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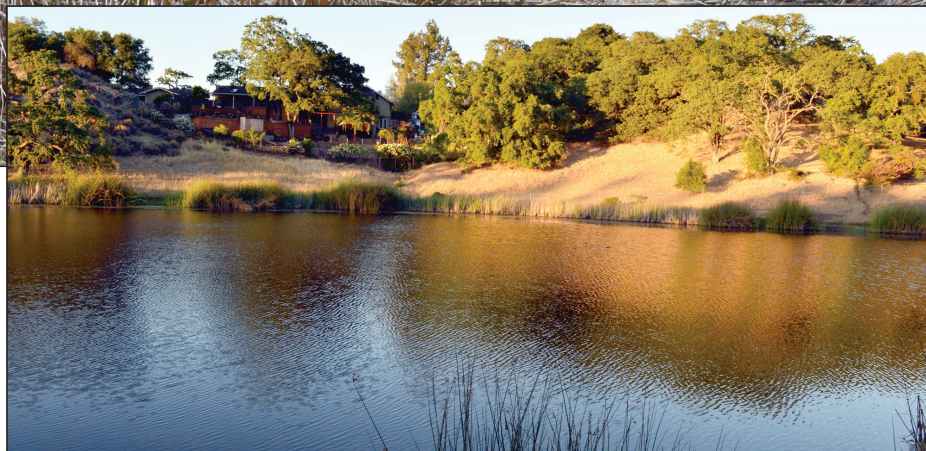
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LOCAL CRIME

Neighborhood crime prevention meeting held at San Jose Chinese School

By Agnes Mak and Shireen Tung
Special to the Times

The increase in break-ins and burglaries were discussed at a community service seminar organized by the San Jose Chinese School located at Leland High School on March 28.

Officer Rey Cedeno represented the Crime Prevention Unit of San Jose Police Department at the meeting and the meeting began with a moment of silence to honor Officer Michael Johnson who recently lost his life in the line of duty.

Officer Cedeno first introduced the relationships between the four important components
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Echo Lake: An echo of its former self

By Lorraine Gabbert
Senior Staff Writer

On behalf of wildlife, Almaden residents have implored Almaden Golf and Country Club to refill Echo Lake, which was drained by the Country Club following a leak. Neighbors have also expressed concern regarding the pending sale and development of the Echo Lake property.

"I was shocked to hear that this beautiful,

little lake had been drained," says resident Valerie Fulton. "Especially in this drought, it is a very important source for nesting and water for the birds and animals around Almaden, and coming out of Quicksilver Park."

Resident David Meidinger is also frustrated with the timing. "There should have been a plan as to when to drain it, and a plan to refill it immediately," he says.

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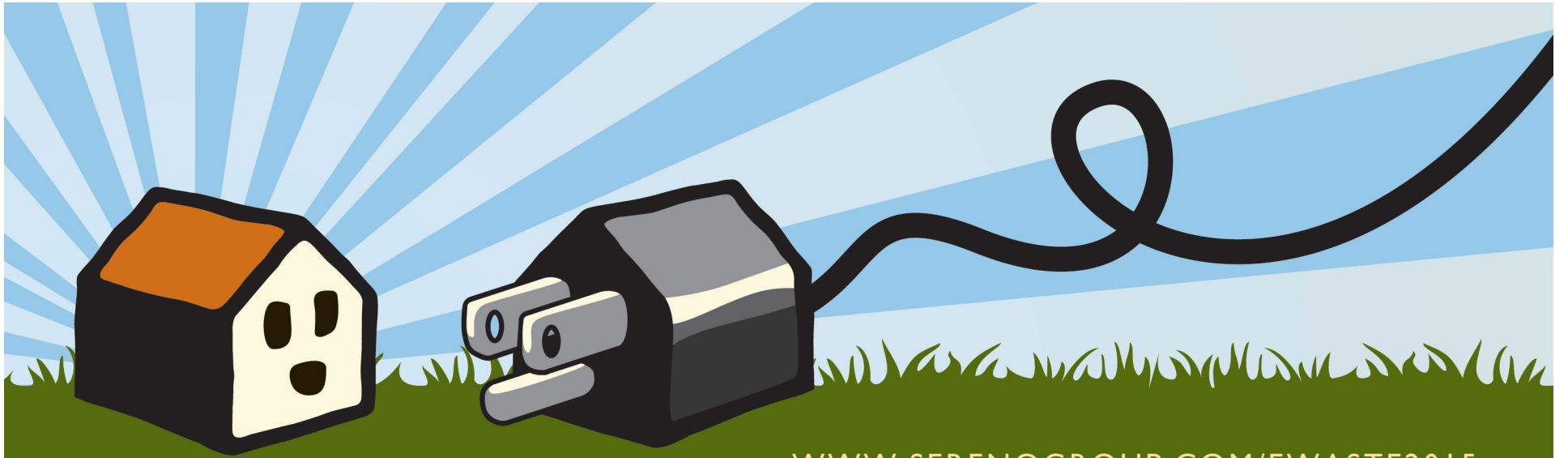
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Girl Scout Troop promotes walk week during Graystone Elementary Spring Celebration

