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'Searching for a second genesis of life in our Solar System'

Leading NASA scientist Dr. Chris McKay to speak at monthly astronomy talk at Evergreen College

By William Bellou
Publisher

Renowned NASA scientist Dr. Chris McKay will speak at the monthly Astronomy Talk at Evergreen College at 7 p.m. May 6.

About the speaker: Chris is a world renowned research scientist with the NASA Ames Research Center. His researches have been featured in various



Dr. Chris McKay

TV shows, such as "The Universe" and NOVA. His current research focuses on the evolution of the solar system

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Thousands attend new Village Square Branch Library; Guinness world language record attempt successful

By Sean Eastwood and Neharika Bandaru Times Staff Writers

ore than 2,000 residents turned out on April 16 for the grand opening of the new jewel of Evergreen Valley: the new Village Square Branch Library.

Libraries are one of the only places that invite a community to come together and grow, and the crowd was more than enthusiastic to see the new state-of-the-art 16,000 square foot library which was built on time, and under budget.

On the picture perfect day, visi-

tors were amazed at the beauty of the facility and artwork. "The library is so beautiful I want to cry," said a child as she walked in through the doors following the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The library is eye candy with thousands of brand new books, computers, CDs and DVDs. The designers of the building used a color scheme to blend in with the surroundings, and added a rotunda to give it a civic look. There are group rooms, one with video conferencing technology.

The library, designed to attract people of all ages, is filled with See LIBRARY, page 20

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Times Local News

Evergreen home scene of homicides

By Sean Eastwood

Times Staff Writer

Police have identified two victims' bodies shot to death as homicide detectives search for clues in a homicide investigation of a couple on Lucas Court in Evergreen.

Officers arrived on the scene at the 3000 block of Lucas Court and blocked its access on Sunday afternoon, April 24 at approximately 1:47 p.m. while family member waited behind the barrier.

Family members found one body after the couple failed to answer phone calls and immediately contacted police. Police discovered the second body in the home short-

ly thereafter. Both victims were shot once. The victims are Shamima Rabbi and Golam Rabbi

Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Sergeant Pat Guire or Detective Ken Tran of the San Jose Police Department's Homicide Unit at (408) 277-5283.

Persons wishing to remain anonymous may either call the Crime Stoppers Tip Line, (408) 947-STOP (7867), or click the "Submit a Tip" link below.

Persons providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspect may be eligible for a cash reward from the Silicon Valley Crime Stoppers.



Book launch party held at Carolyn Clark School

Karin Sanders' first graders at Carolyn Clark held their book launch party. The event kicked off the release of their newest addition to iBooks, "C105 Comic Collection." The students read their comics to lucky visitors to class. The three winners will participate in the Global Comic Creator competition. You can read the comics on iTunes at http://tinyurl.com/C105Vol1 and http://tinyurl.com/C105Vol2.

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and the origin of life. He is also actively involved in planning for future Mars missions including human exploration

The search for a second genesis of life in our solar system is a prime goal of astrobiology. Where might we find it? Following the water, the plume of Enceladus, meters below the surface of Mars, the methane seas of Titan. They all may have life and if they do, that life will be fundamentally different from life as we know.

Public Stargazing: Enjoy a free public stargazing session after the talk at the Montgomery Hill Observatory, Evergreen Valley College, from 8:30 pm to 10 pm.

View Jupiter with its moons, Orion Nebula, open cluster - Pleiades and many other objects. There will be free parking available after 6 p.m.in the school's parking lot number 6 for this special event.

Evergreen's Rajjot Indian restaurant is providing food after the talk, for social hour.

Raffle tickets are available at only \$1 for a chance to win New Seasons Market \$25 Gift Card.

When: Friday, May 6th, 7 pm - 8 pm. Where: Visual Performing Arts (VPA) Theater, Evergreen Valley College, 3095 Yerba Buena Rd, San Jose, CA 95135. Cost: Free

Social Hour: 8:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Visual Performing Arts (VPA) Theater, EVC

Enjoy free food, mingle with the community and make new friends.

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For questions, contact Nargis Adham at: montgomeryhillobservatory@gmail.com. Join our Meetup group "Starry Evergreen, at the Montgomery Hill observatory" to get details about our future free public events at http://www.meetup.com/Starry-Evergreen-at-the-Montgomery-Hill-Observatory/.

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Volunteer zeal in Evergreen District 8 on Earth Day

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

arth Day, Saturday, April 23 was a special day for volunteers from local schools to show their enthusiasm for a clean neighborhood and an unpolluted earth.

Groups of eager teenagers from local schools joined Vice Mayor Rose Herrera's office staff for the Great American Litter Pick-up on a beautiful April day.

Pick-up sticks used by volunteers could be seen opening and closing busily as trash was placed in plastic sacks held by other volunteers. Unfortunately, sacks were filled quickly as refuse, thrown by unthinking citizens, was scattered profusely along the streets and roads of District 8.

This volunteer effort, an annual affair, celebrating Earth Day, encouraged students and citizens of District 8 to earn volunteer hours with a chance to win a raffle prize, and at the same time, keep their neighborhood clean.

Registration began at the Evergreen Branch Library, 2635 Aborn Rd. at 8:30 am, clean up began at 9 am and all volunteers were served a celebration lunch at 11:30 am.

Another kick-off location was at the Boys and Girls Club-Smythe Clubhouse at 2195



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Cunningham Ave. A book sale at the Evergreen Branch Library enhanced the festive doings and perhaps enlarged the volunteer pool as passersby's saw the sign-up booth in the parking lot.

The large turnout demonstrated that there are a lot people living in Evergreen and Silver Creek Valley who really care about the environment and celebrate the spirit of volunteerism.

Cub Scout Pack 264 completes flower bed beautification project at Silver Oak School

he Cub Scouts Pack 264 got together on a rainy Saturday morning to say thanks to their host school silver Oak by taking on a project to beautify the flower beds of the main entrance to the school.

The scouts and parents spent several hours on the ambitious task of moving more than four tons of organic ground cover onto the eight flowerbeds leading to the main entrance of the school.

In addition to its decorative quality, 14 yards of environmentally friendly LEED-certified organic mulch will reduce the water requirement of the plants the scouts planted last year, prevent weed growth and enrich the soil with beneficial nutrients.

The scouts said, "We want to the



Rutvik Singireddy (left) and Yavan Meda (right) help with the flower bed.

thank the staff of Silver Oak for giving us the support we needed to carry out our mission of community service, outdoor education and teaching the leadership skills needed to succeed in our future."

"We would also like to thank all the parents and kids of Pack 264 that donated the mulch and provided the army of manpower needed to help us improve our local school," said Philip Sansone, Wolf Den Leader.

If you have questions about joining the scouting program, or want to stop by to check them out, call Philip Sansone at (408) 515-7690 or send an e-mail to silveroak.cubscout@gmail.com.



Above: **Shivane Senthil Kumaran** from the Tiger Den; below: Bears Den Leader, **Paulo Oliveira**, lends a hand.



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Pros and Cons: Netflix

By Saisri Rayapati

Special to the Times

ou know that red and white ad that says that you can watch how many every movies you want and pay the low price of \$8.99? Well it is probably the best thing anyone has ever thought of, but Netflix is getting its users addicted by making them binge-watch. Sadly, even bingewatching one season can lead to depression, loneliness, and anxiety.

So far, Netflix is a multi-billion dollar company that's rising against other companies like CBS and Hulu. The formula allowing users to watch as many episodes as you want without having to wait every week for one to come out, is the huge program grabbing everyone's attention.

