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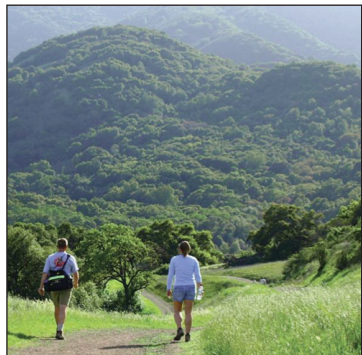
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## 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARK CHARTER FUND Enjoy a free day at County Parks

In honor of the 50th anniversary of the Park Charter Fund, Santa Clara County Parks is offering free admission to all Santa Clara County Parks on Saturday, July 30, 2022.

Residents are encouraged to celebrate the day recreating outdoors at any one of the 28 County Parks. Visit [www.parkhere.org](http://www.parkhere.org) for a listing of parks.

The 50th anniversary of the Park Charter Fund celebrates the fund's milestones and accomplishments over the past fifty years.

In 1972, Santa Clara County voters overwhelmingly first approved the  
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## All smiles at Moonlight Under the Stars ice cream social

By Kevin Larsen  
*Special to the Times*

Plenty of smiling faces and tons of ice cream!

The 18th annual complementary ice cream social was held at the San Jose Gurdwara to which the entire community was invited on July 4th.

The turnout, which was greater than last year, saw more than 1,500 people of different cultures and backgrounds with children running and laughing.

The annual event was originally created to better engage and connect the community.

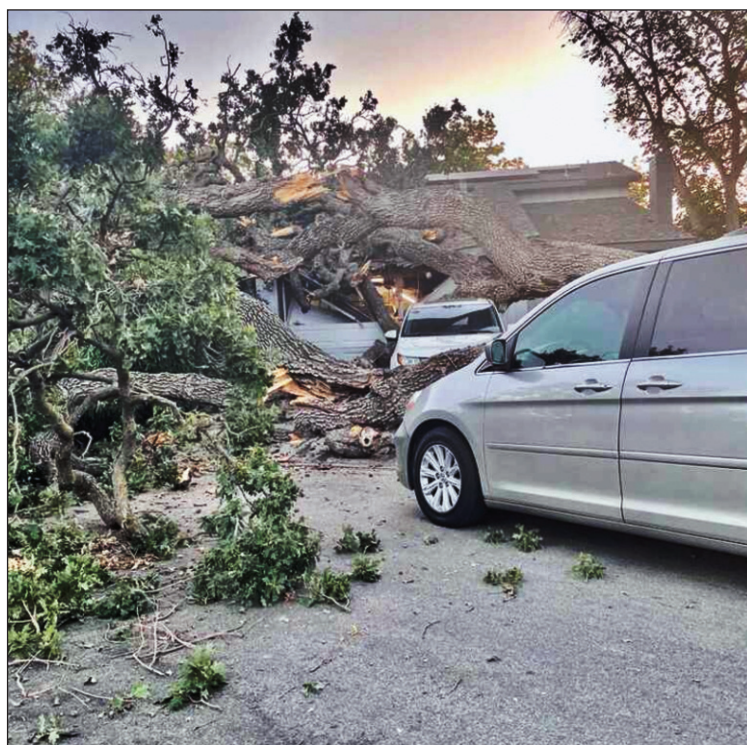
After marching in the Rose White and Blue parade earlier in the day, the Sikhs went to work in setting up the traditional evening ice cream social.

At 7 p.m. there was a time for thanks and then famous singer Angela Borricua Tirado known as the Voice of San Jose, sang a truly beautiful and touching acapella rendition of the national anthem of the United States. Some commented that it gave them goosebumps.

The Gurdwara is a combination of a community center and religious building that seeks to help



Sikhs walk the 4th of July Rose White and Blue parade downtown San Jose.



## WHOMPING WILLOW?

Sandy Quint reported that her Brigadoon neighbor's home and cars located in Evergreen suffered damage when this tree fell down on June 30. "Fortunately no one was hurt!"

the community and also is a place of deep thought and positive camaraderie for all.

The Gurdwara, a tourist attraction allows everyone to walk through the gates 365 days a year. The Gurdwara serves daily complementary vegetarian meals to everyone!

What a wonderful idea to have complementary unlimited ice cream, fruit (bananas), bottled water and even vegetarian dinners-to-go which build "family" in the Santa Clara Valley. Truly this annual event brings people of all cultures together and this connecting and interaction is therapeutic to the city!

Located in the Evergreen foothills, the location and buildings are reminiscent of the beautiful architecture of India. When you visit it is like you are transported to a different world.

## Sparkles and vibrant colors in the sky were crowd pleasers

With no fireworks at this event, people gathered while eating daintily the complementary generous portions of top-of-the-line chocolate, vanilla or mango ice cream in cups with a spoon. All a bit giddy, the crowd watched the many fireworks displays in the valley, the youth emotionally yelled out "ooh" and "aah," while those a few years older gained joy in witnessing the fun and exuberating moments of their grandchildren.

As the Moonlight Under the Stars ice cream social ended at 10 p.m., there was never a shortage of the ice cream due to the truly expert planning by the Sikhs and others who volunteered. More than 150 gallons of extra premium ice cream was professionally  
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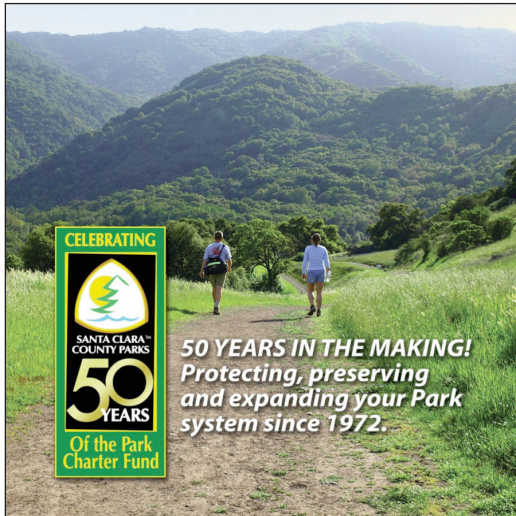
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## Parks

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 Park Charter Fund. The passing of the Charter Fund accelerated the growth of parklands by enabling the department to acquire new lands and expand the County's regional parks and trails network, primarily in and around urban areas



to now upwards of 52,000 acres and over 300 miles of trails.

In 2016, the Park Charter was renewed by voters and will be in effect until 2032. Beyond the expansion of parklands and trails, the Park Charter Fund has significantly enhanced the lifestyles, health and wellbeing of county residents, as well as preserving parklands for future generations, assisting in the reduction of wildfires and reducing the impact of climate change.

Don Rocha, Director of County Parks, shares his appreciation to Santa Clara County voters. "If not for their foresight and deep appreciation for parks and open space, and its contribution to

mental and physical health and the quality of life for all residents of Santa Clara County, we would not have this amazing system of parks and open space, recreational amenities and programs that contribute to education, preservation and overall wellbeing of the community."

Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department has provided recreational opportunities, beautiful parks and precious natural resources for Santa Clara County residents for more than 60 years. This golden legacy has resulted in one of the largest regional park systems in the State of California.

## Study: No elevated lead levels in Reid-Hillview Airport's soil

*Will the results slow the closure of the airport?*

By Times Media news staff

A Santa Clara County-commissioned study found that soil samples taken at Reid-Hillview Airport in San Jose did not contain lead levels that exceed local, state or federal standards.