Almaden Girl Scout Cadette Troop 60323 hosted a booth at the Graystone Elementary School Spring Celebration and Walkathon on March 27 to promote walking to school and reducing air pollution.

Students of all ages from Graystone kindergarteners to Bret Harte 8th graders came to the booth and learned about air pollution and Walk Week on April 20-24.

"The troop came up with the idea of promoting a Walk Week to encourage students to walk to school April 20-24 in celebration of Earth Day as part of the Take Action portion of their Girl Scout journey studying the air we breathe," said troop leader Janette Chock. The troop expects to give away raffle tickets for prizes to all Bret Harte walkers every morning of 'Walk Week' with winners to be announced on Friday April 24.

The troop funded the project with proceeds they earned from this year's cookie sales. The Girl Scout Breathe Journey is the troop's first journey as Cadettes and this is their first Cadette Take Action project.

The Troop's booth included prizes to motivate everyone to walk more. More than 400 lollipops from a specially constructed lollipop tree were handed out during the event. The lollipop tree was constructed so that students could get a chance to win raffle tickets and later enter them into a drawing for one of three pedometers. Chock said the troop thought it would be a good idea to offer the pedometers as a prize so winners could record their steps as they walk to school. More than 200 names were entered into the drawing for three pedometers which were won by three Graystone students.

More than 35 students received 'Walk Week' inspired henna tattoos on their arms to help them remember the upcoming "Walk Week." Henna is a plant-derived substance which is painted on the skin, staining it a reddish-orange-to-brown color and generally contains no additives or chemicals.

Students visiting the Troop's booth learned about what they can do to help reduce air pollution in

the community. In particular, they called attention to how cars generate air pollution which can eat away at the ozone layer contributing to global warming, weaken immune systems, and increase the risk of skin cancer and eye disease.

The Troop has been putting up flyers and posters at both Graystone and Bret Harte to publicize 'Walk Week' this week. "So spread the word! From April 20-24, join in with Walk Week," said Chock. "Let's all work together to clean up the air around our community by walking to school and stop air pollution in its tracks."

About Girl Scout Cadette Troop 60323

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 60323 is part of Girl Scout Service Unit 642. There are eight scouts in the troop and they have been in scouting since they started out as Daisies in kindergarten. Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors participate in Girl Scouting in many ways. Under the guidance of a trained adult advisor, girls mix and match activities and



Girl Scout Troop 60323 at Graystone's Spring Celebration: Front row - Liz, Kelly, Purbasha, Megha, Samantha, Allison, Janette. Back row - Vidhya, Sam, Monica. Below: More than 35 students received special henna designs as a reminder for the upcoming Walk Week. Pictured: Girl Scout Cadet Sam applies an arm tattoo to Gianna.



resources to suit their needs while giving back to their communities. They connect with each other and build self-esteem and confidence in their skills as

they work on a range of projects and gain life experiences. For more information contact Troop Leader Janette Chock at walkweek@chock.com.