Out of all of this, there is a big catch to "Netflixing" all day or all night long. Researchers have proven that binge-watching Netflix is leading to depression, loneliness, and also causes anxiety and stress. This is causing young users that are in middle and high school to not get their homework done on time, and also causing adult users to be really tired when they arrive at work.

Interviews conducted by this reporter, con-

firms that teens who binge-watched Netflix think they have nothing better to do and feel lonely. A poll that was also conducted by this reporter shows that three out of ten teens binge-watched Netflix daily for 3-5 hours and that most kids felt happy when they watched Netflix. Also, that most kids knew that they shouldn't be binge-watching Netflix on weekdays, but couldn't help themselves.

As Netflix being the main reason binge-watching and it being called the new normal. Netflix is leading their users to binge watching by automatically playing the next episode after fifteen seconds. As it counts down you know you shouldn't watch another episode, but after a few hours you're already halfway through the season and never want to stop until you finish the whole season.

Even though it's counting down just press the x button; there is always tomorrow for that episode and the day after that for another one. Don't travel into the black hole of binge-watching and the galaxy of "Netflixing" because there is always a tomorrow.

Editor's note: Saisri Rayapati 8th grade student at Miller Middle School.

Exciting events planned for Evergreen Community Center

By Frank Shortt
Times Staff Writer

Summer is approaching and with it some great happenings at the Evergreen Community Center. The community center's knowledgeable staff will insure there will be fun for all at each event.

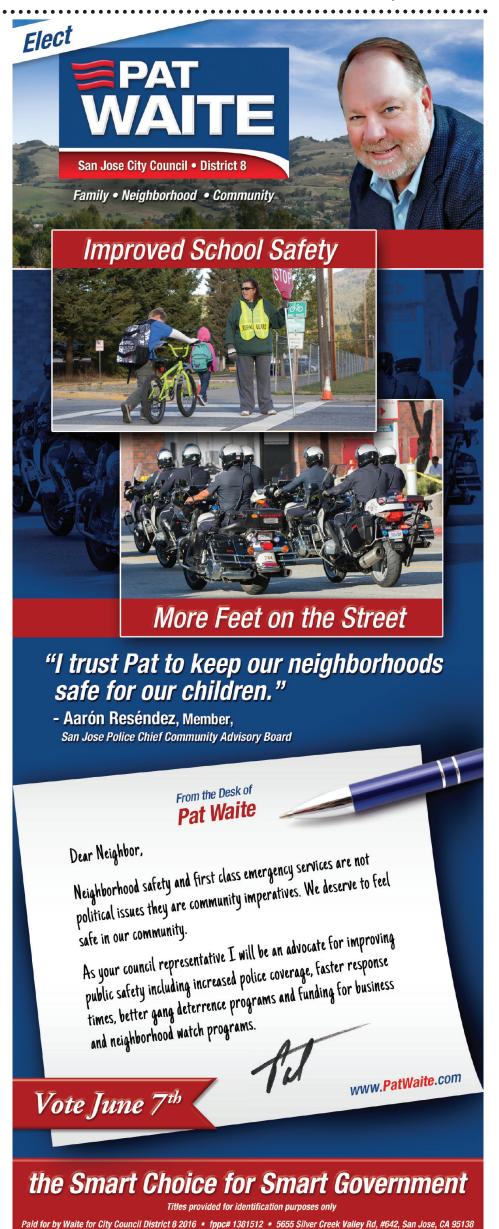
Evergreen Summer Camps

A variety of camps are being beginning June 13. For all would-be cooks, there will be a culinary camp. Have you ever yearned to learn chess, you may do so at chess camp. Then there will be Video Game Design, Robotics with Lego, Comic Book Design, even Computer Animation, and the list goes on and on! Parents can take advantage of these offerings to allow time for shopping, or a rest. One of the instructors, My Nguyen, will be presenting 'Hip-Hop' dancing. This should be an exciting class for anyone interested in such. Community Center administra-

tor, Gerontology Specialist, Ijeoma Eke, says, "These Summer camps are designed to assure that each participant will be both entertained and gain knowledge for their chosen topic."

What is your greatest performing asset? Maybe you are a dancer, or maybe a juggler! Perhaps you are a singer, or maybe you write and recite poetry! Whatever your unique forte, the spotlight awaits you at the Fifth Annual Evergreen Talent of Stars Showcase! This event called 'Talent of Stars' will take place on Fri. May 20, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mark your calendars for this important event.

While you are at the Center, why not take advantage of becoming a member? The cost is minimal and the offerings are abundant. The Center is located at 4860 San Felipe Rd. Gerontology Specialist, IJeoma Eke, may be reached at 408.270.2220 for any information you may require.



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San Jose City Council District 8 candidates (left to right) are: **Pat Waite**, **Joshua Barousse**, **Denise Belisle**, **Jimmy Nguyen**, and **Sylvia Arenas**.

Candidates speak out at public forum

Second installment – more answers from the candidates

By William Bellou

Publisher

Progression Times published the first set of answers presented to District 8 City Council Candidates at the Roundtable sponsored Candidates Forum held on April 7 at the Evergreen Community Center.

We are now publishing the second half of the questions presented to each candidate by the League of Women Voters' representative Gloria Chun Hoo.

Each candidate had 10 seconds for lightening round questions (LRQ) and one to two minutes to respond to complex questions. District 8 Roundtable and the audience provided the questions, which ranged from the Evergreen College retail development proposal to human trafficking.

As we stated in the first installment, the answers for each question are exactly as stated, verbatim, without syntax and grammar corrections. The transcripts have been checked several times for accuracy by the Evergreen Times editorial department.

San Jose City Council District 8 candidates, *Sylvia Arenas, Joshua Barousse, Denise Belisle, Jimmy Nguyen, and Pat Waite* participated in the event:

What is your position on extending Light Rail to Eastridge and connecting to BART? (Reminder: The answers are unedited so that responses from the candidates would not be altered.)

Pat Waite: "I'm all for extending light rail to Eastridge and I think it's a crime that it hasn't happened yet. Several years ago VTA made a decision that ended up slowing the project



down and making it cost more, because they found out there were federal funds available. So they had to redo the environmental study, and there are higher standards to comply with federal requirements, so it's taking them longer and it's going to cost more. Will it get us around faster? No. Will it get us around more cheaply? No. We've got to stop doing stupid things like that; because it's our money. The guy's response when I challenged him on it was that it was federal money. We're doing it because it is federal money. I pay federal taxes too, that's my money. So stop spending someone else's money, and treating it like free money.

There's no such thing as free money. "Let's finish the project and get light rail down here."

Joshua Barousse: "Yeah, I also support getting light rail down to Evergreen, err to Eastridge. As Pat Wait mentioned, the harsh realities is that the funding was approved so



long ago and it's been kicked around to fund other budgets. So, that's one of my priorities that if and when I'm elected that I'm going to have to make sure that the project is done on time and on budget. And, as I mentioned before, you know, we're all fighting to get, we are such a big community, we are all fighting to get out in the morning, and we are fighting to get back in the evening we need that option to move our residents to other parts of the city and to other parts of the county in a more timely manner and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. And as far as Bart extension also we must support that project connecting the houses, it's about time we have the infrastructure needed to transport our residents and connect to other parts of the Bay Area and connect those residents with, and connect them to other parts of the city and downtown and north San Jose. Overall, I'm in favor of these transportation projects."

