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Noon Year's Eve Celebration at Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose

Celebrate the arrival of 2025 at the Purple Museum by participating in the "count-down to noon across time zones" with family hugs, performances from special guest Choo Choo Soul, and the Museum's version of the famous Ball Drop in Times Square with tons of confetti.

Museum Ball drops are at 12 p.m., 1 p.m., and 2 p.m. At the different drops, "shoutouts" are given to different countries and what people in those countries might be doing at that time.

When: Tuesday, December 31, 2024, 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Ball drops at 12, 1, and 2 p.m.)

Admission: \$18 for children and adults; \$16 for seniors; infants under one & members are free Tickets: <https://www.cdm.org/event/noon-years-eve/>

The Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose is located at 180 Woz Way in San Jose.

About Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose

Kids lead the way at Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose, exploring and discovering through open-ended, play-based learning. More than 150 hands-on exhibits and programs in sciences, humanities, arts, nature, and health spark curiosity and ignite family fun where children build life skills.

Peter Pham wins WWF's 2024 Youth Conservation Leadership Award

By Ryan Zlatanova
Special to the Times

Climate activist Peter Pham of San Jose is the recipient of the World Wildlife Fund – US Youth Conservation Leadership Award for 2024.

This prestigious award is given annually to a young conservation leader for outstanding contributions to the environmental field. It provides a monetary award as well as access to a global platform and experts.

The WWF Youth Conservation Leadership Award which celebrates young environmental leaders across the United States, recognizes Peter's contributions with a \$5,000 grant to further his academic and professional development. Pham plans to use the monetary portion of the award to pursue a master's degree in public policy.

Peter Pham is a climate activist, environmental leader, policymaker, and public servant. Born and raised in San Jose, California, Pham is a co-founding youth leader and board member of Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action,



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a grassroots group dedicated to fighting climate change through local initiatives. Pham has served as a commissioner for public lands, transportation, and redistricting; a board member for several local environmental organizations; and a contributor to the development of microplastic-eating bacteria to aid in combatting pollution. He studied public health at the University of California, Berkeley, and currently works in clean tech.

Think global, act local

In 2019, Pham was part of a youth group that

took a hard look at the state of climate action in the US and realized that there is much it can do to push the needle.

"There is so much attention on the federal level, but the gridlock in national politics often means that climate action will be slow at that level," Pham said.

State and local policy, however, is significantly easier to influence. Its impact is often immediately felt. Not only that but there are often far fewer people advocating for climate

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San Jose holiday tradition needs the spirit of giving to stay afloat

By Annalise Freimarck
San José Spotlight

Dozens of people crowd around hundreds of trees wearing Santa hats and reindeer antlers, hanging ornaments and laughing. San Jose's beloved Christmas in the Park is about to enchant Plaza de Cesar Chavez.

This year, the nonprofit that brings the holi-



Debbie Degutis, Christmas in the Park managing director, said the nonprofit is relying on some of the 700,000 visitors to consider donating to keep the tradition alive. Photo by Annalise Freimarck.

day joy is asking people to pull out their wallets to fill a six-figure gap and keep the tradition alive. Christmas in the Park needs about \$100,000 going forward after three key sponsors pulled

out because of the poor economy. The funding gap won't affect the more than 44-year-old tradition this year but could affect next year's festivities. The fun begins with the Nov. 29 tree lighting ceremony in downtown San Jose.

Debbie Degutis, Christmas in the Park managing director, said without the money, staff won't be able to invest in new interactive activities and upgrades to the older displays to keep things fresh. Degutis said the event will be back next year and isn't going away, but she's relying on the expected 700,000 visitors to come up with the \$100,000 to avoid pinching pennies.

She added the best way the community can show support is by buying a ticket to the nonprofit's other event: History Park's drive-thru light show. The light show is open through Jan. 1 and offers more than a mile of twinkling lights. Tickets range from \$25 to \$30 per car, depending on the day.

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Christmas in the Park

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“More than ever, we really need the community to step up and support the largest community event in the city,” Degutis told San José Spotlight.

Christmas in the Park is free and relies largely on donations, sponsorships and fundraising to recreate the holiday magic year after year.

Real estate developer Chuck Toeniskoetter is one of those donors. His companies, including real estate and development businesses and Silver Creek Self Storage, donated \$25,000 this year. He said as someone who took his four kids when they were little, he donated because it’s a gem for families.