Mailbox



Condolences offered to family

Editor,

As a Leland High School graduate, I want to express my deepest condolences to the family of Tristan Nguyen, and also to his teammates, classmates, and teachers. Being a graduate of Leland High school (class of 2009), I have seen/experienced tragic events in which a classmate and friend passes away. This situation in particular is rather interesting because it involves the death of a student on campus. As tragic as this news is for the school, and community, there should be a positive mention to the selfless rescue attempts administered by Dan Lloyd, the assistant Track and Field Coach. Mr. Lloyd was always known as a notable faculty member, due to his tenure with the NFL team; the New York Giants. Mr. Lloyd is a passionate Track and Field coach, and a wonderful instructor, as many students who attend Leland over the years will most likely come across Mr. Lloyd at some time or another. With his commitment to athletics, and to his students for over the past 15 years, I am not surprised that he was the one who administered CPR in an attempt to keep Tristan alive. I feel that it is important that the community have recognition to Lloyd, for his heroic actions. Knowing Lloyd on a semi-personal level, (I was a teacher's assistant for Lloyd during my senior year) I can truly say he

is a man, mentor, and a teacher of high stature who should have community recognition on some level. Not to detract from the tragic death of Tristan Nguyen, but after some time passes there should be mention or tribute to Lloyd.

Arian Shahidi

Saving Umunhum problematic

Editor,

Sam Drake of Umunhum Conservancy urges people to support making the former radar support structure a Heritage Site. The group wants the County Heritage Commission to declare the structure as a historic site and to place it on the County's Heritage Resource inventory. They would like to have people come to the Commission meeting to say how much the "Tower" means to the community. Actually, it would be difficult to find anything that the structure means to our

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in the criminal justice system: lawmakers, law enforcement, court, and correction. It is essential for the four to work hand in hand. Police departments operate under the umbrella of law enforcement.

Apart from dealing with crimes that have already occurred, police also work on crime prevention programs. Cedenno explained the importance of having adequate information communicated at a 911 call because it's crucial to protect both the caller and the first responders to the scene.

A homeowner from the audience suggested that "a successful youth program would be very helpful in crime prevention." Officer Cedenno readily agreed with the notion, noting that "as a matter of fact, of the 115 recent arrests for home burglaries, 14 percent of the crimes were committed by youth under 18 years of age. San Jose Police Department currently has programs specifically catered to youth in the area," said Cedenno.

Other effective crime prevention measures focus on how to avoid being an easy target. Besides organizing a neighborhood watch, the three L's are very useful and effective: adequate lighting around the house, quality door and gate locks, and good landscaping. It is important to trim excess foliage to eliminate potential hiding places for unwanted intruders.

A concerned mother who had an incidence in which someone stole a package from her doorstep asked Officer Cedenno "should we open the doors when we see



Officer Cedenno displayed useful information regarding crime statistics and emergency telephone numbers that can be used to report crime at the recent community meeting. *Photo by Agnes Mak*

someone taking parcels from our door steps?" The answer was a firm no. "You should never confront a burglar," said Cedenno. "Your life is more important than anything else," he said. Cedenno said that we should get close enough to see the person but without challenging him directly because that may put our lives in danger. "However, we should answer the door or use other means to let people think that we are at home. Burglars are sneaky and like to pick empty homes that are easy for break-ins," he said

Officer Cedenno displayed useful information regarding crime statistics and emergency telephone numbers that can be used to

report crime. Residents can check <http://www.sjpd.org> for statistics and related information about crime reports in their area. For emergencies, call 911 or 408-277-8911 and for non-emergencies, call 311 or 408-277-8900.

At the conclusion of the meeting, San Jose Chinese School's Assistant Principal, Anthony Ku, presented a certificate of appreciation to Officer Cedenno.

San Jose Chinese School is a weekend heritage school and has been teaching the Chinese language to students pre-K through 12 in the south San Jose area for forty years. For enrollment information, please visit their website at www.sanjosechineseschool.org.

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community. The former short-lived Radar Station played essentially no part in the day to day lives of this County. Granting it the status of historic site would be inappropriate because historic sites are normally places where some great event took place that was integral to the lives of the County or to the community in or near the site. The base structure for the former radar transmitter does not meet those criteria.

In my view attempting to save the structure would be opening a large can of worms for the Mid-peninsula Open Space District. I object to the District spending money on maintaining a structure that will continue to decay over time; a structure that is of no discernible value to the region for which the District receives its funding. It is already succumbing to the weather and, unlike natural features of the mountain; the structure is not likely to survive over time unless it receives continuing maintenance. Thirty years or fifty years from now it will still need frequent and constant maintenance to keep from looking like the abandoned buildings at Chernobyl. It could become a hazardous nuisance and, ultimately, the District would have to decide whether it wants to continue to spend money on a ramshackle structure, of no particular historical significance, or to finally do what should have been done early on: Demolish the structure and return Umunhum to its truly historic place as a natural mountain peak sacred to the original residents of this area, the Ohlone Tribe.