The soil report was released to the Mercury News organization on June 8 only "after a public records request asking for the study's results went unanswered for weeks," according to the newspaper.

The \$130,000 study was conducted by a Dallas-based firm, which according to the newspaper, examined samples from 32 locations around the airport, taken at various depths into the soil. A similar study was also conducted at San Martin Airport.

"The results paint a clearer picture of the extent to which lead has contaminated the Evergreen neighborhood airport since the release last August of an airborne lead study ordered by the county that concluded children who live around Reid-Hillview have elevated levels of the contaminant in their blood," according to the Mercury News.



Reid-Hillview of Santa Clara County Airport. Photo by Mike Fizer

The latest study examined soil from 32 locations spread across the airport. Scientists took samples from Reid-Hillview's surface up to six inches deep in the soil — and then from one foot to 18 inches deep. Similar research was conducted at San Martin Airport, the other county-owned airport 23 miles south of Reid-Hillview.

The highest concentration of lead at Reid-Hillview was found in a dry soil sample on the corner of

Cunningham Avenue and Capitol Expressway, at 46.7 milligrams per kilogram. The sample fell below local, state and federal danger levels which range from 50 to 800 milligrams per kilogram.

"We all want lead out of aviation fuel, but the transition needs to be done safely and smartly," said Aircraft Owners & Pilot Association (AOPA) President Mark Baker. "The fact that the county sat on  
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"East Side Stories: Community Members & Activists" will take place Saturday, August 13, 1–4 PM, at the King Library, 2nd Floor, Room 225.

## Explore the history of East San José with SJ library's new exhibit featuring extensive collection of photos, artifacts

The San José Public Library (SJPL) is presenting *East Side Dreams: The Untold Story of East San José*, an exhibition inspired by stories, both remembered and forgotten, from those who helped shape the East Side from the 1950s to present time.

*East Side Dreams* chronicles a comprehensive historical picture through hundreds of photos, videos, and artifacts, some of which were donated and some of which are loaned to the Library by over one-hundred community members. With this exhibit, SJPL seeks to fill a gap in the library's collection and documentation of local history.

"I'm extremely proud of the work and research our staff has done to help elevate and expand our collection of local history," said Jill Bourne, City Librarian. "I'm also grateful for our supporters and partners, especially San José State University Library's Africana, Asian American, Chicano, & Native American Studies Center, who obtained a grant to support the digitization and housing of a new collection of over 200 videos, provided by the Castellano Family Foundation. These videos capture the community work of the American GI Forum San José chapter from 1985 to 2000 and highlight East Side San José culture and history."

The *East Side Dreams* exhibit is on view at SJPL's California Room (fifth floor) and Jennifer & Philip DiNapoli Gallery (second floor) of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library now through September 24, 2022 and is open to the public to enjoy at no cost.

In addition, community members, activists, and scholars will share their insights into East San José history at the two speaker panel events:

- *East Side Stories: Community Members & Activists* Saturday, August 13, 1–4 PM, King Library, 2nd Floor, Room 225

- *The East Side's Impact in San José: A Conversation With Scholars* Saturday, September 3, 1–3 PM, King Library, 2nd Floor, Room 225

An opening reception was also scheduled for Saturday, July 9 from 2 – 4:30 p.m. and was held on the fifth floor of the King Library.

*East Side Dreams: The Untold Story of East San José* is hosted by the San José Public Library in collaboration with SJSU Library's Africana, Asian American, Chicano, & Native American Studies Center.

For more information, please visit: [sjpl.org](http://sjpl.org).

# Valley Currents

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Flames and smoke can be seen as San Jose fire crews work to put out a home fire on Cadwallader Avenue.

Photo courtesy of CBS News.

## 2-alarm fire damages home near James Franklin Smith Elementary School

Fire crews in Evergreen responded to a 2-alarm fire that damaged a home near James Franklin Smith Elementary School on July 6.

The fire damaged a two-story home on Cadwallader Avenue. The first call was received at around 4:40 p.m.

The home, located in a neighborhood of upscale homes, suffered serious fire damage. The garage was completely destroyed.

Authorities said there were no injuries.

Fire investigators are working to determine the cause of the fire.

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### OP ED

## Red, White and Blue Parade missing marching band

I took my son to the San Jose parade and was surprised to not see a marching band.

For myself, a 4th of July parade is missing something if it does not have a high school marching band.

Later in the evening, in speaking with a person from the city of Morgan Hill. A father of a high school student who participated in their 4th of July parade said the following, "My daughter is in middle school. In Morgan Hill they joined the middle school band members with the high school band and they are the grand finale to the 4th of July parade. They have 20 color guard marchers with flags and about 30 band participants who play patriotic songs while marching. You will see trumpets, flutes, tubas and more."

Also, in Morgan Hill some private schools had mini bands that



Rod Diridon and Dr. Gloria Duff: Grand Marshals at 4th of July Parade.

marched in their 4th of July parade.

If you asked me what I liked the most about the parade, it was not the crusty politicians in old cars. Nope. It was seeing S. J. Sharky from the wonderful San Jose Sharks.

He was wearing patriotic colors and that made me feel good. I also enjoyed seeing the super cool man riding in style on his decked

out patriotic bike chopper.

So, I just knew that in our good ol' San Jose Rose White and Blue parade honoring the 4th of July, something was missing and it left me and others with an empty feeling.

I missed a marching band with musical instruments playing patriotic songs.

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## Airport

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these findings, and then were essentially forced to release them, is telling. The county hid these findings and then turned around and prohibited the sale of certain aviation fuel required for thousands of aircraft. This prohibition significantly increases the risk of misfuelling and imposes serious safety concerns for pilots.”

The new soil study is bound to intensify debates surrounding the planned closure of Reid-Hillview Airport.

Proponents of the closure claim that the airport’s piston-engine airplanes present a health hazard to surrounding residents, while opponents of the closure view the lead danger as overblown and that proposals for housing are simply a land grab.

On January 1, Santa Clara County banned the sale of 100LL Reid-Hillview and San Martin airports, citing a contested airborne lead study in 2021 ordered by the county.

AOPA and other associations, pilot groups, and airport businesses quickly pointed out that many of the 200,000 aircraft in the current general aviation piston fleet require higher-octane fuel to fly safely, and that misfuelling can cause detonation and engine malfunction resulting in catastrophic engine failure.

Pilots and aircraft owners in the county whose aircraft require higher-octane fuel are forced to find it outside the county before landing at their home airports, resulting in increased costs.

**We want our fields back!**

It has been four months after county officials instructed the Eastridge Little League to vacate the fields, a county-commissioned study re-



leased its low level lead findings. The county is forcing the league to abandon its three diamonds, claiming lead contamination in the area presents a danger to the kids. The league plans on fighting the county’s order following the release of the county-commissioned report.

The league has stated that it is rejecting a county offer that would grant the league up to \$225,000 over three years to make up for their lost fields. The proposal doesn’t include any long-term relocation plans, something that is key to keeping the league alive.

Angela Tirado, a longtime former vice president of the Little League, said, “The league serves as a crucial pillar for Latino youth in a community that is less affluent than nearby neighborhoods and cities. The whole thing about baseball is getting them off the street and teaching them discipline and respect.”