Jimmy Nguyen: "Yes I'd love for light rail to get to Eastridge and then extending Bart as well for us, especially residents of Evergreen know, it's tuff to get us out of

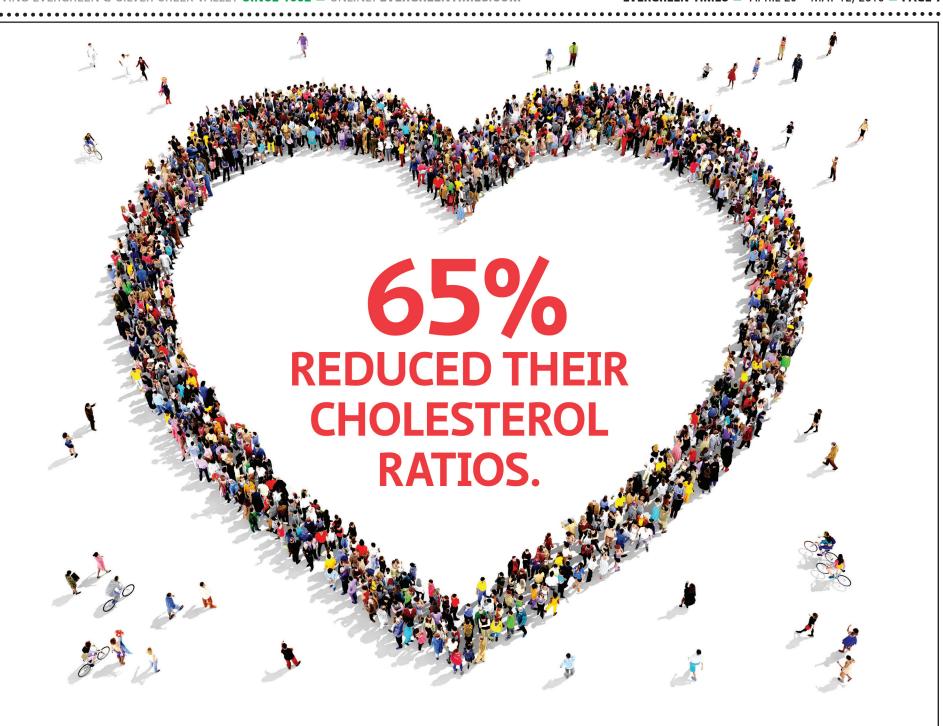


here in the morning, obviously, and then tough to get back as well. Anything we do as far as mass transportation to elevate the traffic and get us in and out faster, of course."

Sylvia Arenas: "I support both of those projects, VTA, Bart, and the extension to the light rail, I think it's a long time coming. It affects our businesses. I don't know if you have



heard of all the business reduction that local businesses have seen on Alum Rock and I would love for us to be prepared enough to make sure that when the light rail comes to Eastridge that our businesses are not See CANDIDATES, page 8



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affected. The other part of that is facilitating transportation for those folks, who don't own cars, or just to facilitate, in order to mitigate the traffic that we talked about earlier."

Denise Belisle: "I support light rail to Evergreen. I support Bart to Evergreen. And I think we need to do a better job to let the public know...let the community know how



important it is to use public transportation. Encourage them. Sometimes it's hard to get people involved in public transportation. A lot of people don't like to take it, and until we get more people involved and more people buying into it I think that that will create the need and the interest and even doing more bike lanes, I think that will help as well, encourage people not to drive their cars, I think that is important."

San Jose streets are deteriorating - potholes, sink holes, etc. How would you propose to address this issue? (Reminder: The answers are unedited so that responses from the candidates would not be altered.)

Jimmy Nguyen: "Potholes. Who's for potholes, nobody? What's the problem? It's money. So I believe there is a sale tax supposed go on the ballot in June. So if you guys vote for it, if we all vote for it, there's a good chance that a chunk of that money will be

used to address the pothole problem."

Sylvia Arenas: "Yes of course I also supported...every time we encounter pot holes or any other issues in our community it really hurt our cars, and then we have to maintain them, right, even more. So it's not just about potholes, and the safety of our streets, although it's very important to us. It also creates an economic distress on us to have to maintain our cars a little bit more often. I've seen on "Nextdoor" we have had a lot of conversations about the fatalities that happen on Silver Creek Valley Road. Some of those potholes, some of the problems on our streets, are not just causing some irritation on our car when we drive, but are also causing fatalities. I think it's time to really invest in making our streets safer."

Denise Belisle: "I think one of the biggest issues that I hear when I'm knocking on doors and talking to people is the conditions of our roads. And I think a lot of the concerns are that they're doing quick fixes on the roads. They're just barley fixing them, and they're just doing kind of a half job on repairing them. And so what's happening is that people are going over the roads, and they are continuing to get damaged, and they're only are getting worse and worse. As opposed to we need to put the money in there. We need to do this tax. It's going to pass. It's going to pass, and we certainly hope that that tax will be used for road repair, but serious road repair, not just fixing, you know trying to put a Band-Aid on a problem that needs a much bigger, bigger Band-Aid."

Joshua Barousse: "Again the harsh See CANDIDATES, page 10

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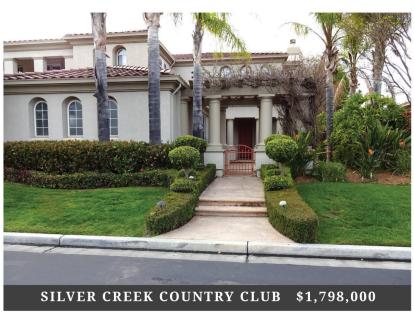
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realities that we have more concentrated wealth here in San Jose, but a recent report yields that we actually have the third worst roads in the Nation. So, we have million dollar deferred maintenance backed up to take care of and the tax section in November ballot and the VTA tax on the November ballot and a good portion of that funding will go to fixing and maintaining our roads and highway system. So I support the measure also believe that the compromise business tax will also bring more money in to help us resurface our roads and again it's a major issue of mine. I have been hearing from so many voters in the district they all concur that there is not an equitable distribution of city resources. They felt there are other communities throughout the city, their infrastructure needs are getting met in more timely manner, even within the district, there some communities and while other communities their streets and infrastructure needs are getting met. So make sure there is an equitable distribution of resources all throughout the district.'

Pat Waite: "This is a question of resource allocation and San Jose certainly has a lot of resources. It's a three billion dollar service company. Three billion dollars, that's a lot of money. Every large organization that I have worked in has had waste and inefficiency and worked diligently to squeeze that waste and inefficiency out so that they could use it to fund more important things. In the city's case, those more important things are police, and fire, and pothole filling, and road fix, those kinds of things. Over the last three years, there have been several studies done and presented to the city that have identified hundreds of millions of dollars in savings in the general fund, that's only one billion of that three 3 billion dollars. Some of them have been adopted and some have not. If you trust me to represent you, I will work hard to get more of those implemented so that we can take those monies and use them to provide for public safety and the better roads that we all deserve."

Do you support a 1/4 of one percent City sales Tax for General Purposes, or would you vote to support using these funds for a specific purpose? (Reminder: answers are unedited)

Denise Belisle: "I don't support a general sales tax. I realize that we are in a dire situation where we need more money and tax was... I'm sorry..." (Belisle stopped talking, and started over). "I don't support a general sales tax. What I wish would have happened in which we would have been a specific sales tax for specific things, one of them being roads, one of them being police. In 15 years, that tax is going to be a 15 year tax and in 15 years we will not know who our council people are and we will not know how smart they will spend the money, if they will spend their money smart. So to do a tax like that, that's that long without a specific purpose, I am against. I would prefer a specific tax.'

Pat Waite: "So, the current council claims that they will use the money for public safety and roads. I kind of trust this council, but like Ms. Belisle said, I am not sure about 15 years down the road; we have seen councils get us in trouble. The funding for public safety, it exists in the general budget. You heard Josh mention earlier, that there are 180 unfilled police positions in the police department. They put those in the budget, and spending is there, and the budget is balanced, because it

has to be balanced by law. You don't really need a sales tax to increase the number of police on the force. The ugly truth is they're really struggling to increase the number of police on the force, because they are not able to recruit in; part of it is morale, part of it's a national malaise where people don't want to be police officers, and we need to address that. My earlier answer to cover where I thought the money would come from; you can get in and get much more efficient the way we deliver services."

Sylvia Arenas: "I want to see more community service levels raised for our neighborhoods, for our districts. That means that youth can have opportunity to be engaged in positive experiences. The city has two programs, "San Jose Works" and "San Jose Learns." San Jose Learns means...is a program that's focused on literacy and math. There's a lot of changes happening with Common Core curriculum and it's a very different way of teaching and learning. So I think it's a really valuable service to offer. The other one is work experience, that's going to help our youth be prepared to join the global economy that we are starting to see. So I do support the tax. We've been working with what we have, but it really isn't enough. We want to make sure we invest in our future, and that the future of our children, so that they have can be able to thrive and have a comprehensive opportunity."

Jimmy Nguyen: "I support the sales tax because we are in a dire situation as everyone up here has acknowledged. Normally, I prefer us to squeeze more efficiency from money by eliminating waste. However because of the current problems, burglaries, traffic enforcement, potholes, that everyone hates, it's probably in our best interest to pass this now, get this infusion of cash, and then get everything we need. If in nine to ten years, and if we have a city council is irresponsible with our money, then we have the power to get them out of office."

Joshua Barousse: "The current city council had an opportunity to either approve a general use sales tax or just a specific sales tax and what they compromised on was a general use sales tax. So I spoke with my friend from the police officer's association yesterday, he mentioned once we've backfilled the one hundred and eighty vacant positions and they fill all eleven hundred positons in the general fund, that just gets them back to normal levels. Really what they need in order to restore adequate patrols for a city of this size they need twelve hundred and fifty officers. That way they can reactivate the burglary unit, they can reactivate the traffic enforcement unit and they will be able to provide police services, as well as fixing all the potholes and damaged streets. So I support the current sales tax in its current form and trust they will use it for policing, and fixing and maintaining our roads, and other core servic-

Would you support a city ordinance directing the Police Chief to issue concealed carry permits to the public based upon the simple justification for self-defense? (Reminder: answers are unedited.) LRQ

Sylvia Arenas: "No."

Jimmy Nguyen: "My understanding is that the chief law enforcement officer, either the sheriff or police chief of the city, has the power to grant concealed carried weapon permits anyway. So, I am confused by this question."

Denise Belisle: "No"

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Times Community

Matsumoto to be recognized as California Gold Ribbon School

om Matsumoto Elementary School has successfully completed the California Gold Ribbon Schools Program application process and is being recognized as a California Gold Ribbon Schools for 2016.

"The award reflects the school's success in creating a positive learning atmosphere for Matsumoto students," said Tom Torlakson, California State Superintendent of Public Instruction. "Such success is a direct result of the school's dedicated, creative, and talented staff, and a supportive school community.

The California School Recognition Program

Awards Ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 5. The event is sponsored in part by California Casualty. This year, the 2016 Gold Ribbon Elementary Schools will be honored along with the Exemplary Program recipients, Title I Academic Achieving Schools, 2016 Green Ribbon Schools, 2016 Civic Learning Award Schools, and the National Blue Ribbon Honorees from 2015.

For more information, please contact the Awards Team by e-mail at awards@cde.ca.gov with your topic in the subject line or by phone at 916.319.0842.



Cougars beat the Raiders 9-6

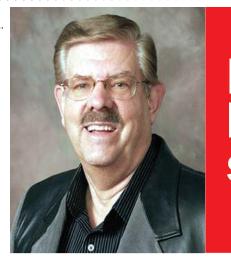
The Evergreen Valley High School Cougars hockey team beat the Silver Creek High School Raiders by a score of 9-6 on April 15.

Both teams played competitive and aggressively each making 23 shots to the goal. Cougars' player Zachary Ozubko made four goals and two assists. The Cougars currently have a record of 5 wins and 1 loss on the season. The high school hockey games are played at the Sportplex in San Jose.



Meeting and greeting

Dozens of District 8 residents attended a "meet and greet" at Nothing Bundt Cakes on Sunday, April 17 for San Jose City Council Candidate **Josh Barousse** to learn more about his priorities for San Jose. "This meet and greet gave residents the opportunity to hear firsthand my vision for the district and to get their questions answered, while highlighting a local Evergreen business," said Barousse. "Many thanks to Nothing Bundt Cakes for opening their doors."



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Times Feature

Candidates

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Joshua Barousse: "I'm also going to say no because I think for anyone to carry must have adequate background checks and be must be registered ahead of time."

Pat Waite: "In theory, they have to go through training to legally own a hand gun, but I would say no, because the chief deserves some discretion in determining the character of the individual requesting the permit."

Some of you may have strong business ties, or ties to unions and labor, or to the educational or other special interest institutions - how would you reassure the community that you can represent a balanced view and support both sociallycritical as well as fiscally-responsible policies and be an effective leader for District 8? (Reminder: answers are unedited.)

Sylvia Arenas: "Ok, look, I'm really proud to say that I have remained an independent, so I'm not tied to any special interests. I am not backed by labor or Chamber. I do enjoy a relationship with our Local 270, because my husband is part of that. And I did that intentionally, because I wanted to make sure I listen to the residents, because the residents really drive where I need to go. I think we always need to be smart about creating partnerships in order to provide services that are efficient and save money. Then I managed to be pretty independent so far."

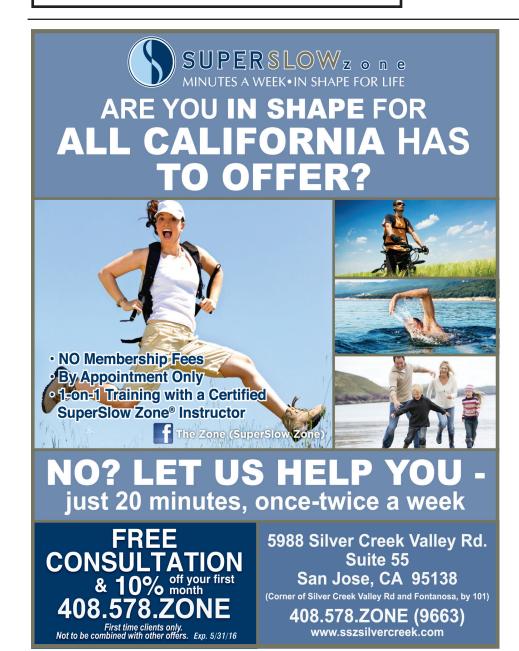
Denise Belisle: "I am a small business owner. I am a very involved community person. I feel I that I can look at things from various perspectives. I'm very open minded. I'm very approachable. And, I want to do the right thing for the city, and for our district. And, whatever it's going to take, I think I am the right person to look at things from that perspective."