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Band members of the 'School of Rock' provided live entertainment for the Graystone Walkathon.

Graystone Elementary 'Spring Celebration and Walkathon' raises funds for programs

Students, parents, and educators turned out for the Graystone Elementary "Spring Celebration and Walkathon" held March 27.

The annual event focuses on enriching students' educational experience and help raise funds for a number of school related programs. Graystone chose the theme Legos 'AWESOME!!' to help motivate students and the community to participate.

This year's event included a number of activities, including a walkathon, silent auction, and raffle. Students of all ages from Graystone kindergartners to Bret Harte 8th graders came to Girl Scout Cadette Troop 60323 to learn about air pollution and the upcoming "Walk Week" scheduled for April 20-24. (See story on page 4.)

The event is main ways we raise money for school programs such as technology, science labs, equipment, PE, etc. All the money raised goes directly to these programs. The three main ways the Spring Celebration raises money is through lap pledges, auction, and raffle.

'Spring Celebration' transforms the entire outside portion of the school to an event venue. There is a large track set up for the kids to walk complete with a water station, prize hut, and lap markers. On the blacktop area there are food trucks, music, chairs, and

silent auction items.

The Walkathon portion of the Spring Celebration was a great success with many students participating. Students solicit a per lap or flat pledges for the Walkathon. Students who raised a minimum of \$40 receive a Spring Celebration t-shirt to wear the day of the event and to show their pride and support of Graystone School.

There were many items donated for the silent auction and raffle. Items include class baskets, donations from the Graystone community, and donated items from local Almaden businesses.

Spring Celebration Committees are as follows:

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Parents browse various silent auction items during Graystone Elementary Spring Celebration event. Items were donated by parents, teachers, and local Almaden Businesses. At right: More than a hundred students participated in the 'Walkathon' to raise money for the various school programs at Graystone Elementary.



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Echo Lake

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Resident Jenny Walicek agrees. “At immediate issue is the Almaden Golf and Country Club’s responsibility to restore the water for wildlife,” she says. “It’s breeding season for the mallard ducks and snowy egrets who have built their nests in the marshes, and for many other water birds who live among the now-exposed reeds.”

In a letter of complaint to the Country Club’s General Manager Robert Sparks, Walicek said, “You are... destroying the natural habitat of so many living things. The lake is full of fish that will soon be floundering in mud. Amphibians have lost their shoreline shelters. Deer, bobcats, coyotes, and other animals... drink from this rapidly emptying water hole. Your actions are going to cause animals to die.”

Walicek also noted that those creatures seeking water elsewhere may find it on the golf course to their detriment. “Based on last year’s killing of the wild pigs,” she said, “I assume you would take a similar approach to deer, their predators, and other desperately thirsty creatures mucking up your greens.”

Resident Peter Haas has fond memories of walking around the lake with his children when they were young and recalls his son’s first grade teacher taking her students to the lake to see the baby ducks.

“We’ve appreciated the beauty of the lake, and it’s been sad for us seeing its gradual degradation,” he says. “The Country Club has shown a lack of respect and stewardship for the natural environment and a lack of faith towards its surrounding community.”

The Country Club responded to community concern, saying it intends to restore water to the lake once repairs are complete.

“Almaden Golf and Country Club strives to be a good neighbor and a responsible property owner, and we regret any impact upon wildlife caused by our need to drain some water from Echo Lake to conduct repairs,” said Country Club President Mike Cannestra in an open letter posted on NextDoor.

The leak was located near one of the valves used to regulate the flow of water from the lake to the golf course.

“By draining a limited amount of water from the lake, we have been able to locate the source of the leak and facilitate repairs,” he says. “The Club does not plan to drain any additional water from the lake and expects that repairs will soon be complete. Although we are not obligated to restore the water level in the lake, the Club plans to do so.”

“We had two storms and it filled it up,” says resident Terry Haggin, “and each time they drained it, saying there was a leak in the pipe. They’ve had a year and a half to refill it and they haven’t done so.”

For Kimberly Jolly and her family, Echo Lake has always been an important part of the serenity and beauty of their neighborhood and one of the reasons they moved there. She appreciates the opportunity it allowed her children to see baby quail hatch and baby ducks float on the lake.