*Editor’s note: Efforts to close Reid-Hillview have been underway for decades. More recently, county supervisors voted in 2018 to stop providing federal grant dollars to the airport, which could lead to Reid-Hillview’s closure in 2031.*

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2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee

# REPORT TO THE PUBLIC

Fiscal Year 2021 (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021)

2000 Measure A is a 30-year half-cent sales tax devoted to transit improvements. The measure mandated that an independent citizens watchdog committee review the 2000 Measure A expenditures, commission audits, and issue reports to the public. This report is the 2000 Measure A CWC's report for FY 2021, the 15th year of the 30-year program.

**After careful review, the CWC concludes that for FY 2021, 2000 Measure A tax dollars were spent in accordance with the intent of the measure.**

\* Expenditures were grouped by category. Totals and percentages may not be precise due to independent rounding. Individual project detail is available in the project status section of this report.

\*\* Includes professional services, debt service, principal payment, bond interest, etc.

\*\*\* Transit Operating Assistance equals 20.75% of sales tax revenue, which is approximately \$45.8M of total expenditures for FY 2021.

### Summary of FY 2021 Program Expenditures:

Category	Amount
BART Silicon Valley	\$150M
Other Non-Project Expenditures**	~\$75M
Transit Operating Assistance***	~\$45.8M
Light Rail Projects	~\$20M
Commuter Rail and Bus Projects and Fund Exchanges	~\$10M
<b>Total FY 2021 Program Expenditures</b>	<b>\$313.2M</b>

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Sikhs walk the 4th of July Rose White and Blue parade downtown San Jose.

## Ice Cream Social

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served outside for all to enjoy with cup and spoon. That's a lot of scoops!

For three hours under the open-air canopy surrounded by American flags fluttering in the soft breeze, almost every second, a visitor in a fast-moving line would sweep their hand onto the table to select their ice cream bowl. The servers would also smile as they asked, "Does anyone want Mango?"

### Ice cream just would never run out

There was a comforting feeling knowing that there was no need to worry for the ice cream would surely never run out. After such a challenging two years of mask rules and regulations throughout our city, the upsetting memories would be canceled out momentarily for this evening, for all that would be heard and seen were happy children in the event, for the planning ensured no child would be disappointed.

In addition, many of the volunteer ice cream scoopers would ask, "Did you want one scoop or two?" Such is the caring and generosity of the Sikhs who created this one-of-a-kind annual event which is perhaps the only mega ice cream social event of its kind in the world. Everything at the event was complementary and this allowed for all families to come and participate in an easy going and welcoming way.

It was a comforting experience to reflect on the good things in the city after being ravaged by so many years of a mysterious virus that created fear and woes with the combination of confusing misdirection of leaders in our society.

True to the ambiance of the Gurdwara and what it stands for, the entire event was soft and quiet in nature with all behaving in loving ways. Visitors made their annual pilgrimage up the hill to watch fireworks in the valley with sweet ice cream which connected the community together with laughter, trust, kindness and smiles to joyfully celebrate the birth of our nation.



Thousands came to enjoy the ice cream, more than 150 gallons, which never ran out!

## Rose Eagan of Evergreen travels to Poland to help Ukrainian refugees

By **William Bellou**  
*Publisher*

Villages Golf and Country Club resident Rose Eagan recently volunteered with an organization to help Ukrainian refugees in Poland.

"I went to Poland in May for a week to help with the Ukrainian volunteers with an organization called Global Volunteers," Eagan said. "This organization has been around since 1984 and operates in 34 countries and six continents."

Eagan volunteered in Siedlice, Poland, about an hour from Warsaw and about four hours from the Ukrainian border. Poland has received more than three million refugees so far and about one third of them have moved on.

"Siedlice is a small rural town and they put the refugees in pri-

vate homes," explained Eagan. "They opened an abandoned school there, which houses 25 women and children. The school was in bad shape so Global Volunteers are cleaning and painting to make it more livable."

Global Volunteers helps teach English classes in the public schools and that's what Eagan did in Poland. She also met with Ukrainian children on a one-to-one basis to help with English lessons. "Sometimes we just did something fun to help them adjust to their new world and forget the war for a while," she said.

"Serving in Siedlice was one of the highlights of my life," Eagan said. "It was an experience that fed my soul."

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## Here are the 4 best places in California for a couple to live only on Social Security

By Nicole Spector  
GOBankingRates

One of the nation's biggest financial crises centers on retiring: people just can't afford to do it.

According to 2021 data from the Natixis Global Retirement Index, 36% of Americans said they will never have enough money to be able to afford to retire. Another survey, by MagnifyMoney, found that 46% of all Americans anticipate that they will retire in debt.

The prospect of retiring may look especially dismal in famously desirable states like California, where the median home price is up to \$884,890. But even "The Golden State" has its relatively affordable nooks and not-so-badly-priced crannies.

GOBankingRates compiled a list of the four best cities where a couple can live in California — solely on a Social Security budget for two. That means no assets, no savings — just that good old monthly income of \$3,239.34 (the average monthly Social Security benefit of \$1,619.67 doubled).

Let's have a look at where you can get the biggest bang for your limited buck if you and your partner want to retire in California.

### Riverside

Percentage of Population 65 and Older: 14.8%

Grocery Cost of Living Index: 100.4

Healthcare Cost of Living Index: 87.8

Livability Score: 59

Average Rent: \$1,569.20

Monthly Grocery Cost Per Couple: \$826.96

Monthly Healthcare Cost Per Couple: \$757.57

Total Monthly Expenditures: \$3,153.73

Riverside has a robust citrus industry, hiking trails (you can even find volcanoes there) and a solid state university, along with the advantage of being relatively close to the bustling hub of Los Angeles — which is about 60 miles away. This makes it a nice choice for those who are bidding adieu to L.A. in search of more reasonable rents. Alas, the city has a high unemployment rate and a relatively high crime rate, which is what contributes to its subpar livability score of 59.

### Pomona

Percentage of Population 65 and Older: 11.5%

Grocery Cost of Living Index: 100.5

Healthcare Cost of Living Score: 89.4

Livability Score: 53

Average Rent: \$1,511.40

Monthly Grocery Cost Per Couple: \$827.79

Monthly Healthcare Cost Per Couple: \$771.37

Total Monthly Expenditures: \$3,110.56

Just 30 miles from Los Angeles, Pomona is another California city that gets a lot of Angelenos coming over for a more affordable life. It's a highly diverse city, which also makes it attractive, but its barely middling livability score is an obvious problem. The biggest issue Pomona faces is its high crime rate.

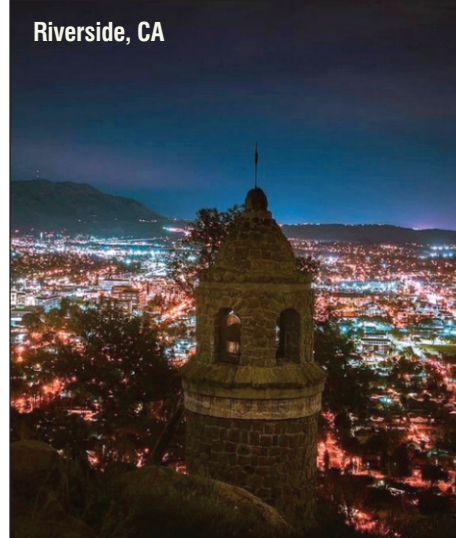
### Sacramento

Percentage of Population 65 and Older: 13.3%

Grocery Cost of Living Index: 104.8

Healthcare Cost of Living Score: 96.7

Livability Score: 62



Riverside, CA

Average Rent: \$1,281.00

Monthly Grocery Cost Per Couple: \$863.20

Monthly Healthcare Cost Per Couple: \$834.36

Total Monthly Expenditures: \$2,978.56

The capital of California is also known as the City of Trees, which gives you some idea of the lush, verdant scenery that can be found there. Sacramento sports a booming arts scene and a trendy "Farm to Fork" movement, with its 1.5 million acres of farmland churning out roughly 165 varieties of produce. It has the highest livability score on this list, but, at 62, that's still not very high. This is likely because the city, picturesque as it can be, has a high crime rate too.