Joshua Barousse: "We'll, my former boss, state senator Jerry Hill, used to say 'politics is done with compromise.' I did get the endorsement from the South Bay

Labor Council, however I promise to be an independent thinker. I have a lot of friends on the, you know, from the previous associations, from the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce. I promise I'll always have an open door policy. I'll have stake holders in various different groups of communities, and make sure I have their input as much as possible. It's great to have balance input, it's great to have input, as much community input as we can, from various stake holders throughout the city; and that what I would practice if elected to the San Jose City Council."

Pat Waite: "I sometimes refer to my occupation as gadfly about time, because I get around and talk to a lot of people, and I'm willing to talk to anyone. I am open minded, I'm open to new ideas, because none of us is as smart as all of us. I think it is important that everyone gets an opportunity to provide input in the decision making process. The most important special interest is you. And that's what I tend to represent, is you. I want your views to be a priority. Like I said, it is not about me and my ideas, it is about you and what you think that will make this a better community. I oddly enough, worked with labor during the pension reform, because they asked my views on how to make things better; things that would make San Jose millions of dollars, and the council was not listening to them. I sat down and I listened to them and I tried to convince the council that they were worth continuing discussions, and they said no, and that was very unfortunate."

Jimmy Nguyen: "Question, the way I look it is, how do we remain honest to the voters. My colleagues and I assume are well motivated and we have good intentions and we just have to rely on that we are doing our job. If one of us wins and in four years we are up for reelection, you can look at our voting record, and our 460's, and then determine did we vote according to our conscious and do the right thing for our community? If not, then you are free to vote us out."









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Times **Feature**

Branch Library volunteers

By Edith Sutterlin

Special to the Times

As I write, we have just finished celebrating Volunteer Appreciation Week.

Did you know that Evergreen currently has 121 volunteers who have been active in the past six months, each bringing their own talents, skills, and time to make our local public library a place where you can find an abundance of materials and programming in a friendly, safe, and supportive place?

I want to highlight especially our appreciation of those rare, devoted individuals who have given over 100 hours of their own time. So, here is a "Shout Out" of thanks to Matthew Giordono, Sunita Gupta, Andy Lam, Melissa Madamba, and Clifford Sciba. Each year, Evergreen Branch recognizes one volunteer who has gone "Above and Beyond" in service.



We are fortunate to have so many shining stars from whom to choose. Evergreen's 2016 Volunteer of the Year, Diana Yost, facilitates our ESL Club on Tuesday afternoons. Diana provides a welcoming and encouraging environment where members of the community can come to practice and improve their English skills and engage in activities and crafts that help them understand American customs and culture. Our newest/youngest volunteers are ten girls in Junior Girl Scout Troop 62605. They will be presenting an original skit, The Bullies, on Thursday, May 26, 2016, at 5:30 pm. in our Community Room.

If you are thinking of volunteering for or partnering with the library, talk to a librarian or apply by signing up online at https://www.sjpl.org/volunteer. You may write in your interests and share what you'd like to offer and/or to learn in service to San José Public Library, or wait until Orientation to find out about a wide range of opportunities, including ones available beyond our walls, such as Partners in Reading. We do have three PAR volunteers who regularly use our study rooms to tutor students, but others choose to meet in a local coffee shop or elsewhere. Training for new PAR tutors will take place May 18 and May 21 at the King library. More information is available at https://www.sjpl.org/par.

You will often find volunteers teaching classes or helping with library craft activities. Our next program for stories and crafts is a Cinco de Mayo story on Thursday, May 5, 2016, at 5:30 pm. "Quiero Ayudar! Let Me Help" is about a parrot looking for ways to help a family during their holiday celebration. We'll have a related craft for ages 3 and up. On Thursday, May 12, 2016, at 11:30 am, our partner, Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose, will return with a storytime and craft. You can also look forward to a Lei Day craft on Thursday, May 19, 2016, at 5:30 pm.

Additional Events

You can view Evergreen Branch Library's complete event listings and information on activities at other library locations at events.sjpl.org. Updates on library events are also available via our RSS feeds (sjpl.org/updates) and our Facebook page (facebook.com/sanjoselibrary).

Parking

When the library parking lot is full, customers may find additional parking available at Grace Church on the other side of Aborn Road. We thank Grace Church for this generous offer that allows the library to better serve the Evergreen community.

Edith Sutterlin is a librarian at the Evergreen Branch Library, (408) 808-3060. Evergreen Library is located at 2635 Aborn Road, between Capitol Expressway and White Road. Evergreen Branch Library is part of the San José Public Library System. For more information, visit the library website, sjpl.org.

Off The Shelf: Evergreen | 'Sacramento 'Bus Trip' advocates public education

of the Sacramento Bus Trip which advocates public education.

Since it first began, the :Sacramento Bus Trip" has increased from a handful of concerned residents advocating for public education funding to 165 residents in 2015 who were navigating through the new local control funding formula.

Education advocates, parents, students, community and neighborhood leaders throughout Santa Clara County have joined

They have met directly with dozens of state officials, senators, and assembly members to ask questions and voice their concerns about public education.

Bus trip participants also learn about legislative proposals as well as the state's recommended budget before it is signed into law. Participants will have an opportunity this year to voice their concerns about other issues such as affordable housing, homelessness, immigration, environmental steward-

This year's Sacramento Bus Trip will be on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, and is cosponsored by the Silicon Valley Education Foundation. The buses will leave at 6:30 a.m. from the VTA Transit Center at Eastridge Mall in San Jose and return to the same location at about 5 p.m.

Visit our Sacramento Bus Trip page to register or contact Mario Lopez at 408 299-5030 or email Mario.Lopez@bos.sccgov.org.

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Times Features

Van Le

Van Le: Splashing forward for progress and service

By Jim Barker

Special to the Times

The life of Van Le is a radiant portrait of self-reliance, unswerving determination, and a deep passion for community service.

Growing up in a close and nurturing family as a teenager in Saigon Vietnam with the idealism and dreams of a typical teenage young lady, Van's world literally became swept away in April, 1975 as South Vietnam fell under the crush of advancing communist forces.

With their lives imperiled by the bombing of their city, the family had to flee in the final moments as boat people. A brother serving in the Army remained to resist an overpowering enemy with their highly lethal armaments. The cost of his defense effort was to be several years in the re-education camp (prison) system.

The sizable escape vessel became a target by the communist artillery, and was struck by shells, causing some casualties among the terrified refugees. By great fortune, the vessel stayed seaworthy and limped to the Philippines where it was repaired. From that point it proceeded to Guam, where everyone was transferred to Wake Island and later flown to one of the main resettlement centers at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas. From this basic transit site, Van's seven member family became sponsored by gracious humanitarian members of a Lutheran church in Sunnyvale, California.

Van was enrolled at Homestead High

School and graduated as a Senior. Still with only nascent language skills, she went on to De Anza, but after exhaustive efforts to upgrade her English, she had to drop out.

Van went to work finding two jobs in order to help support her family and improve her language skills. She began night school and

persisted over a twenty year period in the context of her employment life to graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Business. During this time she also devoted herself to taking care of her paralyzed grandmother, who died in 1994.

Van finally found her first job at City of San Jose as an Accounting Clerk, then being promoted to Engineering Technician, and ultimately ending with Redevelopment Agency in the capacity of Development Officer for public relations during the light rail construction that impacted the

businesses in downtown San Jose. After eight years the project was completed, and this became by retrospect an opportunity and blessing to consider a new career direction.

She decided to operate her own business and found the opportunity with Allstate Insurance in 1997. Later, Van completed rigorous requirements to work for State Farm after taking some time for medical leave following a serious skiing accident. She then

dedicated her full energies to work, and achieved the distinction of being the top 100 Sales Agent in the USA for both companies and successfully operated until now. It was a challenging journey for her not knowing how hard and how much sacrifice she devoted to build up her business but she did it and loved

her work.