“Seeing that being destroyed has us pretty upset,” she says. “To see the frantic attempts of the wildlife trying to restore their nests, the mournful cry of the mother birds helpless to protect their offspring... the fish floundering on the edges of the muddy water... is heartbreaking.”

Haas sites flooding and high mercury lev-



“Heron and mallards and migratory birds have lost their nesting grounds,” said Walicek. “Loose eggs roll in the mud and dead fish rot on the shore.” Photo courtesy of Chih-Hsin Wang.

els as obstacles to developing houses on the Echo Lake property. He also notes that at least one protected species, the green heron, inhabits the lake.

“The Country Club seems to be following a strategy of making the lake as unappealing as possible,” says Haas, “so that resistance to development efforts will be weakened.”

The Country Club disagrees. “The drainage of the lake is unrelated to the potential sale or development of the property,” says Cannestra.

Although the Country Club says it is aware that some homeowners oppose development at Echo Lake, Cannestra says that the Board of Directors felt that current market conditions make a sale at this time advantageous.

The Echo Lake Property, known as Parcel 841, has been for sale off and on for more than 10 years. In order to build on the property, changes would have to be made to the existing Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs). A case currently pending in Santa Clara County Superior Court may determine the extent to which development at the property may occur, as well as approval by the City of San Jose.

“The Country Club has tried repeatedly to sell the land to contractors,” says Haas. “We understood from the CC&Rs that they’d leave the lake as it was, not sell the land to build houses. Developer Paul Ugenti sued 113 families in an attempt to intimidate us into letting him overturn the CC&Rs.”

Attorney Paul Glaspy is representing some of the families named in a Complaint being prosecuted by resident Paul Ugenti, who is under contract with the Country Club to purchase the Echo Lake property.

“His lawsuit requests that the court determine whether he has the right under the CC&Rs to put any houses on that property,” says Glaspy. “The homeowners believe that the CC&Rs state that those lots were not to be used for residential purposes and are going to oppose that lawsuit.”

“There’s a misinterpretation and misinformation when people talk about these lots

and the water storage area,” says Ugenti. “As far as I understand it, there’s nothing in the CC&Rs that require the Country Club to maintain a water supply up there.”

Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements (CC&Rs) - The General Plan dated October 31, 1974.

A-2. Exception: Non-Residential Lots. Lots 841, 843 and 873, Tract 5472. These three lots shall not be used for residential purposes as they constitute land being used as a golf course reservoir and related golf course uses. Note: City of San Jose zoning includes golf course areas and uses in their “residential” zoning. Lots 841, 843 and 873, Tract 5472 are excluded from residential restrictions in these covenants, however, uses and buildings approved by Use Permit before scheduled Owners of lots in Tract 5472 (other than Lots 841, 843 and 873) do not have any ownership, rights, or privileges, in or in relation to Lots 841, 843 and 873.

Ugenti says that he sent an Alternate Dispute Resolution to all of the homeowners in Tract 5472 requesting mediation. “No one in the entire tract agreed to any type of arbitration or conversation about the situation,” he says. As there was no response, he sent out a Declaration of Judgment, alerting the homeowners that he would be taking the CC&Rs before a judge for interpretation.

“I think we all just need to respect each other’s opinions,” says Ugenti. “When you have people that have a disagreement and can’t come up with an answer, there’s a venue for that and it’s usually in a court.”

Complaint for Declaratory Relief and To Quiet Title, filed March 5, 2015. Paul S. Ugenti, Plaintiff. 106. The Almaden Golf & Country Club is the owner of the real property located in San Jose, California. 107. The Property consists of undeveloped land that is not currently being used for a golf course reservoir or any related golf course uses. 108. Ugenti has entered into a contract with the Club to purchase the Property and the Club has assigned to Ugenti all of its rights and interests in and to any causes of action necessary to obtain a judicial decree that the Property may be used for, among other things, residential purposes, includ-

ing, without limitation, the causes of action alleged in this Complaint.

“Over time, I think a lot of the people in the community have kind of taken an ownership of the property, when they don’t really have an ownership,” says Ugenti. “There are even [No] Trespassing signs posted up there, and I think that gets violated all the time. I think that the owners of the property also have rights... and I think if they want to sell the property... they have the right to do that. I think the CC&Rs as they’re written... give the right to the Country Club to sell that property,” he says.