### Fresno

Percentage of Population 65 and Older: 11.6%

Grocery Cost of Living Index: 99.2

Healthcare Cost of Living Score: 90.6

Livability Score: 57

Average Rent: \$1,050.00

Monthly Grocery Cost Per Couple: \$817.08

Monthly Healthcare Cost Per Couple: \$781.73

Total Monthly Expenditures: \$2,648.80

Fresno is located right in the heart of the Golden State in San Joaquin Valley. The city has a highly diverse population and that's reflected in its sundry cuisine options. While you really can't beat an average rent of \$1,050 in California, Fresno has some work to do in order to become a more desirable locale. Donning a less than impressive livability rate of 57, Fresno is blighted with bad air and a poor economy.

*Editor's note: GOBankingRates used the following methodology determined the best places in California for a couple to live on only Social Security checks based on (1) the average monthly benefit for retired workers (\$1,619.67), sourced from the Social Security Administration, and doubled; and (2) the average 2022 rent for a one-bedroom apartment, as sourced from ApartmentList. GOBankingRates then used Sperling's Best to find the cost of living index for each listed city, looking at (3) grocery and (4) healthcare index scores. Next, GOBankingRates used data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics 2020 Consumer Expenditure Survey to find the annual expenditure amount for both grocery ("food at home") and healthcare costs for people aged 65 and older in order to find how much a person 65 and over would spend on groceries and healthcare in each city on a monthly basis. GOBankingRates then added monthly housing, grocery and healthcare costs together. In order for a city to be qualified for the study, its population had to be 10% or more over the age of 65, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. All data was collected on and up to date as of June 3, 2022.*

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## Apprenticeships pair paid work experience with education

By Raul Rodriguez



Apprenticeship programs are one of the most often overlooked areas of education. They may also be the key to our economic recovery and future success following the COVID-19 pandemic.

Registered apprenticeship programs in community colleges pair coursework with paid work experience for the student. Most of these programs are directly tied to the traditional trade unions, but a concerted effort has been made in recent years to expand apprenticeship programs to include emerging fields such as health care, advanced manufacturing and high tech.

Curriculum for these programs must be approved through existing processes at each individual college and courses can be offered as either non-credit or credit, giving students opportunities to earn certificates and degrees. The programs must also be approved by the state.

Both the state and federal government are supportive of such programs, and the Biden administration has recently taken steps to increase apprenticeships. Each year the California Legislature and U.S. Department of Labor set aside money to support not only existing programs, but also the expansion of apprenticeship programs into new fields.

Here in San Jose, Evergreen Valley and San Jose City colleges have multiple programs registered with the California Division of Apprenticeship Standards. These include programs in advanced manufacturing, ironworking and high tech, among others.

One of the benefits of apprenticeship programs offered through community colleges is the academic instruction and curriculum development that occurs in partnership between education experts at the colleges and subject matter experts from industry partners. Program curriculum is co-created alongside local businesses and is specifically designed to meet the needs of employers and create direct pathways to living-wage careers.

Students benefit by earning money while they complete their education and having a clear pathway to a good career. Employers

benefit through reduced turnover; increased productivity; reduced training costs and having access to a diverse pipeline of highly-skilled, well-educated and well-trained workers ready to fill in-demand roles in their organizations.

While great strides have been made in recent years to expand existing apprenticeship programs and develop new ones, we in the United States could learn much from the successes of the Swiss apprenticeship model, which has been called the “gold standard” of vocational training systems by the National Center on Education and the Economy.

Although the U.S. and Swiss economies and cultures are vastly different, there are many lessons to be learned. In Switzerland, apprenticeships play a much larger role in education and the economy, with almost two-thirds of Swiss youth between ages 16 and 18 combining school and work through such vocational education and training.

However, the advantage of the Swiss system is that it is designed so students who begin in an apprenticeship program can easily make the transition to a university pathway at almost any point in their educational and career journey.

Even though we have talked about creating such a system here in the United States, we have not been able to do so in any appreciable manner. That needs to change.

As higher education enrollments continue to decline in California and the rest of the United States, we should be looking to create more dynamic pathways between career education programs, such as apprenticeship training and traditional academic programs and pathways. We can accomplish this synergy by continuing to strongly support apprenticeship programs through expanding the scope of course and program offerings, seamlessly integrating work-based and classroom learning and articulating and coordinating the academic requirements between academic pathways and apprenticeships.

In this way, thoughtful investments made today can potentially yield positive returns for businesses, employers and employees for decades to come.

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## Glenn Vander Zee appointed to 10,000 Degrees South Bay advisory board

Glenn Vander Zee has been appointed to the 10,000 Degrees South Bay advisory board.

Vander Zee currently serves as the superintendent for the East Side Union High School District in San Jose and has been an educator for more than 25 years.

10,000 Degrees is a Bay Area organization dedicated to empowering lower-income students to enter and graduate college in Santa Clara and six other Bay Area counties.

Vander Zee previously served as principal of James Lick High School, and director of curriculum and instruction, associate su-

perintendent of educational services, and the associate superintendent of human resources at the East Side Union High School District. In each of these positions, he worked collaboratively with fellow educators to develop clear outcomes, positive relationships, and innovations toward improved student outcomes.

### 10,000 Degrees 'ONE Amazing Community' Fundraiser Raises \$1.1 Million

10,000 Degrees recently held its annual 'ONE Amazing Community' fundraiser which raised \$1.1 million to support students in San Jose and elsewhere in the Bay Area.

The 'ONE Amazing Community' gala recognized the contributions of many in the community who have played a role in helping achieve educational equity, and who have supported Bay Area students from low-income backgrounds achieve their dreams of becoming college graduates.

For the first time, the 'ONE Amazing Com-



munity' gala included opportunities (for supporters who could not attend the main event in Marin) to attend five Satellite Soirées throughout the Bay Area, including one in the South Bay (Atherton). 10,000 Degrees staff and alumni speakers shared impact stories at each of the soirées. Additionally, the gala was available for live viewing, for those who could not attend in-person or preferred to participate virtually.

"ONE Amazing Community" Satellite Soirée in Atherton – pictured (L to R): **Trish Hayward** (founder and managing partner at Catalyst Strategies and 10,000 Degrees advisory board member), **Glenn Vander Zee** (superintendent of the East Side Union High School District and 10,000 Degrees advisory board member), **Jen Sweeney** (10,000 Degrees board and advisory board chair, host of event), **Jim Anderson** (venture capitalist with a focus on philanthropy), and **Maria Leahy** (musical artist, performer, and educator at Leahy).

# Fresh Summer Flavors with Grilled Grass-Fed Lamb

## FAMILY FEATURES

Enjoy flavorful meals straight off the grill this summer with these delicious recipes that put New Zealand grass-fed lamb at the center of your plate.

These Endless Summer Grass-Fed Lamb Burgers are topped with a fresh herb salad and juicy tomatoes on brioche buns. Or, for a spiced sensation, try Grass-Fed Lamb Meatball and Veggie Skewers that pair lamb, bell peppers and onions with a robust herb sauce.

These recipes can become summer favorites thanks to versatile and flavorful lamb from Atkins Ranch, available at your local Whole Foods Market. The lamb is 100% grass-fed and humanely raised in New Zealand, just as nature intended. Allowed to graze freely over lush green hills and pastures 365 days a year, the result is a lean, finely textured, flavorful meat that's easy to cook – simply prepare the same way you would grass-fed beef.

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Grass-Fed Lamb Meatball and Veggie Skewers with Herb Sauce

**Endless Summer Grass-Fed Lamb Burgers**

Prep time: 1 hour, 20 minutes  
Cook time: 1 hour  
Servings: 4

**Burgers:**

- 1 1/2 pounds Atkins Ranch grass-fed Ground Lamb
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 4 brioche buns
- 1 medium tomato, sliced into rounds

**Spread:**

- 2/3 cup full-fat Greek yogurt
- 1 clove garlic, grated
- 1/3 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

**Salad:**

- 1 small English cucumber, thinly sliced
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced into rounds
- 2 tablespoons flat leaf parsley, chopped
- 2 tablespoons fresh mint leaves, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh dill, chopped
- 1/4 cup micro greens
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon lemon zest
- 2 teaspoons olive oil

To make burgers: Gently divide lamb into four equal parts and shape into rounds slightly larger than buns. Cover and refrigerate at least 1 hour.

To make spread: In small bowl, mix yogurt, garlic, mayonnaise and mustard; refrigerate until ready to assemble burgers.

To make salad: In medium bowl, mix cucumber, onions, parsley, mint leaves, dill, micro greens, lemon juice, lemon zest and olive oil; refrigerate until ready to assemble burgers.

Preheat grill to medium-high heat, creating hot and cool zones. Salt patties then grill about 6 minutes on each side until internal temperature reaches 150 F. As patties near 150 F or start to brown, move to cool zone to regulate doneness. Transfer to plate and let rest about 5 minutes.

To assemble burgers, add dollop of spread to bottom buns. Top each with one tomato slice, one lamb burger, salad and top bun.

Endless Summer Grass-Fed Lamb Burgers

### Grass-Fed Lamb Meatball and Veggie Skewers with Herb Sauce

Prep time: 1 hour, 30 minutes  
Cook time: 30 minutes  
Yield: 6 skewers

#### Lamb Meatballs:

- 6 wooden skewers
- 1 pound Atkins Ranch grass-fed Ground Lamb
- 2 large eggs, whisked
- 2/3 cup Italian breadcrumbs
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1/2 cup yellow onion, finely minced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon coriander seeds, crushed
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- freshly ground black pepper, to taste

#### Veggies:

- 1 medium red onion
- 1 medium green bell pepper
- 1 medium red bell pepper

#### Herb Sauce:

- 1 cup flat leaf parsley leaves
- 2 teaspoons fresh rosemary leaves, minced
- 2 tablespoons capers
- 1 lemon, juice only
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

#### Italian bread, grilled

To make lamb meatballs: Soak wooden skewers in water 10 minutes. In large bowl, break apart ground lamb then add whisked eggs and breadcrumbs. In

small saute pan, add olive oil and saute yellow onion and garlic with coriander seeds, red pepper flakes, salt and pepper, to taste, about 5 minutes until onion is translucent and spices are fragrant. Add to bowl with lamb. Mix until combined and form into roughly 1 1/2-ounce balls.

To make veggies: Cut onion and bell peppers into 1-inch stacks.

Add ground lamb meatballs to skewers, alternating with peppers and onions. Cover and refrigerate at least 1 hour.

To make herb sauce: In immersion blender, blend parsley, rosemary, capers, lemon juice, garlic and olive oil until smooth. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Grill skewers about 3 minutes on each side, or until meatballs reach internal temperature of 150 F. Rest 5 minutes. Serve with dipping sauce and grilled Italian bread.

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## VTA Encouraged by California Budget's Strong Support of Public Transit Projects

The newly signed California state budget represents an historic funding opportunity for public transit operators like the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority.

VTA hopes to see tremendous benefits for major transportation infrastructure projects especially the BART Silicon Valley Phase 2 Project.

Governor Gavin Newsom signed a \$308 billion state spending plan June 30, that includes \$3.65 billion for transit capital projects across the State of California.

Of the allocations for transit, \$1.5 billion is dedicated to projects in Northern California. The budget sets aside no less than \$900 million for projects like VTA's BART extension which previously received state Cap and Trade funding.

"Earlier state investment in the largest transportation infrastructure project in Santa Clara County history demonstrates that VTA is instrumental in achieving California's environmental goals. We are encouraged by this significant commitment to public transportation," said VTA Chair and San Jose Vice Mayor Charles "Chappie" Jones.



## Will Parks of Evergreen Valley named to University of Utah's Dean's List

Will Parks of Evergreen Valley was named to the University of Utah's Spring 2022 Dean's List.

Parks, whose major is listed as Pre Business BS, was among more than 8,900 students named to the Spring 2022 Dean's List at the University. To qualify, students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher in at least 12 graded credit hours during any one term.

The University of Utah is the flagship institution of higher learning in Utah. Founded in 1850, it serves more than 32,000 students from across the U.S. and the world. With over 100 major subjects at the undergraduate level and more than 90 major fields of study at the graduate level, including law and medicine, the university prepares students to live and compete in the global workplace.



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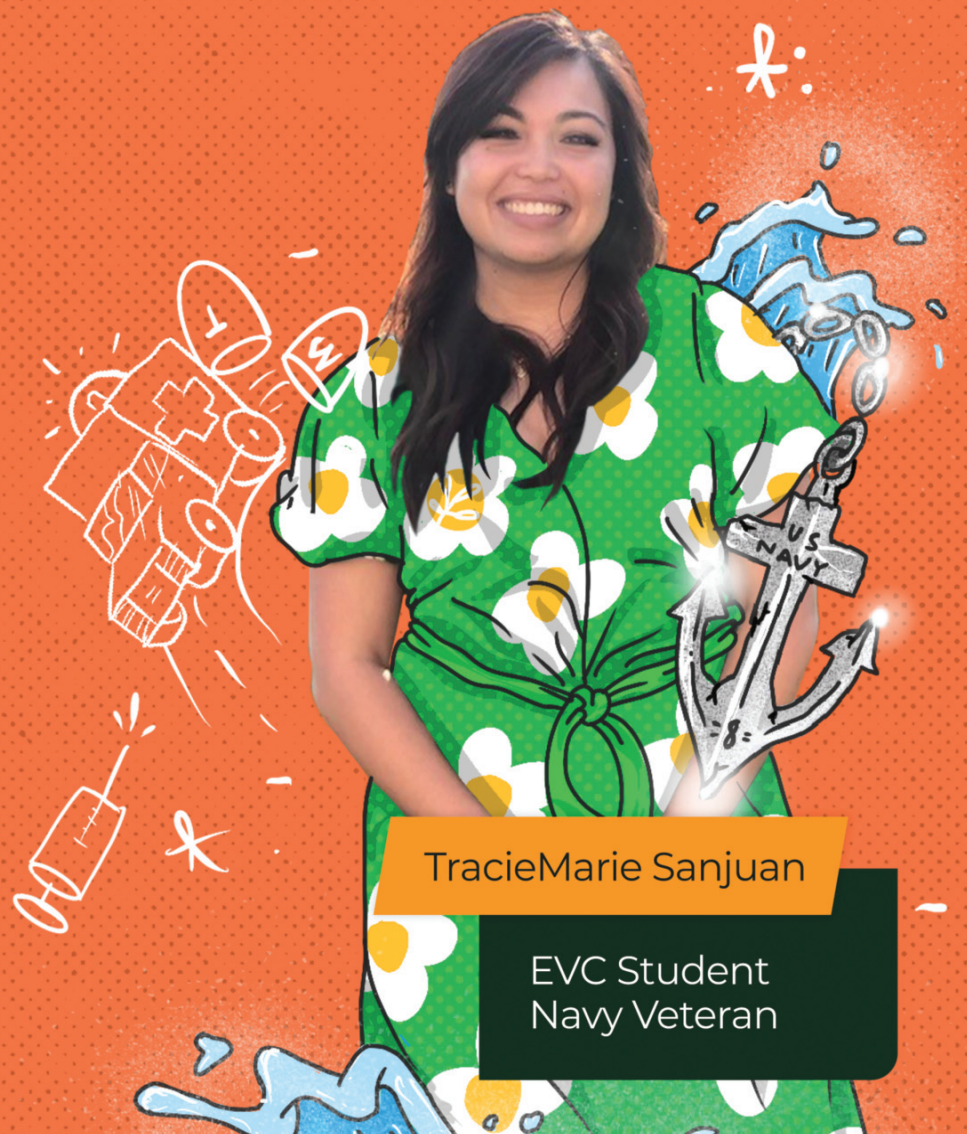


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**Potter the Otter: A Healthy Adventure exhibition re-opens at Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose**

*Museums for All initiative offers inclusion for low-income families*

By **William Bellou**  
Publisher

Thousands of visitors attended the re-opening of the popular STEAM-based exhibition *Potter the Otter: A Healthy Adventure* at Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose.

Featuring the beloved otter's adventures and his discovery that eating fruits and veggies, drinking plenty of water, and staying active helps children become their best selves, the exhibit emphasizes positive messages for parents about the benefits of healthy decisions and affirming fun activities for children.

The exhibition originally opened in February of 2020 with funding from FIRST 5 Santa Clara County, but had to immediately close due to COVID. The exhibition will now run 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through January 15, 2023.

"We're so pleased to bring this exhibition back to the community. The goals of the exhibit remain critically important – curbing childhood obesity and supporting the development of very young children with activities that promote learning through creativity and developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills" said Marilee Jennings, executive director of Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose. "I'm so proud of the work we do with FIRST 5 Santa Clara County to change the lives of very young children by helping families and children make positive choices."

"We are so thrilled to be a part of this celebration as we slowly return to familiar life patterns as we emerge from COVID-19. The re-opening of this exhibit where children can learn, enjoy, and play is a joyous moment," says Jennifer Kelleher Cloyd, chief executive officer of FIRST 5 Santa Clara County. "With recent news of the COVID-19 vaccine being available for our youngest children, we are excited to share our newest Potter the Otter book at this event about helping young children handle their emotions during the pandemic."

With friends – Moose, Goose, Toada, and the Kangaroos – Potter is off to catch a Rain-

bow Racer fish and join a water polo team. Tag along with Potter and pedal a boat, build and stack small logs to forge Rainbow River, explore Lapis Lake and Bubbling Brook, and create a colorful plate in The Market for a healthy adventure!

Near the end of Potter's exploits, children can help Potter catch the Rainbow Racer and take his well-deserved place on the water polo team - celebrating the healthy choices of eating fruits and veggies, drinking plenty of water, and being active.

Cost of museum admission: adults: \$15; children: \$15; seniors: \$14; infants and members are free.

Editor's Note: Reduced Admission Tickets are available so that all are welcome and included in the Discovery Museum experience with the Museums for All initiative. Their website states: Children's Discovery Museum is proud to be part of the Museums for All national initiative.

Ensuring that every child and family has access to high quality museum experiences, Museums for All makes it affordable for all families to discover our fun educational exhibits, programs, and events anytime during regular Museum hours.

Offering an easy way for low-income families to access the Museum at a reduced rate, Museums for All shines a light on our community's commitment to inclusiveness and accessibility for all children regardless of neighborhood, background, or ability to pay.

Museums for All is a cooperative initiative of the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Association of Children's Museums.

All Museums for All tickets must be purchased in-person at the Museum.

\$2 per person for up to four people during regular Museum hours when you show photo ID plus one of the following:

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## Latest effort to help homeless Silicon Valley students: Guaranteed income

By Lorraine Gabbert

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San José Spotlight

Homeless high school students in Santa Clara County may soon receive an income lifeline.

State Sen. Dave Cortese is working to bring guaranteed income to local homeless high school seniors through a pilot program, after a similar bill, SB 1341, failed in the state Legislature. He's asked Santa Clara County Supervisor Susan Ellenberg to help steer the local proposal.

"I am looking forward to introducing this proposal to my colleagues after the July board recess to show the state that providing unhoused high school students with guaranteed income sets them up for future success," Ellenberg said.

Cortese introduced the now-failed state bill in Feb. 2022 to provide guaranteed income for five months to help high school seniors until they begin college, vocational training or enter the workforce. His aim was to disrupt the cycle of homelessness and provide access to higher education. The bill died in an Assembly committee last week when it failed to garner enough votes.

Now, Cortese is hoping to bring a similar policy to Santa Clara County. The local proposal, introduced by the progressive lawmaker a day after his bill died, would provide \$1,000 a month to local homeless high school seniors from April to August 2023. It's unclear how much the program will cost, but funding would come from the state.

### Professor: 11% of students homeless

San Jose State University Sociology Professor Scott Myers-Lipton said the state committee's lack of support is unconscionable when 11% of both California State University and SJSU students are homeless.

For high school students on the cusp of moving onto secondary education, Ellenberg said these extra dollars can make the difference between seeking higher education — or not. According to census data, about 15,000 high school seniors experienced homelessness state-wide in the last school year.

**Critical injection point to avert to poverty**

"We need to be attacking poverty at every possible inflection point," Ellenberg told San José Spotlight. "This transition to post-secondary school or working is an absolutely critical inflection point."

Cortese is looking to build on the success of the Santa Clara County income program for foster youth transitioning out of the system. His new county proposal would include this group as well.

Santa Clara County in June 2020 approved \$1,000 per month in universal basic income for a year to foster youth exiting the foster care system. The first cohort included 72 participants and the second included 50 youth. The foster youth program, set to expire August 2021, was extended six months by county supervisors. They added \$500,000 to the initial \$900,000 allocation.

### If approved would go into effect next summer

Ellenberg plans to bring Cortese's latest guaranteed income proposal to the Board of Supervisors in August or September. If funding is approved through the state, it could go into effect as soon as next summer. Students could receive funds through a debit card or electronic payment, Ellenberg said.

According to county reports, there were about 2,518 homeless students in the 2020-21 school year.

Anthony Majano, president of San Jose State University Student Homeless Alliance, said the situation often worsens for students already struggling with housing and food insecurity once they graduate and lose safety nets like free lunches.

"College homeless students are unable to do their best and succeed at the rate other students can, and they could have if they weren't dealing with all these issues," Majano said.

### Food insecurity

He said struggling students who receive guaranteed income would worry less about where their next meal comes from or how to pay their rent — which distracts from their studies.

"The county should be trying to do more for this demographic," he told San José Spotlight. "College students and children are the future. They should be doing much more to protect these students so they can succeed."

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**TECH JARGON OF THE WEEK**  
**Shared Workspaces**

Have 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 me teach you the meaning of some commonly used tech words:

**Shared Workspaces**

Shared workspaces are ergonomic workstations on a shared floor that can be rented and utilized by the day, hour, month, or year. Shared workspaces provide ultimate flexibility when it comes to term length and location

as they are amply located in many markets around the world. Companies like WeWork provide shared workspaces for technology startup subculture communities, and services for entrepreneurs, freelancers, startups, small businesses, and large enterprises. Shared workspaces offer affordable office space for those looking to escape the isolation of a home office or coffee shop. You’ll see a mix of those people in deep focus at private desks and others striking up engaging conversations at large shared tables. This is the culture of the shared spaces.

These shared workspaces offer a suite of office-like amenities such as hot-desks, private meeting rooms, kitchens, coffee and more. Often, they also offer a community. In addition

to culture, cost is another big draw. One of the advantages of these spaces is the ability to rent out only what you need vs an entire private office space, which can be costly. Through various membership-based models, costs vary and allow for flexibility. These include options for daily fees or monthly fees. Membership costs also differ based on whether you use a shared desk or want a dedicated one.

Shared workspaces boast a “millennial-friendly” outlook and aesthetic. The bright, airy, and comfortable offices it rents out are built around community so people can choose to work in an office or in a shared space, where they can log-on to WIFI, hold meetings and get to know others also using the facili-

ties. A nearby kitchen complete with beer on tap is likely a draw as well. This community is great for the freelance community which is growing steadily amongst the millennials. Millennials – whether full-time or part-time find it effective to come up with fresh ideas and ideate on topics in these collaborative environments.

There are many shared workspaces around downtown San Jose and San Francisco. It will be interesting to see how these workspaces evolve in the next few years.

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**CAREER CORNER**

# Interviewing for successful outcomes

By **Angela Copeland**

With unemployment still relatively low, employers are continuing to struggle to find and retain great talent.



The huge jumps in inflation, and the changing landscape of work, are incentivizing employees to consider switching jobs. Employees are prioritizing themselves and their quality of life more than in the past. With this backdrop, it continues to be surprising that many employers have not updated their hiring practices.

Did you know that for certain jobs, employers expect candidates to go through up to ten rounds of interviews? Many companies use testing as part of their interview process. Some ask candidates to do unpaid work as part of the interview process. And, many employers are taking months to make a hiring decision.

These same employers are blown away when a candidate turns down their job offer, or walks away midway through the process. But, what do they expect? Job seekers are being discerning, and they expect to receive the same level of respect that they're giving.

For example, it's not uncommon for an employer to ask a candidate to reschedule an interview at the last moment due to a conflict. But, if the candidate asks to reschedule an interview, they will most likely never hear back again. This is unfortunate, considering the candidate secretly interviewing while they're working at their current job.

Many interviewers will grill candidates to try to squeeze them during the interview. In many cases, this is to see how the candidate responds under pressure. But, rather than simply getting a read on the candidate, the candidate is also getting a read on the company. They will walk away remembering what a negative experience it was to interview at the company.

Employers are also continuing to leave candidates in the dark for weeks or months during the hiring process. It is expected that the candidate will patiently wait until the company is ready. In reality, the candidate is moving on. They will keep interviewing at other companies until they find one that truly values their time.

When you're the hiring manager, you want to have the control to pick the very best candidate you can find. But, when you treat a candidate in a less than desirable way, you're giving up that control. The only candidate who will be interested in your job is the desperate one.

So, what should a hiring manager do if they want their pick? Be quick. Take weeks to make a hiring decision, not months. Be clear with your communication. Meet when you commit to meeting. Do not put the candidate through never

ending rounds of interviews. And, don't grill candidates as if they're lucky to be talking to you.

Interviewing has become a two way street. If you want to hire the best candidates, you have to give them the best hiring experience. Otherwise, they'll find someone who will. Candidates have choices, and they aren't making decisions solely based on factors like money.

*Angela Copeland, a leadership and career expert, can be reached at [copeland-coaching.com](mailto:copeland-coaching.com).*

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Times Feature



## Santa Clara County Fire Department switches to renewable diesel fuel with goal of obtaining lower emissions, cleaner air

The Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors recently approved an agreement allowing the Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District to switch much of its fleet from operating on traditional (i.e., petroleum-based) diesel to using renewable diesel.

“Renewable diesel is a better way to go,” said County Supervisor Joe Simitian, whose District Five includes the higher-risk wildland-urban interface (aka the WUI) stretching from Palo Alto in the north to San Jose’s Almaden Valley in the south. “It’s better for the environment, it’s better for our air quality, and it’s better for the health and safety of our firefighters and community.”

The idea for making this switch was first raised by Los Altos Hills resident Anand Ranganathan, a constituent of Simitian’s and member of the town’s Environmental Initiatives Committee, an advisory group that provides recommendations on environmental initiatives to the City Council.

The Committee began taking an inventory of the town’s greenhouse gas emissions in 2020 and developed a Climate Action Plan to reduce its emissions. According to Ranganathan, the diesel used by fire trucks contributes to more than a quarter of Los Altos Hills’s municipal greenhouse gas footprint, but that switching to renewable diesel fuel could dramatically improve his community’s municipal footprint.

“I saw that a few big fire departments had switched to using renewable diesel fuel already, so it wasn’t going to be something that’s completely untested,” Ranganathan said. “Renewable diesel has become very popular as a way to cut greenhouse gas emissions. It seemed like a no-brainer to ask the fire department to switch.”

“It’s a reminder that if more people make local changes, then hopefully we can actually do something about climate change,” said Ranganathan. “It’s going to take a lot of this kind of work, but we need to start somewhere.”

The County Fire District’s agreement with its fuel provider, Western States Oil

Company, will provide bulk renewable diesel fuel through 2023. The switch to renewable diesel fuel is expected to contribute to the Central Fire Protection District’s goal of reducing its carbon footprint.

Renewable diesel works like petroleum-based diesel, but is made of nonpetroleum renewable and sustainable resources from a variety of organic material – including soybean oil, waste animal fat, waste fish fat, and used cooking oil. Renewable diesel burns cleaner than regular diesel. And it has been proven to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Renewable fuel is a relatively seamless alternative to conventional diesel fuel since it doesn’t require different storage needs, and vehicles can switch back and forth between the fuels based on availability. Renewable diesel also comes with fewer of the downsides that made biodiesel not a good fit for use in fire apparatus.

“Santa Clara County Fire Department takes its mission of protecting the environment seriously,” said David Snow, Director of Support Services for the Santa Clara County Fire Department. “Implementing this small change in the type of fuel we’re using significantly reduces the impact from both the manufacture and use of diesel fuel in our fire engines and fleet vehicles.”

Involving constituents in the civic engagement process is not new to Simitian. During his time in the State Legislature, he introduced a “There Oughta Be A Law” contest, inviting constituents to send ideas for new laws. Simitian’s idea generated 21 pieces of real-world legislation that eventually became law.

“I’m grateful to Mr. Ranganathan for pointing out the obvious,” said Simitian. “Engaged constituents make our communities stronger. It would be foolish not to be receptive to good ideas from our residents. They care. They’re engaged. And they’re well-informed.”

Ranganathan said he was pleased to see his idea materialize.

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Times **Feature**

# Antique autos in History Park Sept. 17

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The 22nd annual Antique Autos in History Park presented by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club and History San José will take place on Saturday, September 17, 2022 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This event fills History Park (Kelley Park, 693 Phelan Ave, San José, CA) with 200 period-correct pre-1946 vehicles, fire equipment, bicycles, and motorcycles of all makes.

**Entering your antique vehicle**

There is no registration required to enter a vehicle. Just bring your antique vehicle to the gate at History Park.

All vehicles permitted on the grounds of History Park, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. were manufactured between the late 1800s and 1945 and are period-correct.

No vehicle will be allowed on the grounds of History Park during the show that is newer than 1945.

The featured vehicles this year are Horseless Carriages, (Up to 1915).

Also located on the grounds will be the Ear-



ly Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association. There will be antique crafts demonstrated and antique collectibles displayed.

A Dixieland Jazz Band will provide music, songs will be sung by The Fabulous Jewel-Tones, and dancing by the San Francisco Bay Area Vintage Dancers. Food will be available from food trucks and ice cream from O'Brien's Cafe. Activities are provided for kids.

Please note there is NO alcohol, NO pets (except service dogs), and NO BBQs allowed inside the park. These are Park rules and must be followed.

Plan your day around the following:

11:15 Dance Performance

12:00 The Fabulous Jewel-

Tones

12:30 Music by Toot Sweet Jazz Band

12:30 Video: Horseless Carriage Brass Tour

2:00 Model T Put Together

2:30 Barbershop Quartet

3:00 Magician

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Times In Memory

**David R. Soto**

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Resident of Evergreen Valley

David R. Soto died at the age of 83 in Calabasas, California with his four oldest children by his side.



A second generation San Jose resident whose grandparents immigrated to San Jose California from the Azores in the late 19th century, Dave grew up on his parents' 40-acre ranch in the Evergreen hills in San Jose.

As a young boy, he was active in 4H, raising and showing holstein cows. Later, as a teenager and young adult, he enjoyed playing the bass in a dance band with his friends, dancing the night away, bowling in a competitive bowling league and driving fast cars. After graduating from James Lick High School in 1958, Dave served his country as a member of the Army reserves and later worked for his father, Joseph Peters Soto, driving a tractor and helping build many local golf courses while also working nights at a local cannery and starting a business selling firewood with his brother. He quickly realized, though, that these jobs were not where he was meant to build his future. He was 27 years old when he was

first introduced to the world of multilevel marketing (MLM) and from that point on he worked relentlessly to become one of the first highly successful leaders in the MLM industry, considered by most a MLM pioneer. Throughout his 56-year career, Dave traveled the world – living and building successful companies in many different countries.

As a motivational speaker, he led seminars for thousands of people all over the world, teaching them about the power of positive thinking and hard work. He also explored other business opportunities and, in the late 1980s, built a successful nightclub in Campbell, California. He was always happiest when he was meeting new people, pursuing exciting new opportunities and exploring new cultures. Dave is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Peters Soto (1914-1997) and Angelyn Carol (Barcellos) Soto (1915-2000). He is survived by his brother Joseph D. Soto (Betty), his children: David K. Soto (Christina), Deanna Hessler (Chris), Dailene Bray (Chris), Dawn Seward (Eric), Natalia Soto, Valeria Soto and Athina Soto, twelve grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service at Calvary Catholic Cemetery in San Jose on July 18, 2022 beginning at 12:00 pm.

A Celebration of Life will immediately follow at the Drying Shed restaurant in San Jose. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in memory of Dave to the American Cancer Society.

**Richard Elemen**

August 2, 1952 - June 19, 2022  
Graduate of Silver Creek High School

Richard Elemen, the 5th of 8 children, attended Overfelt and Silver Creek High Schools, graduating from the latter in 1970. He played baseball and soccer and became class president. He married his senior year sweetheart Candelaria "Candy" Aguilar, whom he'd first met at age 13.



He began a career with PG&E, working his way up from meter reader to a salaried office position, spending 36 years with the

company until retirement. He passed a love of baseball on to his family – Go Giants! – and formed a softball team with his family, "Snoopers Guys," making the city championships.

He dedicated his life to service and self-reinvention, delivering turkeys to needy families on Thanksgiving, volunteering at his grandchildren's school, and attending night school even in his 60s.

He goes now to join those loved ones who preceded him in crossing to the other side: his mother and father Epifania and Santos Elemen, his brother Bobby, and his daughter Candy ("Snoopers"). His legacy of kindness, care, and love of family lives on in his wife, Candy, his sons Richard, Eric, and Santos, and his grandchildren Richard, Robert, Ember, Akira, and Malinalli.

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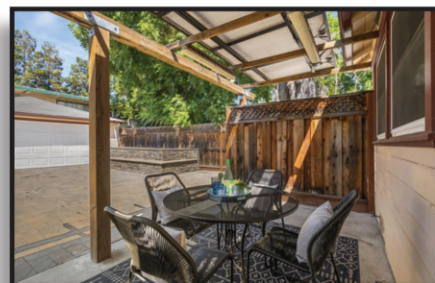
# Open House Sat-Sun 1pm-4pm



## 1940s Bungalow 981 Myrtle Street | Offered at \$1,288,000

**Gorgeous 1940s bungalow with 3 bedrooms and 1.5 bathrooms • 1,000 square feet of living space • Situated on a 5,067 square foot lot • Part of a wonderful neighborhood in San Jose not far from Willow Glen**

This classic bungalow takes you back to a simpler time in the Bay Area, yet it's been updated with plenty of modern flair! Inside, its open floor plan and bright, airy atmosphere provide the perfect environment for hosting. Every space inside seamlessly flows into the other and gleaming hardwood flooring follows you the entire time. The kitchen is perfect for the budding chef and both bathrooms have been recently updated. The covered patio in the back will let you enjoy California dining, no matter the time of year. Part of a peaceful community in San Jose, the home is a short drive to both downtown San Jose, the Rose Garden, and iconic Willow Glen. Its central location makes commuting a breeze, while also giving you the ability to take advantage of the area's spectacular dining, parks, and entertainment options.



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# 20601 Via Santa Teresa

\$4,990,000 | 4 Bed | 4+ Bath | 7158 Sq Ft | 2.62 Acre Lot

Enter the private driveway up to this stunning Almaden Valley executive-style home and you are immediately awestruck by some of the most magnificent panoramic views in Santa Clara County. This architectural masterpiece brings the outside in as it incorporates the sweeping views into almost every room in the home. Gourmet kitchen, office/library, media room, large game room, enormous bonus room that could be an "in-law" suite. Tesla charging station. Solar. 4-car garage with workshop and storage. Numerous balconies as well as the side yard with outdoor kitchen, two sitting areas, fire pit, pergola, hot tub, lawn, and pavers. Top Schools: Graystone, Bret Harte, Leland.



# 790 Finchwood Way

\$2,599,000 | 5 Bed | 3 Bath | 3032 Sq Ft | 8025 Sq Ft Lot

This stunning home in Almaden Valley's quiet Woodside neighborhood is just steps away from the Alamos Creek where you can stroll or bike to Lake Almaden. One of the five bedrooms is on ground floor, and is adjacent to a full bath. Expansive great room with view of Mt Umunhum. Primary suite includes a large walk-in closet, oversized jetted tub, & large granite shower. One upstairs bedroom is extremely large and would make an ideal bonus room. Fully owned 3.9kw solar panels. A seating area with built in benches and sunken hot tub allow enjoyment of the backyard. Top schools: Graystone Elementary, Bret Harte Middle and Leland High.



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