In 2004, at the age of 44, Van's courage was to be tested on the ocean once again. To bring visibility and support to the Asian Women's Program for battered women, Van was challenged to swim from Alcatraz to the San Francisco Marina. With scant swimming practice at the local YMCA and no ocean experience, she braved the frigid temperatures and shifting tides of the Bay to stroke to a successful finish!

By 2010, with notable experience as a community volunteer; Van was elected to the

East Side School District board. She was reelected in 2014, currently serving as a Board member, and is now a candidate for Assembly District 27.

Rhetorically, she states; "Why am I running for office?" "I want to give back because the United States embraced my family; I want to serve the community. Life has been a challenging journey for me."

Van has served as Chair of the Vietnamese

Forum, helped organize fundraisers for the Vietnamese Community Center, and has collaborated with other organizations to support community events. Focal issues for Van in her candidacy for State Assembly are Education Reform and Jobs. This includes more education choices, increased pay for good teachers; holding students, teachers, parents and administrators more accountable. She will fight to simplify the tax code and eliminate conflicting regulations that are chasing highpaying jobs to other states, and work to end barriers to innovative investment.

Van is pushing hard for infrastructure investments to insure repair of California's roads, and to protect the state's water resources. She wants to restore redevelopment to spur more affordable housing. To better safeguard neighborhoods, she is fighting to repeal AB 109, which has had the unintended consequence of increasing neighborhood crime.

One accomplishment with deep personal sentiment is the annual support event and dinner for students who have remained in school despite no stable housing base or resources.

Van reflects that many events in her life seem to be borne by the grace of a "higher power." She confesses: "I do not fit the conventional definition of a politician."

Van Le's platform and commitment is best encapsulated in her declaration: "We do not need more career politicians—they haven't solved many problems here; or in Washington DC. We need representatives with a servant's attitude, who will listen to the voters, not the special interests."



Times Features

Local 'Angels' surprise seniors with Mother's Day makeovers

Studies reveal new hairdo and fun on the town best Mother's Day gift

It's the time of year to honor Mom for all her love, patience and guidance. Despite the celebrations, Mother's Day week can be difficult for elderly moms who are widowed and live alone, far away from children and grandchildren.

That's why local caregivers are whipping out the hairspray and rolling out the red carpet surprising senior moms with a "Mother's Day Makeover" and a day on the town.

A Harvard study found a new hairdo can improve health, lowering

blood pressure. Another study shows seniors engaging in social activities are less likely to develop dementia. We invite you to follow along as we deliver "Mother's Day Makeovers."

"We're delivering Mother's Day Makeover surprises because the studies show seniors who feel good about their appearance and are socially active are physically and mentally healthier than seniors who are more isolated," says Larry Meigs, CEO of Visiting Angels. "If you can't be with Mom or Grandma to shower them with love in person,



our caregivers can step in to make this a fun, warm and memorable Mother's Day week."

The studies show: A new hairdo lowers blood pressure. Plus, when asked by strangers to tell the age of the women, those with the new hairstyles appeared younger, even though their new hairdo was covered. (The conclusion: women felt younger, so they looked younger.)

Social activities like visiting friends, eating out or playing bingo may help prevent or delay cognitive decline in old age.

Grandma to shower them with love in person, delay cognitive decline in old age. News station KLIV changing format; Mercury deletes San Jose in masthead

LIV publicly announced last week that it would change its format from news to country music, San Jose has been removed from the masthead of the San Jose Mercury News, and after 30 newsroom employees were let go at KGO, Ronn Owens will not be leaving after all.

KLIV

Empire Broadcasting majority owner, Robert Kieve, 94, recorded a "sobering" announcement played on his radio station. He announced that KLIV would change its format in few weeks to country music of the 80's and 90's.

"The high expenses of running a news station and declining ad revenues have become too great," said Kieve. "Indeed, in the 30 years that KLIV has been a local news station, it has never made a profit; it has lost money every year. 2015 was the worst year in our history."

KLIV was among the last independent, allnews radio stations in Northern California. The radio station focused on Silicon Valley news, not San Francisco, or East Bay. When you tuned in you heard traffic and weather reports they were local, exclusively.

Carl Guardino, CEO of the Silicon Leadership Group said he was saddened by the upcoming change in format. "Sadly, that means a transition in the next couple of months away from news, he said. "Truly a shame, as it is a great station with a wonderful team that has long been a credible, objective, thorough source of local news. In terms of "The CEO Show," with I have hosted for 7-plus years, will continue under the new format."

KGO Radio

Another news room shakeup was like a magnitude 8.0 at KGO. The station's parent company, Cumulus Media, announced it was trimming about 30 newsroom employees and were about to move morning talk show host Ronn Owens to sister station KSFO.

Listeners flooded the station with calls and emails in support of Owens who has been with KGO for the past 40 years. Management abruptly reversed its decision, so Owens stays.

Owens said it's been like a roller-coaster ride, "but one with a good finish."

San Jose Mercury News

San Jose's flagship daily newspaper, *San Jose Mercury News*, has merged with the peninsula's *San Mateo Times* and has dropped "San Jose" from the newspaper's masthead. The San Jose Mercury News began publishing in 1983, when the *San Jose News* and the *Mercury* newspapers were combined.

New York-based publishing corporation Digital First Media that that owns the newspaper's parent company Bay Area News Group, said the change was a "means to survival." About 20 percent of newsroom staff have been let go.







April 27, 2016

Dear Evergreen Valley Community:

As the new Chancellor of the San José-Evergreen Community College District, I am committed to ensuring that our colleges meet the needs of our diverse students and community through comprehensive course offerings that prepare students to transfer to a four year university, help students advance their careers with a degree or certificate and build student foundational skills. Faculty and staff at our colleges are partnering with local high school districts in our region to strengthen high school-to-college pathways. We are also working with regional employers to increase internship programs to enhance student learning and provide essential job training for our students, veterans and local residents.

As so many local students are relying on our colleges for quality, affordable education, we seek to be a partner in their pursuit of their educational goals. Both colleges are working diligently to offer programs and course offerings to inspire student access, equity and success. We have removed barriers and replaced them with support, mentorship, and access to additional resources.

Our colleges provide an outstanding educational experience to prepare students for transfer to UC and State university systems. At San Jose City College, under the leadership of President Byron Clift Breland, the college was able to secure a federal grant totaling \$3.5 million to enter into an innovative partnership with the University of California at Santa Cruz. The partnership's primary purpose will be to increase student retention and promote excellence in research, while establishing a pathway that will increase the number of students that transfer from San Jose City College to the University of California system.

San Jose City College is currently one of the 150 candidates, from a nationwide pool of over 1,000 candidates, for the 2017 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, one of the nation's highest achievements for a community college.

At Evergreen Valley College, under the leadership of President Henry Yong, the college recently unveiled a state-of-the-art, automotive technology training facility. At 25,000 square feet, 20 laboratory spaces, and specialty labs, I believe this is the most advanced training facility in the region. With the automotive industry seeking expertise from Silicon Valley for the ever-evolving electric car industry, our students are launched from our classrooms directly to employment at companies such as Honda, Chrysler and Tesla.

Evergreen Valley College (EVC) is also an important partner to San Jose State University. Of 113 California community colleges, EVC has the highest student transfer rate to San Jose State.

In the city of Milpitas, we entered into a partnership with the Milpitas Unified School District by establishing a San Jose-Evergreen Community College District Extension program. At 12,800 square feet, including four classrooms, two lecture rooms, labs, and community collaboration rooms, we have secured a critical presence that will provide high school students with access to college courses, while simultaneously assisting in the development of a local workforce to support the growing employment needs of the region.

While the District has many accomplishments of which to be proud, we continue to enhance the classroom experience for our students. One such example is the proposed development project at Evergreen Valley College. Many people don't know that the cost to attend California's public universities has risen six times that of attending one of our colleges. Proper use of our surplus land will allow us the opportunity to expand quality, affordable programs to increase student success.

I welcome the robust community discussions and feedback that has already occurred on these issues, and I look forward to continuing the conversation with all stakeholders to collectively move our district forward. As always, we appreciate the vision and support of the community on behalf of students.

Thank you for your support of our students over the many generations. We all benefit from collaboration and a willingness to ensure equitable student success.

Sincerely,

Dr. Debbie Budd, Chancellor

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Symphony Silicon Valley presents Prokofiev & Sinfonietta May 7, 8

By Sean Eastwood

Times Staff Writer

ymphony Silicon Valley presents a program full of lively rhythms, powerful orchestrations and high energy all around, by two Czechs and a Russian who had found highly original ways of bringing old traditions to new life.

The vivid neo-Baroque language of Martin? will be complemented by the dazzling virtuosity of Prokofiev. And the blazing brass sounds of Janá?ek's Sinfonietta are sure to bring the house down on Saturday May 7 at 8 pm. and an encore performance on Sunday, May 8 at 2:30 p.m.

Gregory Vajda, conductor

Hailed as a "young titan" by the Montreal Gazette, Gregory Vajda has fast become one of the most sought-after conductors on the international scene. After completing his tenure



7 Places mosquitoes might be hiding in your yard

as assistant conductor of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra in 2005, Vajda took over as resident conductor of the Oregon Symphony Orchestra at the start of the 2005-06 Season. Additionally, in 2009 he was appointed Artistic and Music Director of Music in the Mountains, CA - the only second conductor to hold that position in the festival's 28-year history.

Natasha Paremski, pianist

With her consistently striking and dynamic performances, pianist Natasha Paremski reveals astounding virtuosity and voracious interpretive abilities. Born in Moscow. Natasha moved to the



America at the age of eight and became a US citizen shortly thereafter. Raised in Fremont California, she appeared with Symphony Silicon Valley in 2004 when she was 17 years old to play Rubenstein's Piano Concerto #4 in D minor and again in 2005 to play Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto #2 in C minor. Natasha was awarded several very prestigious artist prizes at a very young age, including the Gilmore Young Artists prize in 2006 at the age of 18, the Prix Montblanc in

2007, and the Orpheum Stiftung Prize in Switzerland.

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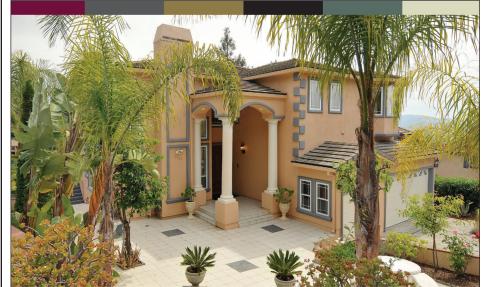
The Silicon Symphony Program:

Martin: Overture for orchestra, H. 345 Sergei Prokofiev: Piano Concerto No. 3 in

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pring has sprung, which means that

mosquito season is here. These tiny

insects could be living, flying and breed-

ing right in your yard, and you might not even Mosquitoes aren't just a nuisance; they are

also a health threat. Some species common in the United States can carry and spread Zika virus, Chikungunya virus, West Nile virus and canine heart worm. The first sign of mosquito activity is usually buzzing from female mosquitoes and their bites.

Where Mosquitoes Breed

Female mosquitoes can lay as many as 100 eggs at a time. They can lay eggs in just a few inches of standing water, making pinpointing breeding sites a challenge. To help homeowners, Orkin Entomologist Ron Harrison, Ph.D., reveals seven places mosquitoes like the most and offers advice on how to help keep them out of your yard.

Mosquitoes might not be your best friend, but they love you!

Gutters. If enough debris is left to collect over time, dirty gutters can clog up and create pockets of water perfect for mosquito breeding. Cleaning gutters regularly to make sure water is flowing smoothly can help keep mosquitoes from breeding so close to your home.

Toys. They are an often overlooked source of standing water, but toys can collect pockets of water and just a few inches is enough for a mosquito to raise a family.

Flower pots. Rainwater can collect in saucers under flower pots. If left to sit for days, the water becomes an excellent breeding spot for mosquitoes.

Bird baths. Even though birds eat a variety of insects, standing water in bird baths left unchecked for days at a time can become an oasis for female mosquitoes looking for a place to lay eggs. Inspect and change the water weekly to avoid an infestation.

Rain barrels. If water is used within a few days, it will likely not be enough time to create a mosquito problem, but if water is left standing for multiple days, be prepared to find a hotbed of hungry pests.

Plants. Some plants can hold water in their "mouths" and offer mosquitoes enough standing water to lay their eggs. Other shrubbery can serve as a hide-out for grown mosquitoes. In addition to blood, mosquitoes feed on nectar from flowers, so they often hide in shrubbery during the day. Thinning dense shrubbery to increase air flow can help reduce the number of adult mosquitoes in your yard.

Tree cavities. Each year, cavities in tree stumps and trunks are filled with water by rainfall or melting ice and snow, and mosquitoes may choose these holes for breeding. While it can be difficult to remove the standing water, a licensed professional can help identify and treat these areas.

Low points in the yard. Any areas lower

than the rest of your yard may collect and hold standing water. Make note of these areas when patrolling and be sure to inspect and drain them if necessarv.

Take Back Your Yard

It's important to do a weekly inspection of your entire yard to locate and eliminate any standing water. It's also a good idea to encourage your neighbors to do the same so that mosquitoes aren't traveling from their yard to yours.

If you've done everything you can to help prevent mosquitoes and are still having problems, you may need a licensed professional. For more details, visit Orkin.com.

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Library

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thousands of brand new books, CD's, and DVD's, not to mention that it is equipped with the most advanced technology. The library has a sophisticated tech center with 29 computers, 30 laptops, IPads and Microsoft Surfaces for patrons to use. The technology used in this library is the latest among all the other libraries in San Jose. The tech center can also be used by instructors to teach classes.

The Village Square Branch Library is truly a work of art, but ultimately, even with all of its state-of-the-art features, the most inspiring element of this library is its potential to bring our community closer together. Evergreen residents are very lucky to live in a community with so much diversity, and the Village Square Library will surely draw people of all ages, ethnicities, and religions to learn and grow together. Libraries promote education, literacy, and a true community experience, and ultimately, anyone who chooses to become a part of the library's community, will definitely be benefitted.

Opening remarks

The grand opening ceremony began with music performed by the Chaboya Middle School Band and opening remarks from Jill Bourne, San Jose City Librarian. "This library is going to be the hub of activity for many neighborhoods, the center for education, engagement, and democracy," said Bourne.

Following the pledge of allegiance, led by Boy Scout Troop 251, Mayor Liccardo spoke to the crowd.