Resident Tobin Gilman agrees. “I am sympathetic to the sentimental attachment that people have to the lake,” he says, “but I’m troubled by the apparent sense of entitlement some folks have to dictating the use of property owned by others. If the lake is drained and filled in, the wildlife will adapt.”

Due to the ‘No Trespassing’ signs, resident Teri Chow says she was surprised that her neighbors felt permitted to walk on the property. “I felt like they were one ones breaking the law,” she says.

After a boy drowned at Echo Lake many years ago, she agreed with the installation of a fence on the property even though it curtailed her walks around the lake. “The 400 members of the Country Club have always been very aware of the lake and the liabilities it raises for the co-owners of the golf course,” she says.

Haas questions the Country Club’s motives in constructing the fence. “They put up an ugly chain link fence around the lake saying it was a safety and liability issue,” he says, “but it seemed disingenuous as the fence was built many years after the accident occurred. Moreover, there was no mention of putting a fence around the Country Club’s new water supply [on the golf course]. The effect of the fence was to severely diminish the beauty of the lake and to obstruct the wildlife that regularly came to the lake to drink.”

According to Haggin, the fence went up in 2002, and everything changed. “The Country Club used to have a guard patrol at the lake and sell fishing licenses to the kids,” says Haggin. “There were no problems with trespassers or trash because the country club and the community used to work together.”

Haggin says that in the past, the Country Club watered the golf course and kept the lake full even during the summer. Before they sprayed, he says, the serpentine rocks were surrounded with wild flowers and a waterfall trickled down the hillside.

Now, he says, the Country Club doesn’t maintain the water levels and dumps their leaves and clippings there. Pigs come down to wallow in the mud and nose for grubs on neighbor’s lawns. It smells bad and mosquitoes and flies are a problem.

“This isn’t about who is right and who is wrong,” says Jolly. “This is about saving a natural habitat, and the beauty of our neighborhood. Refill the lake. It’s a hidden treasure and we want to keep it.”

Resident Jean Mullinix agrees. “The natural beauty that has always surrounded this wonderful community is a big part of the draw to Almaden Country Club,” she says.

Mullinix enjoys watching the ducks that visit her home every spring and likely nest at the lake. “The loss of the lake would affect many animals and destroy the natural beauty that has stood the test of time,” she says. “We all know that once it’s gone, it’s gone forever and how sad is that?”

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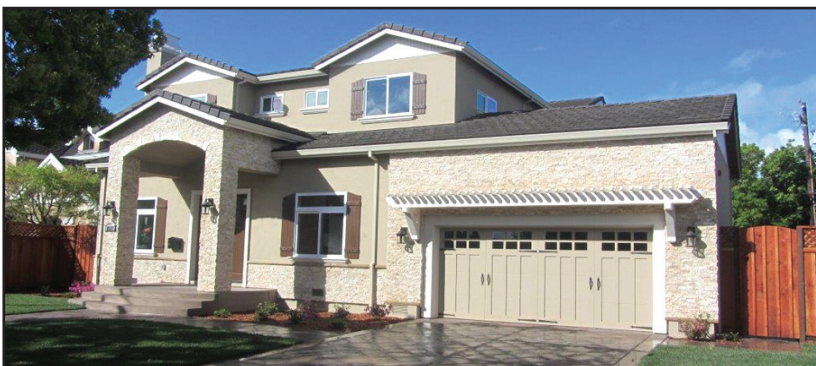
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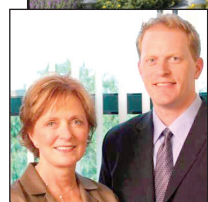
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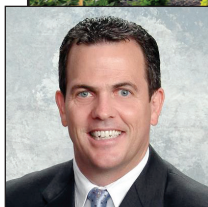
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Britannia Arms raises \$100,000 for San Jose police officer Michael Johnson

Almaden's Britannia Arms celebrated the life of San Jose Officer Michael Johnson by donating 100 percent of sales from its April 2 fundraiser event for the fallen officer's family.

Britannia Arm announced that his pub raised more than \$100,000 from the Almaden and sister location in downtown San Jose for the family of slain 14 year veteran officer who was 38 years old. Officer Johnson was shot in the line of duty during a domestic disturbance on March 24 when he responded to a 911 call

The event was a way for the pub to give back said co-owner Michael North. The pub has been a favorite among the police department personnel for many years.

Inside Britannia Arms, every flat screen TV showed the memorial. Outside, families shared their grief over losing the slain officer. "The Johnson family is going through a difficult time right now and we want to help them as much as possible," said co-owner Owen Nolan.

The fundraising event included a BBQ put on by the San Jose firefighters for \$20 a plate. "We're here to help the family get through this horrible tragedy," said San



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Jose Fire Department Captain Pete Roman. The event also included a silent auction, sports memorabilia donation, raffle and special prizes.

Best Buy and Walmart provided free parking for the Britannia Arms Almaden location for the convenience of those attending the event.

Editor's note: The police union has established a fund, collecting donations at sjpoa.com/donations and by mail to the San Jose Police Officers' Association, 1151 N. Fourth St., with checks payable to SJOACF with "Michael Johnson" in the memo line.

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The Almaden Eliminators (left to right) Assistant Coach **Chris Keiser**, **Synise Byrd**, **Kaily Yoshioka-Meonske**, **Kaci Yoshioka-Wong**, **Emily Ngo**, **Lyndsey Vale**, **Alexa Rocha**, **Olivia Olson**, **Allison Von Barloewen**, **Azia Wolfgang**, **Shelby Hood**, and Head Coach **Dave Keiser**.

Almaden 'Eliminators' Girls Basketball Team clinches second place

The Almaden Eliminators Girls Basketball Team beat all but one of their opponents clinching second place at the National Junior Basketball Tournament held March 27 in Southern California.

The Almaden Eliminators is made up of girls primarily at the 4th grade level.

Led by Coaches Dave and Chris Keiser, the Eliminators qualified to participate in the Tournament after finishing third in the

Silicon Valley Sectional All-Star Tournament.

Some teams have one or two stand out players that drive them to victory, but the Almaden Valley team consisted of ten talented super stars.

"This year's team was very young and included six 4th graders, three 3rd graders and one 2nd grader, said Dave Keiser. "It was an amazing combination of talent that put this team into the championship game

competing with the other top team in the tournament for first place," said Keiser.

The Eliminators defeated Lemoore 28-19 and Anaheim Hills 24-12 to win their pool and advance to the Semi Finals where they took on Visalia and defeated them by a score of 20-18. In the finals they lost to Rancho Santa Margarita 32-25.

Also competing in the Nationals representing Almaden were Division 3 Boys team and the Division 2 girls team.

Leland Tennis Team sweeps Evergreen Valley

Leland Chargers Boys' Tennis team completed a difficult two match sweep over Evergreen Valley on April 2. Eamon Smith and Kyle McDonald were out due to injuries. Singles wins were achieved by Mukund Madhabushi, Young Kim, and Nithin Sriram. Sriram won over an opponent he lost in the previous month. Doubles wins by (Brandon Kim and Justin Kim) and (Pranav Suppal and Umang Srivastav), the 5-2 win moves Leland to 12-0 and remaining atop the Blossom Valley Athletic League.



Pioneer was victorious for the second time last week. Photo by Trevor Sochocki/Prep2Prep

Pioneer High keeps Leland winless

By **Trevor Sochocki**
Prep2Prep.com

The Pioneer baseball team defeated host Leland 8-3 Thursday afternoon in a Blossom Valley Athletic League game.

The Mustangs improved to 6-6 overall (2-2 BVAL-MH) while the Chargers dropped to 2-7 (0-3). Pioneer completed a sweep of Leland, having won 4-1 just two days earlier.

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Times **Local News**

OFF THE SHELF
Book sale
scheduled
for April 18

By Ed Koetitz
Special to the Times

On Saturday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Almaden Branch Library is having its hugely popular "Spring Book Sale." At this event, there will be a large selection of gently used and sometimes new books covering a wide range of topics and interests. This event will be staged in the large community room next to the library's entrance. All proceeds benefit the Almaden Branch Library for special programs and services. For more information,

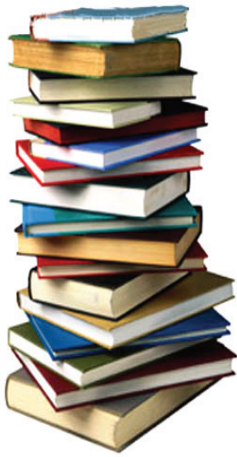
please call (408) 808-3040.

Events

•**Preschool Story Times** will be held on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. in the Children's area. There will be age appropriate stories, finger plays, songs and puppets, for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. