Elise Deng of Evergreen named to Mary Baldwin University Honors List

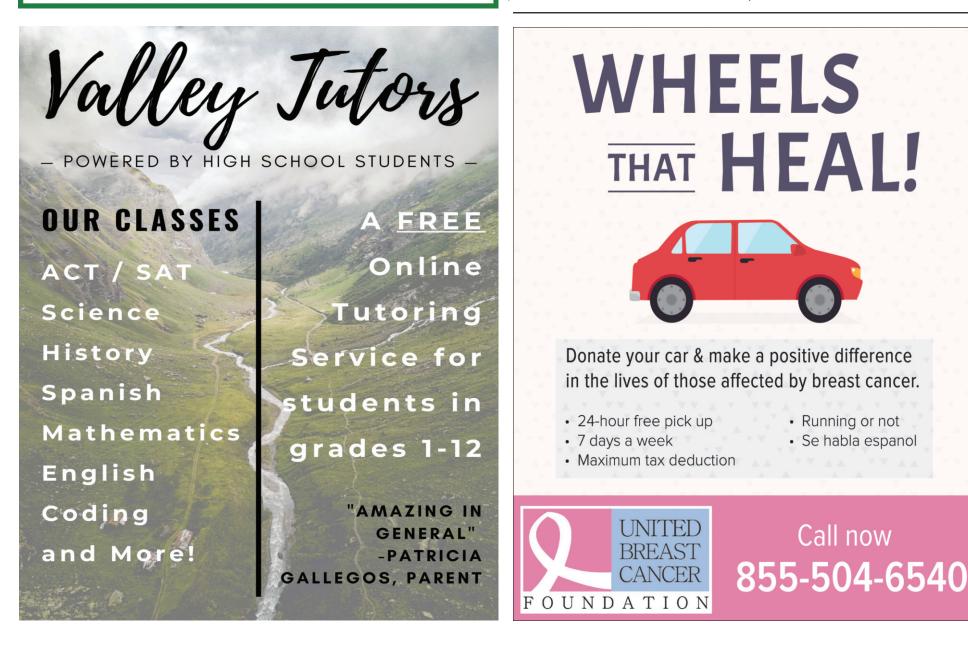
**Elise Deng** of Evergreen Valley (insert) has been named to the Honors List at Mary

Baldwin University. Students named to the Honors List earned grade point averages of 3.75 to 4.00. To be eligible, a student must be a degree candidate and must have



earned at least 12 semester hours for the grading period.

Founded in 1842, Mary Baldwin University is a small, coeducational university offering a range of degree programs from bachelor to doctoral. It serves a vibrant student population on its main campus in Staunton, Virginia; at its nearby health sciences campus in Augusta County; and online.



#### **Times Community News**

### San Jose Mayor, City Councilmembers propose changes to use of force tactics

In light of recent protests, City Officials calling for San Jose Police Department to increase transparency on crowd control tactics

an Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo, Vice Mayor Chappie Jones, Councilmembers Raul Peralez, Lan Diep and Magdelena Carrasco introduced a proposal on June 5 asking San Jose Police Department to share criteria for crowd control methods, examine the use of kinetic impact projectiles (KIP) and reform use of force policies.

"These past days of civil unrest have been the catalyst to police reform, but not the culmination. To ensure the reform process is transparent and meaningful, we need to understand where we are starting from," said Mayor Liccardo. "The Council and the public [need] to fully understand whether SJPD's use of force, for what is commonly referred to as "crowd control" meet the high standards for the San Jose Police Department."

This proposal comes after Mayor Liccardo has signed on to the Obama Foundation's Mayors Pledge and calls for three immediate steps.

First, the proposal asks for a report

from San Jose Police Department fully identifying what criteria was used to determine when to deploy 'crowd control' methods including the use of KIP's, CS gas (commonly referred to as tear gas), and other methods of force, as well as a recommendation from the department whether the San Jose Muni Code Section 10.32 should ban the use of KIPs for these methods.

Secondly, the Mayor and City Councilmembers seek to establish a process, consistent with what is advocated by the Obama Foundation's My Brothers Keeper Alliance Mayoral Action Pledge, to review SJPD's "use of force" policies. These findings, paired with feedback from the community, would begin the process to reform SJPD use of force policies. Community engagement would include faith leaders, social justice advocates, and leadership within San Jose's communities of color, criminal justice experts, the police union, the police rank-and-file, the Chief of Police, and the Independent Police Auditor (IPA).

Thirdly, Mayor Liccardo is supporting an effort to expand the role of the Independent Police Auditor (IPA) to have more autonomy over 'use of force' investigations on the November ballot. Currently, the IPA and SJPD have received over 600 complaints of police conduct from the last week of protest. Expanding the oversight of the IPA will go a long way to ensuring Police Officer accountability with input from the community and negotiations with the Police Officers' Association.





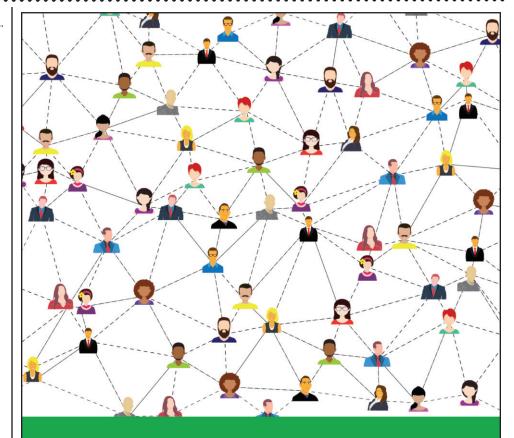




### **Evergreen residents earn Faculty Honors at Georgia Tech**

Evergreen Valley residents (clockwise from top left) **Rahul Bhethanabotla**, **Pranav Pusarla, Neel Raja**, and **Justan Su** earned the distinction of Faculty Honors for Spring 2020 at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

This designation is awarded to undergraduate students who have earned a 4.0 academic average for the semester. One of the nation's leading research universities, the Georgia Institute of Technology is in the business of Creating the Next - the next idea, the next technology, and the next legion of agile minds well equipped to imagine and engineer our future. Georgia Tech is ranked in the nation's top five public universities by U.S. News & World Report.



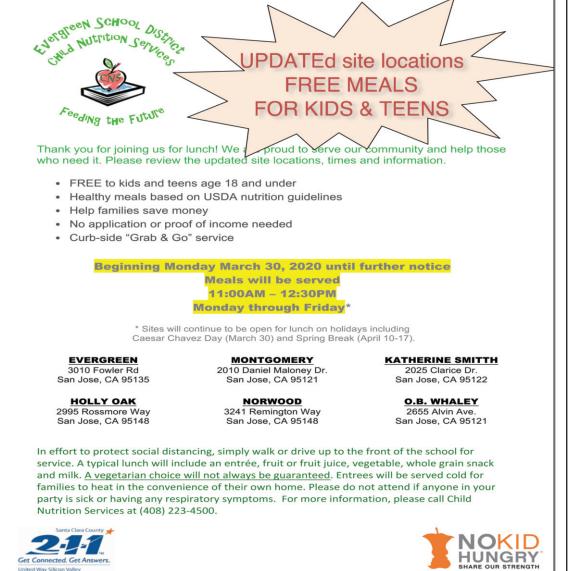
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## SOS AUTO TIPS Cleaning and disinfecting your car during Covid-19

s with the flu, prevention of Coronavirus in your car is as important as in your home with proper, frequent cleaning and disinfecting.

Germs may hitch a ride from your trip to the supermarket or elsewhere back to your vehicle. Unfortunately, a recent Expedia group study cited by CNN Travel found that 32 percent of people surveyed only clean their car once a year.

Here are the key areas to keep sanitized:

• The steering wheel is constantly touched. The aforementioned Expedia-owned CarRentals.com study found that steering wheels have four times as many germs than a public toilet seat. They should be wiped down with a disinfectant wipe or spray daily.

• Don't forget the exterior and interior door handles, your gear shifter, the climate control buttons and radio knobs or buttons, the rearview mirror, and your center console, including the cup holders.Look for specific wipes avail-

able made for cleaning your car's leather.

• Use microfiber cloths to wipe down touchscreens.

• Use a disinfectant wipe on the dash and door panels.

• Wipe down your key fob.

What should you keep in your car?

• Box of tissues: Keeping tissues handy will hopefully encourage you and your passengers to use them, especially when you cough or sneeze. And don't forget to keep a small trash bag in the back seat to gather the used tissues.

• Hand sanitizer: Keep a hand sanitizer (60% alcohol) on hand for frequent applications, especially when after pumping gas.

• Sanitary wipes or spray: These are great for wiping down car surfaces like the dash and door panels. Do not use bleach wipes in your car because the harsh chemicals could damage the interior.

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### Local developers create app to analyze possible COVID-19 symptoms

Creative ideas to help flatten the curve

midst the social transformations brought upon by the COVID-19 pandemic, a group of local developers have come together to form Konect, a team with a mission to bridge the gap between technology and society.

The diverse team is developing open source technology to enable faster screening and the prevention of spread. "We see this as a golden opportunity to connect AI research to society," said members of the Konect Team

One technology the team has been working on is cough symptom analysis.

According to the World Health Organization, nearly 70 percent of COVID-19 patients display the characteristic of a dry cough.

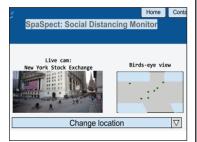
By working backwards, identifying individuals with a dry cough, the app, can quickly isolate those who are at high risk for having COVID-19.

The app uses sound analysis to identify symptoms of the cough sound, such as a dry cough and shortness of breath. By simply using a microphone or uploading a 10-30 second recording of a person's cough, the backend server analyses the symptoms using open source software: CoSpect. Users also have the option of providing additional information such as age, gender and COVID-19 testing status.

Konect has developed a web app to open up this technology to the public: https://cospect.konect-co. com/

By using the web app, users not only get personal symptom analysis, but also contribute to Team Konect's mission by adding to their dataset, which is used to improve functionality.

The Konect team has also been developing another application to help with prevention of the virus: a social distancing monitor



As shown above, the web app takes a computer vision approach to generate an aerial representation of individuals in a room or open public space. From this representation, a number of use cases can be developed, including calculating the distances between individuals in a room, and identifying regions of high traffic.

The team said they are happy to be making a difference in the world, particularly during this time of criAnalyze your cough symptoms...

sis. They have established an international presence, and are open to passionate individuals interested in driving the cause: https://forms. gle/TDiB61QqyC6VmHah9.

Team home webpage: https:// sites.google.com/view/konect-co/ Cough Symptom Analysis Web App:

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Team Members pictured (I to r) are: Ravit Sharma, Santript Sharma, Mayank Kumar, Cassiano Schwanck, Richard Hu, Yugam Satija, Kanishk Kamalvanshi, and Harshil Shah.

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### **FRED HEIMAN DIGITAL MEDIA STUDIO** Opera San José to provide high-quality streaming of operatic performances into the homes of patrons

O pera San José announced plans to create the Fred Heiman Digital Media Studio, a new performance/film space that will enable the company to stream high-quality, fully-produced operatic performances into the living rooms of patrons.

The Fred Heiman Digital Media Studio is made possible by a generous lead donation from Opera San José trustee Peggy Heiman in honor of her late husband, devoted Opera San José supporter Fred Heiman.

The company will offer up a series of performances headlined by OSJ's 2020/21 Resident Artists, including concerts, recitals, in-conversation events, master classes, artist meet & greets, and fully produced operas created specifically for digital broadcast. This new digital studio series launches with Robert Schumann's Dichterliebe ('A Poet's Love') song cycle performed by Resident Artist baritone Eugene Brancoveanu and Resident Artist conductor Christopher Ray on piano, available to stream beginning July 11, 2020.



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#### Incubator for emerging artists

"At the core of our mission is the support and development of a dynamic cohort of emerging artists, and we will continue to fulfill that mission during the current pandemic," said General Director Khori Dastoor noted. "With this new space we will be able to safely perform smaller scale operas with theatrical lighting, sets, and appropriate *See OPERA, page 17* 

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# **Tech Jargon of the week: Machine Learning**

#### 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:

#### **Machine Learning**

In the past we explored the meaning of Artificial Intelligence. Machine learning is a subfield of Artificial Intelligence that focuses on the design of systems that can learn from and make decisions and predictions based on data. Machine Learning or ML will help computers to make data-driven decisions rather than waiting for a command to carry out a task. Machine Learning systems are designed so that they improve their model over time when they accumulate more data.

For example, you might like to have your computer recognize your images automatically. To do so, you can provide your computer a training set of photos, with labels which say, "This is a dog" or "this is not a dog". Then you can test your computer with a new set of photos and the trained ML model will help identify which photos are actually dogs and which are not. This is very similar to how we teach a child to recognize animals or any object. Every photo the model identifies correctly gets added to the training set and the ML model gets "smarter" effectively. In short, it is learning.

#### **Healthcare uses Machine Learning**

Healthcare is a popular area for applying Machine Learning. For example, the ML models can help process your medical history data and spot patterns from the complex data much faster than the human doctors. This will help predict any risk factors or health conditions that you can develop in the near future.

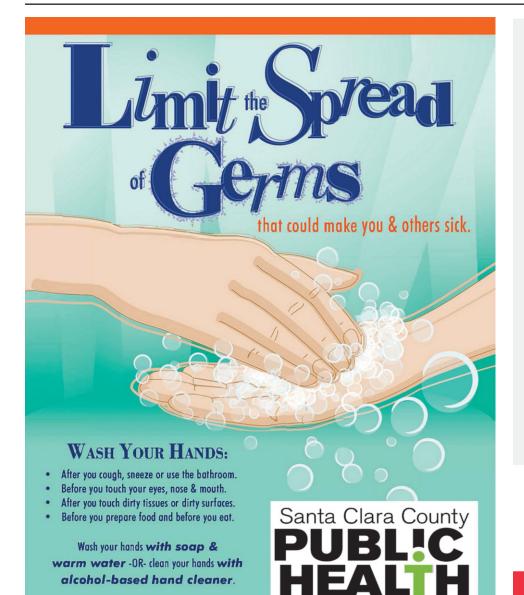
#### Did you know Facebook uses Machine Learning

Perhaps one of the most well-known examples of machine learning in action is the recommendation engine that powers Facebook's News Feed. Facebook uses machine learning to personalize how each member's feed is delivered. If a member frequently stops to read a particular group's posts, the recommendation engine will start to show more of that group's activity earlier in the feed.

Machine learning platforms are among enterprise technology's most competitive realms, with most major vendors, including Amazon, Google, Microsoft, IBM and others, racing to sign customers up for platform services that cover the spectrum of machine learning activities, including data collection, data preparation, data classification, model building, training and application deployment.

#### About the Author

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# Wellness

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ripple effects of the pandemic and current social unrest added to daily difficulties with learning and relating. Counselors, MFTs and social workers participated in online training to learn how to adapt inperson therapeutic activities to use in videoconference counseling sessions with students. MFTs continued to offer weekly therapy sessions, through phone and video-conferencing. These sessions provided social-emotional support, coping tools, and most importantly a safe, consistent healing presence and relationship for children who struggle with depression, anxiety, and overwhelming stressors. Multilingual clinicians provided translation to facilitate collaboration with parents. Middle school students can email counselors and social workers directly to set up counseling appointments or they can schedule their own appointments using an app. Although school closure and SIP have been disruptive to school based mental health treatment, wellness staff continue to provide a healing presence for students who are able to participate in teletherapy sessions. The counselors continue to provide students with a connection to someone who listens to them, believes in them, respects them, meeting them where they are at, and empowering them so that they can navigate the difficult situations they are facing.

District social workers and middle school counselors have been collaborating on weekly articles for parents with ideas and resources. Articles include information about setting up routines, managing stress and anxiety, mindfulness, maintaining social connections, and responding to grief. Now Jenna Braga, school counselor at Quimby Oak Middle School, is coordinating an effort to bring more social emotional learning and mental health awareness with "Mental Health Minute Videos". These resources are available through the EESD website: www.eesd.org/page.cfm?p=4882

Now that the school year draws to a close, Howard, Syu, Walczak, Fernandez, and Braga are turning their attention to the 2020-21 school year. They are assisting with fall plans by providing assistance to teachers as they prepare to support students who have been affected by COVID-19. And they are firming up district crisis response plans to be prepared for the next steps of shelter-in-place. While all of the district's wellness staff misses daily contact with students, they continue to support students and families across the Evergreen School District.

Editor's note: emotional wellness articles can be found at www.eesd.org/page.cfm?p=4882. The Emotional Wellness YouTube channel is located at: www.youtube.com/channel/ UCyG4ozyMaglgFGL2\_U3nIvA



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### **NHL Arizona Coyotes** names Evergreen's Xavier **Gutierrez president & CEO**

Gutierrez becomes the first Latino Team President and CEO in NHL history

rizona Coyotes Owner, Chairman and Governor Alex Meruelo announced June 10 that Xavier A. Gutierrez has been named as the club's new President, CEO and Alternate Governor.

Gutierrez, who was raised in Evergreen Valley, becomes the first Latino team President & CEO in NHL history. He attended Norwood Creek Elementary School, Quimby Oak, and Chaboya Middle School. Gutierrez is a graduate of Bellarmine College Preparatory. He received his Bachelor of Arts (AB) cum laude in Government from Harvard University, and his Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) from Stanford Law School.

Gutierrez has a 20-plus-year career as a business executive, investor and dealmaker focused on investment management, corporate strategy & operations, finance, and business development, and joins the Coyotes from his position as Managing Director at Clearlake Capital Group.

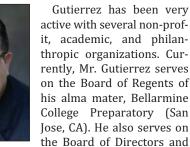
"I am very proud to name Xavier as the first Latino team President and CEO in NHL history," said Meruelo. "This is a historic day for the Covotes and the entire NHL. I have known Xavier for over a decade, and he is a seasoned executive with over 20 years of business and investment experience. We share the same approach to business and his intellect, leadership skills, and strategic mindset made him the clear choice to be our new CEO. He is a leader with tremendous vision and integrity, and I have the utmost confidence that he can help the Coyotes become a world class organization on and off the ice.

The Coyotes a world class organization that is innovative in their efforts to connect with and grow our fan base, continue to be a leader in our community, and develop great relationships with our business partners. We want to build a financially stable and prosperous organization for the long term, and our ultimate goal is to bring a Stanley Cup to our great fans in Arizona. I'm very excited to get started."

#### Growing up in Evergreen Valley

Gutierrez reflected on his connection with the Evergreen Valley: Gutierrez said, "Growing up in the Evergreen community was a very formative experience and served as the foundation for my academic and professional success. My parents David & Lucia Velez emphasized education in our household and I, along with my sisters Analucia Silva, Lyda Velez and my brother Jaime Velez, were all blessed with amazing teachers, coaches and administrators at Norwood Creek Elementary, Quimby Oak Middle School and Chaboya Middle School. These individuals became part of our family, and of my personal journey as a scholar and a professional. I would not be the man I am today without all of the support and guidance that these champions for children like me and my siblings were blessed to have come into our lives. I can never thank them all enough, but I hope these kind and generous heroes of mine from the Evergreen community know that my success is their success."

As Managing Director at Clearlake Capital Group, Mr. Gutierrez focused on investments, operations, strategic development, and investor client servicing & outreach. Mr. Gutierrez was based in the firm's Santa Monica, California headquarters and was a member of Clearlake's Executive Committee and contributor to its Investment Committee. Clearlake is a leading private investment firm founded in 2006, managing over \$17 Billion of institutional capital since inception whose senior investment principals have led or co-led over 200 investments in technology, industrials and consumer companies.



active with several non-profit, academic, and philanthropic organizations. Currently, Mr. Gutierrez serves on the Board of Regents of his alma mater, Bellarmine College Preparatory (San Jose, CA). He also serves on the Board of Directors and

the Investment Committee of the California Community Foundation (CCF), a public charitable organization founded in 1915 that stewards nearly \$1.7 billion in assets and manages more than 1,600 charitable foundations, funds and legacies for the greater Los Angeles community. In addition, Mr. Gutierrez serves on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Investment Companies (NAIC), a Washington DCbased trade association founded in 1971 that serves as the largest network of diverse-owned and emerging private equity firms and hedge funds in the United States. Mr. Gutierrez also currently serves on the Advisory Council for the Hispanic Scholarship Fund, the national organization focused on providing financial support for US Latinos to pursue higher education.

Previously, Mr. Gutierrez served on the Board of Directors of the US Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the national organization dedicated to supporting and promoting the 4million+ Hispanic/Latino-owned businesses in the United States. Mr. Gutierrez also previously served on the Board of Trustees for Southern California Public Radio, on the Board of Regents of Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles, CA), the Board of the Harvard Club of Southern California, the Stanford Law School Board of Visitors, and the Young Alumni Committee of the Harvard Alumni Association.

### Opera

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musical accompaniment, utilizing state-of-the-art cameras and audio equipment to create works that can be enjoyed by at-home audiences. This thrilling new venture will enable us to continue our work as an incubator for emerging artists and producer of accessible, world-class operatic performances, while maintaining mitigation efforts to avoid the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus)."

Added Dastoor, "Our immensely gifted resident company of artists will remain with us for the duration of this crisis, creating exciting programming and maintaining our invaluable connection to one another."

The inaugural presentation, Robert Schumann's Dichterliebe ('A Poet's Love'), is a perennial favorite of the art song genre. This masterpiece of German lieder follows the joys and agonies of love, employing vivid, poetic imagery to weave an intimate, heart-wrenching tale of the harrowing, emotionally cathartic journey from the first blush of new love to its soul-searing loss. Resident baritone Eugene Brancoveanu, who will perform this work, says, "This piece has a very special place in my heart. The timeless beauty of the work speaks for itself, ranging in tone from minimalist to a full orchestralsounding polyphony of boisterous emotions and eruptions. The technical demands are tremendous."

Opera San José remains committed to bringing its audience the stunning, vibrant productions announced for its 2020/21 season (Mozart's The Marriage of Figaro, Bizet's Carmen, Strauss' Salome, and Bernstein and Sondheim's West Side Story).

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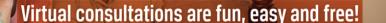
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