Liccardo

"Wow, this is beautiful," said Mayor Liccardo. "We have all heard the expression it takes a village to raise a child, in this case it certainly takes a village to raise a library, he said. "There are so many people here that I need to thank. Former Mayor Tom McEnery often reminded me that when we get close to an election with a bond or a big measure, that the residents of San Jose always choose the future. That was true in the year 2000, when citizens overwhelmingly passed a bond meas-



In the teen room, (I to r) **Hiba Shaikh, Anoushka Mohindra**, and **Samruddhi Tawade** get ready to be the first to check out their books at the grand opening of the new Village Square Library. *Photo by Bill Bellou*

ure that allowed the City to build 24 libraries, and this one is the most beautiful. I want to commend Vice Mayor Rose Herrera for the investment of time and support to get this library built."

Herrera

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera shared her thoughts about the significance of the opening of the new library. "So many people used to ask me, is there really going to be a new library built, well here it is," said Herrera. "I want to thank the group of people who came to the first community meetings to decide where the library should be built. Isn't this the most beautiful library you have ever seen?" She then proceeded to tell the crowd that more money was raised for the new Village Square Library than any other library in San Jose. Herrera concluded her remarks saying: "Google can bring you back one hundred thousand answers, but only a librarian can get you the right one."

Following Herrera, Dave Cortese, President of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors; California State Senator, Jim Beall; City Manager, Norberto Duenas; Dave Sykes, San Jose Assistant Manager; Chris Roth, Chair, Library and Early Education Committee; and Pat Wolfe, President of the San Jose Library Foundation, shared their perspectives on the new library.

Cortese

"I think you have set a new record for a library opening," said Cortese. "I have seen a few of these, but you have outdone them all today. Congratulations to the San Jose City Council, Mayor Liccardo and Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, and all of the people who have helped get this library across the finish line. The county has a library system, but San Jose's library system is the gold standard throughout the nation. This is a joyful moment for me in attending this event; it's especially meaningful for me, I am a local homeowner and I grew up just 500 yards from the new library." Cortese presented the library a plaque of commendation from the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors that was graciously accepted by Bourne.

Beall

California State Senator, Jim Beall, said he was impressed with the teamwork that brought the project to a successful conclusion. "We need libraries to help kids keep pace with their education, literacy really matters," he said. "I want to quote from President Harry Truman. Truman said: 'Not all readers are leaders, but all leaders are readers.' So we need to use this great building and the knowl-

edge that it will provide the opportunity it provides for all that use it. I want you to know that I will continue to support public libraries, and education. It is the top priority at the State Capitol."

Duenas

The City Manager, Norberto Duenas, said there was not one claim from a single contractor for all 20 projects. "I want to thank Zovich and Sons Construction who are here today," said Duenas. "There are so many individuals that were involved in the project, all the contractors, five city managers, 25 city councilmembers, and three mayors. I am so proud of the partnership between the library and the public works department."

Wolfe

Pat Wolfe, President of the San Jose Library Foundation, said "This is the library I have been waiting for since 2001. I want to thank the citizens of San Jose for having the wisdom to vote for the library improvement project, we couldn't be here today without them. We also couldn't be here today without Rose Herrera who worked with the community that reflects who you are and what you want in a library. We need our libraries, they lead to our futures. This is your library, treat this library with love and care and it will treat you the same way. Welcome to your library!"

Following Wolf's remarks, the ribbon cutting ceremony began with hundreds of residents counting down, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...and suddenly the doors opened with great anticipation and excitement. Residents entering the library were very courteous considering it took several minutes to walk just a few yards due to the throng of people amazed at the beauty of the most advanced library in the country.

Guinness World Record

Shortly after the grand opening of the library, Vice Mayor Herrera challenged the community to join her in attempting to set the Guinness World record for the most languages read aloud from the same children's book to mark the grand opening of the new library.

More than 60 families volunteered to read aloud in their native language from the same book, continuously, setting a new Guinness World Record. "Read for the Record" honored the culturally diverse and multi-lingual heritage of the community, while celebrating the importance of reading to children. The library now waits for the official confirmation of the event from Guinness, recorded by CreaTV San Jose.

Entertainment

In addition to the Chaboya Band perform-





Mayor Sam Liccardo and Assemblymember Jim Beall. Photo by Raymond Rodriguez

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ance, also appearing were the Vinh Son Liem Lion Dance troupe, the Kaisahan of San Jose Dance group, Carolyn Clark Elementary student dancers, Groupo Folklorioco Volotly, the Northern California Line Dancing Association, and Wings of 100 Viets

Library volunteers offered a variety of arts and crafts and other fun activities for children attending the event, while parents enjoyed cake and refreshments in the library large community room, which includes a projector and a speaker system and auditorium like seating for 120 people. The room extends into a beautiful patio for additional space. The patio also has unique artwork produced by Susan Dannenfelser and Kirk Beck who represent Mirassou vineyards, the previous owners of the land.

Donations

Even with all of these state-of-the-art features, the most commendable fact is that the organizers managed to keep the cost just under their targeted budget.

The library is still open for more donations which will be used to help the library bring in new books and help maintain the facility.

Evergreen residents may make a donation of any kind. A special plaque will be installed naming those who wish to make a donation at \$100 and above. Rooms within the library can also be named by residents for

For more information on donating to the new Village Square Branch Library, contact Shari Mullen, Donor Relations Manager at 408.808.2081, or email: shari.mullen@sjplf.org. The Village Square Library is located at 4001 Evergreen Village Square.



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or by appointment. Our Parish Office is open Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Call 408-997-5100 for recorded information or 408-997-5101 to speak with someone in our parish office. Information on Faith Formation for children and adults can be obtained by calling our Catechetical Office at 408-997-5115. Get in the loop with our 3sixty High School Youth Ministry by calling 408-997-5106. Holy Spirit School serves grades Pre-K through 8th, and is located at 1198 Redmond Avenue. You can reach the school office at 408-268-

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procession around church Saturday April 30 8:30 a.m. St. Basil morning Vesperal Divine Liturgy 11p.m. Candlelight

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Evergreen Area Meetings

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San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Board

Normally meets second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Meetings in the District Office, Board 40 S. Market St San Jose, CA 95113.

San Pedro Squares Toastmasters Club Meets every Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Jimmy's Restaurant, 222 W. Capitol Expressway in San Jose. Contact Barbara at 373-2815, or email barbaram-

cchesney @sbcglobal.net for further

information, or check out the website at http://www.sanpedrosquares.freetoasthost.org.

Silver Creek (PTSA) Parent, Teacher, Student Association

Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday in the Silver Creek High School Principal's Conference Room, 3434 Silver Creek Road, For more information, call 347-5830. Silver Creek School Site Council Meetings: Second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in room V-1.

Silver Oak Educational Partnership

The Silver Oak Educational Partnership is now called the Silver Oak Elementary PTO (Parent Teacher Organization). SOEPTO will not be meeting over summer. Meetings will resume in September. New meeting schedule will be posted in August.

SIR Branch 114 at the Villages Sons in Retirement (SIR) Branch 114

meets every first Tuesday of the month in the Villages' Clubhouse Fairway Room. The meeting agenda includes a noon luncheon for all SIR Branch 114 members and a 12:30 p.m. speaker open to all Villagers and friends. For more information, call Lou Figone, SIR 114 BIG SIR at (408) 966-4175.

Tully Ocala Capitol King Neighborhood Association 1st Monday of every other month from

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Location: Boys & Girls Clubs of Silicon Valley - Smythe Clubhouse

West Evergreen Neighborhood Association

This group represents the area bounded approximately by Flanigan Drive, South King Road, Aborn Road, and Alvin Avenue. Meets the third Tuesday at O.B. Whaley Elementary School, 2655 Alvin Ave., 7 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the association at 535-8613





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