“They’ve got Santa, they’ve got the Christmas tree, music — it’s just a happy place to be able to take your kids,” he told San José Spotlight.

The festivities expand past the holiday cheer in the heart of downtown, uplifting the area’s small businesses as hundreds of thousands of people walk through the bustling streets.

Alex Stettinski, CEO of the San Jose Downtown Business Association, said the economic boost during the holiday season is critical to downtown’s vitality. The area has struggled to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic which left it saddled with high commercial and office vacancy rates.

Stettinski said the ice skating rink — provided by the downtown association next to the Signia Hotel — along with Christmas in the Park transform the city’s core.

“All these (events) that we have throughout the year are absolutely crucial to keep driving people and visitors into downtown to frequent our businesses,” he told San José Spotlight. “It absolutely has an immediate impact on the



Christmas in the Park needs to fill a \$100,000 gap to avoid pinching pennies for next year’s festivities. Photo by Annalise Freimarck.

vitality of our business economy.”

The heart of the tradition, however, is the joy it brings to people every year, from the sugary hot chocolate topped with copious amounts of whipped cream to the 600 trees organizations and families who decorate between holiday displays.

San Jose resident Erin McCarthy has been coming to the event since she was a child. She takes her nieces and nephews each year and participated in decorating a tree this year for Orchard Middle School, where she teaches. She wants to continue doing it for years to come.

“Some traditions are just the bedrock of society,” she told San José Spotlight. “They give people a sense of belonging, being part of something that’s bigger than themselves.”

Degutis has also been coming since she was a child, when she and her parents made it a tradition to volunteer at the information booth on Christmas Eve. She has about 20 years of photos with Santa as an adult and wants that magic to stick around.

“Things in life really aren’t free, and if we treasure something, we need to take care of it,” she said. “So I’m hoping people will help take care of Christmas in the Park.”

The Firebird

January 25 & 26, 2025
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With music as enchanting and lavishly colorful as the title character, *The Firebird* is the perfect way to **celebrate the new year**.

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Pham

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action on the local scale. In this gap, Pham and his peers saw an opportunity to harness the groundswell of youth energy for climate action and create something tangible in the shape of Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action. "We identified a need, found our niche, and created a strategy," Pham said.

Since its conception, Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action has grown from an advocacy group to an established non-profit organization with several staff members. It has already made waves by contributing to:

- Establishing new building standards for the city that make construction more sustainable and efficient and reduce the demand for fossil fuels;
- Legislation to create more clean water infrastructure in schools;
- Establishing state penalties for offshore oil spills to protect marine wildlife;
- Improving forest management and wildfire preparedness in the state;
- Channeling \$2 million in funding for climate-focused curricula in schools;
- And over 25 other state bills



"There is so much attention on the federal level, but the gridlock in national politics often means that climate action will be slow at that level," said Peter Pham. Photo courtesy of Peter Pham

that impact more than 39.5 million Californians.

Pham emphasizes that there are myriad connections between fighting climate change and protecting nature from destruction and biodiversity loss. His advocacy has extended to helping protect key areas like California's Coyote Val-

ley and boosting urban reforestation in San Jose.

"I envision a future where kids like me don't have to step away from enjoying life to solve existential crises."

The journey to leadership

Pham described the path that led him to become a conservation

leader as "a gradual awakening" that ended with "a eureka moment." He comes from a family of Vietnamese immigrants who fled political turmoil and avoided engaging in politics because they came from a place where it was life-threatening to participate. As a student, Pham made an impression on one of his educators who asked him if he had ever considered running for office. He refers to that moment as "planting the seed" which was then "nurtured to life" by others around him who encouraged him to find his voice and consider ways to be a change-maker.

The spark that pushed him into action came from the 2018 Camp Fire, the deadliest and most destructive wildfire in California history. Pham watched his mother struggle with asthma while the devastation across his home region threatened the stability his immigrant parents had worked so hard for.

"Despite being taught my entire life to stay out of politics and to keep my head low, I made a decision to join and lead in the youth climate movement because it became clear that our institutions were not doing a sufficient job of stewarding the environment and humankind," said Pham.



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Reflecting on an incredible journey

By Arjun Batra

As my term on the San José City Council has come to a close last week, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we have shared and, on the community, we have worked together to strengthen. Representing District 10 has been one of the greatest honors of my life.

From the beginning of my appointment as Councilmember, I have been deeply committed to nurturing a San José that thrives on its diversity—where everyone feels empowered to celebrate their culture,

traditions, heritage, and unique abilities, while fostering mutual respect and understanding. This commitment has been a cornerstone of my work, and I am honored to have culminated my time in office with the proclamation of Human Rights Day at my final City Council meeting of December 3, 2024.



District 10 Report
Arjun Batra
Councilmember,
District 10

This proclamation reflects not only my dedication to promoting inclusivity and equity but also on our city's shared values of dignity, justice, and respect for all. To highlight these ideals, we chose to invite organizations whose far-reaching local work and impactful policy efforts align with these principles.

With deepest gratitude for the opportunity to serve this vibrant community, I look forward to continuing to support and engage with all of you.



San Jose City Councilmember Arjun Batra honored Bloomster's Floral Design located in District 10 as part of the 2nd Annual City of San José Business Appreciation Awards hosted by the Office of Economic Development. Batra presented Bloomster's Floral Design, which not only creates exquisite floral arrangements and installations, but also gives back to the community in many ways. Pictured are (left to right) Kren Rasmussen, owner of Bloomster's, and Councilmember Batra.



District 10 Leadership Coalition hosts final meeting of the year

The District 10 Leadership Coalition met last month at the Santa Teresa Library for the final D10-LC meeting of the year. San Jose Councilmember Arjun Batra was honored to accept a proclamation, presented by Richard Crowley in recognition of my last two years

of service on the San Jose City Council.

Scott Sherwood of the Pfeiffer Ranch HOA, provided an informative presentation about the Flock license plate reading cameras that were installed in their neighborhood and SJPD Captain Donohue was in attendance to answer questions about the program.

The next D10-LC meeting will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2025, from 9am to 12pm at the Almaden Community Center.

For more information and to get involved, visit the D10-LC website at www.SJd10leadership.org.



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The Cambodian American Studies Model Curriculum will incorporate diverse perspectives on the Cambodian genocide, including survivor testimonies, to ensure high-quality educational materials. Following the passage of Assembly Bill 167 in 2021, which amended California Education Code sections regarding the Cambodian genocide, the California Department of Education is collaborating with county offices to develop this curriculum. Feedback from researchers, community partners, and Cambodian ancestry community members prompted the model curriculum team to expand its focus to include Cambodian American experiences beyond the genocide, resulting in the curriculum's renaming. The final content will encompass the histories, cultures, and heritages of Cambodian American communities.

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2. Connecting educators with community members and cultural practices
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Times **Local News**

Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose to host El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos cultural event

Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose will host its 27th annual El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos cultural event on January 11, 2025 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Special programming starts at 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The celebration will feature art activities, tortilla making, Rosca de Reyes tasting, photo opportunities with the Three Kings, ballroom dancing with Studio M, and lively folklórico dance performances and instruction from local dance groups Los Lupeños Juve-



nil, Brenda Lopez Folklorico Group, and El Grito de La Cultura.

Attendees are encouraged to perform their talents at our open mic event. Miss World America 2024, Athenna Crosby, who is a San Jose

native and proud Latina-American, will host an engaging bilingual storytime about the Tres Reyes for attendees.

The Día de los Tres Reyes Magos event was originally conceived and



designed in partnership with an advisory board composed of local leaders from the Latino community. Twenty-seven years later, it has become a much anticipated and popular program, and the

Museum is thrilled to continue this joyful tradition.

"We believe it is important to create programs where people from all backgrounds can explore the rich customs and traditions that represent the diverse cultures in Silicon Valley," said Jéssica Torres, Director of Education and Programs at the Museum. "It's critical that children and families see themselves and their culture represented in the community and in community organizations such as ours."

About El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos

The Three Kings (or Epiphany – the Feast of the Three Kings) is widely celebrated by many cultures around the world and is observed in many Spanish-speaking countries. The holiday celebrates the three kings' arrival in Bethlehem with gifts for the baby Jesus. Our program brings to life these rich traditions of family gatherings, gift giving, music, dance, and art activities.

Admission: \$18 for children and adults; \$16 for seniors; infants under one & members are free. Tickets: <https://www.cdm.org/event/el-dia-de-los-tres-reyes-magos>

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TECH JARGON OF THE WEEK

Responsible AI

By Shubi Asthana



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:

Responsible AI

The increasing use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has sparked public interest in how best to responsibly embrace – and regulate – path-breaking technologies. Citizens want to understand how AI can reshape industries, replace jobs and ethical considerations that are going on in AI development. In short, what is responsible AI and how is it being implemented.

Responsible AI is a set of principles and normative declarations used to document and regulate how artificial intelligence systems should be developed, deployed, and governed to comply with ethics and laws. In other words, organizations attempting to deploy AI models responsibly first build a framework with pre-defined principles, ethics, and rules to govern AI.

Today, the models and data that they are trained on are far from perfect. They may introduce intended and unintended negative outcomes. Often, the data sets used to train machine learning (ML) models introduce bias

into AI. This is caused by either incomplete or faulty data, or by the biases of those training the ML model. When an AI program is biased, it can end up negatively affecting or hurting humans -- such as unjustly declining applications for financial loans or, in healthcare, inaccurately diagnosing a patient.

Responsible AI frameworks aim at mitigating or eliminating the risks and dangers machine learning poses. For this, companies should make their models transparent, fair, secure, and reliable, to say the least. At a base level, responsible AI should be built around development standards that focus on the principles for responsible AI design. As these principles differ per organization, each one should be carefully considered. AI should be built with resources according to a company-wide development standard that mandates the use of the following:

- Shared code repositories.
- Approved model architectures.
- Sanctioned variables.
- Established bias testing methodologies to help determine the validity of tests for AI systems.
- Stability standards for active machine learning models to ensure AI programming works as intended.

AI models should be built with concrete goals that focus on building a model in a safe, trustworthy, and ethical way.

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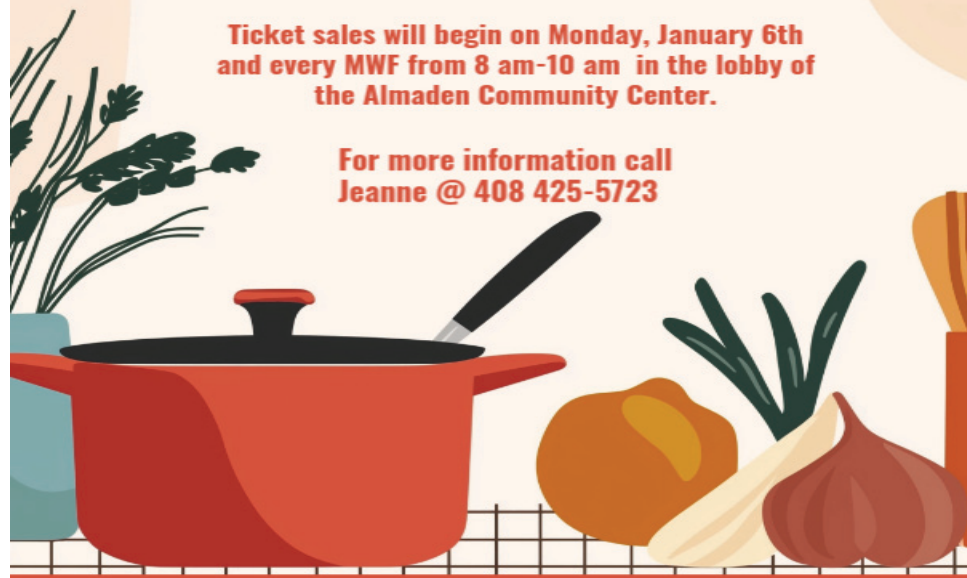
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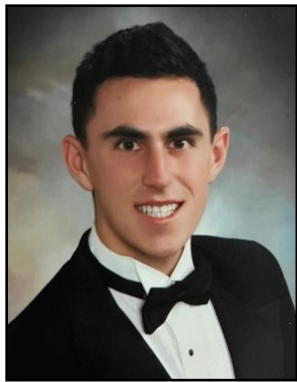
Gavin Drucker

09/17/1995 -11/23/2024

Attended Almaden Country School; played in Almaden Little League

Gavin Cunha Drucker passed away on November 23, 2024, in San Jose, California.

He is survived by his parents Douglas Drucker and Gloria



Cunha Drucker, his sister Natalie Drucker, a loving extended family and many friends. He will be remembered as a brilliant and loving person with exceptional abilities.

Gavin attended Almaden Country School, Bellarmine College Preparatory, and the University of California, Santa Barbara for mechanical engineering. He was a playful, joyful, intelligent, curious, thoughtful and respectful boy. He was a determined, hard-working and diligent young man. He was courageous and forthright. He loved his family, his friends, his classmates and his teammates. Gavin loved building things and was inventive and creative. His middle school Lego robotics team was selected to attend the international competition in Atlanta, Georgia. Gavin was a brilliant and amazing scholar who loved learning. He was exceptional in math and science. He was Valedictorian for his middle school class and gave the graduation speech. He was a National Merit Scholar at Bellarmine.

He played in Almaden Little League, rowed for the Los Gatos Rowing Club, and played Lacrosse for the Vipers. He was a passionate and enthusiastic teammate.

He was an amazing son, brother, friend, cousin, grandson, student, and nephew. Gavin's passing creates a tremendous loss in many lives. Gavin unexpectedly passed due to a pulmonary embolism that led to cardiac arrest. He loved life and fought to stay here with us to the end.

Services were held on Dec. 7th at Holy Spirit Parish.

The family requests no gifts. Donations can be made to Hunger At Home.

Mary Louise DeWitt Sheehan

5/23/1938 - 11/22/2024

Volunteered at Almaden Community Center teaching watercolor

Mary passed away on 11/22/24 peacefully after a 30-year battle with Parkinson's disease. She was born in New York City to Edward and Louise DeWitt and grew up in New Jersey with her loving parents and brother, Larry.

After graduating cum laude from Marywood University in Pennsylvania, Mary volunteered to teach in Alabama as



part of the Catholic Lay Apostolate which placed recent college graduates in the schools of the Diocese of Montgomery/Mobile.

After a year of volunteering in Alabama, Mary returned home to teach art in Nutley, NJ. She was beckoned by the lure of adventure and headed West with a group of friends. Mary loved California and decided to remain for a year teaching school in San Bruno. She met her future husband, Peter, at a church dance and the Bay Area became her home. They celebrated their 60th anniversary in December 2023.

Mary and Peter had three sons. While raising three rambunctious boys, Mary and a friend formed Carousel Creations, a successful craft giftware company. Her designs and hand-made decorative

objects touched the lives of many families and created treasured memories.

Mary was a dedicated volunteer in her community as an active member of St. Anthony's Church and former president of the Unicorn Thrift Shop. She volunteered her time at the Almaden Community Center teaching watercolor painting classes. Mary was well-known at the Community Center as a playwright who wrote clever comedies featuring Almaden seniors.

She is survived by her husband, Peter, sons James (Jennie) of Brooklyn NY, Jeffrey (Janet) of Santa Rosa CA, Christopher (Karen) of Charlotte, NC, grandchildren Jack, Emily, Imogen, and George, sister-in-law Arline DeWitt (brother Larry deceased), brother-in-law Wally Sheehan (Carol), and many relatives and friends.

A memorial mass will be said at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 20101 McKean Rd., San Jose, CA 95120 at a later date.

Interment will be private. Contributions can be made to the Parkinson's Institute, 675 Almanor Ave., Sunnyvale CA or St. Anthony's Church, 20101 McKean Rd., San Jose, CA 95120.

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Senator Cortese wants California to stop selling polluting diesel trains to other countries

By William Bellou
Publisher

State Senator Dave Cortese (D-Silicon Valley) introduced a bill that restricts the resale of California decommissioned diesel trains for continued use on Dec. 2.

Cortese, who is the chair of the Senate Transportation Committee, is authoring the bill because Caltrain recently finalized an agreement to transfer its retired diesel fleet to the municipality of Lima, Peru, following the electrification of its network. The fleet includes 90 gallery cars

and 19 diesel locomotives, originally built between 1985 and 1987.

“This is no way to run a railroad by taking the diesel off California’s carbon footprint then putting it right back on in Peru. Are we not all fighting to decarbonize the same air?” asked California State Senator Dave Cortese, Senate Transportation chair. “As a world leader in decarbonization in our transportation sector, we need to lead on this. We need to be serious about decarbonization worldwide.”

The majority of greenhouse gas emissions from transportation are carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions resulting from the combustion of petroleum-based products, like gasoline and diesel fuel, in internal combustion engines

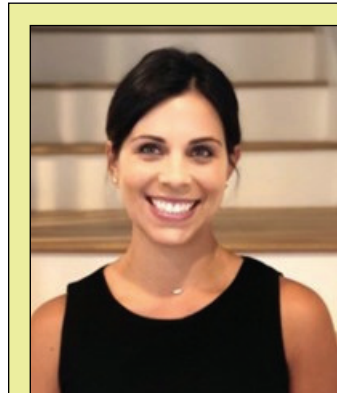
To make our air cleaner, California has high targets for reducing our greenhouse gas emissions and is attempting to meet those targets by investing in trains that emit fewer greenhouse gas emissions. Generally, this is through the replacement of locomotives with those which are either zero-emission, or lower-emission.



Kaiser Hospital Groundbreaking Ceremony

A groundbreaking ceremony for Kaiser Permanente’s new, state-of-the-art, all-electric hospital recently took place last month at Hospital Parkway and International Circle. This modern facility will replace the 50-year-old hospital. The ceremony, which included a blessing dance by the Calpulli Tonalehqueh Aztec Dance Group, marked the beginning of a project that will bring significant advancements to healthcare in the area. The new hospital, scheduled to open in the fall of 2029, will feature 300 private patient rooms, cutting-edge medical technology, and a focus on patient comfort and safety.

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Reid-Hillview Airport first airport in the US to offer unleaded fuel for all general aviation aircraft

Reid-Hillview Airport becomes first in country to sell 100-octane unleaded fuel

By William Bellou
Publisher

Reid-Hillview Airport has become the first airport in the US to offer unleaded fuel that can be used in all general aviation aircraft.

After a controversial report in 2021 arose about high blood lead levels in children living near Reid-Hillview, officials began phasing out leaded fuel at the airport. The study analyzed 17,000 blood samples taken from children living around the airport from 2011 to 2020.

Director of County Airports Eric Peterson said nearly 35 percent of general aviation aircraft in the country cannot use the lower-octane unleaded fuel. Lead concerns also have been a hot-button issue contributing to whether or not the county might close the airport in future years.

"Offering G100UL to our airport users has been years in the making," Peterson said. "This fueling alternative positions RHV as the first airport in the nation to offer unleaded aviation fuel for the entire general aviation community and we are pretty excited



The offer ensures that every piston-powered plane can refuel with unleaded aviation gas. Photo courtesy of Reid-Hillview

about that."

The new fuel averages \$7 per gallon for full-service fuel delivery. Fueling hours at Reid-Hillview Airport are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day of the week. The unleaded fuel is slightly less expensive than 94-octane leaded fuel.

Peterson said around 125 certificates were issued last Saturday. Bay Area pilots who don't keep their aircraft at either Santa Clara County airport were also able to get 25 gallons of the G100UL fuel.

Stephen McHenry, a pilot based at the San Martin Airport in the southern part of the county, said the pilots he has heard from are embracing the additional offer for unleaded fuel.

A fueling operator at San Martin Airport is expected to distribute the 100-octane fuel there as well.

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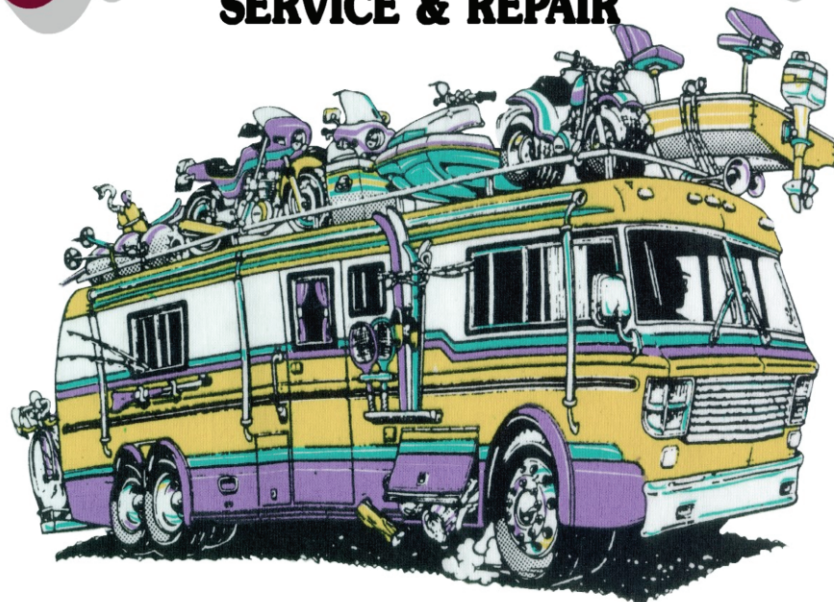
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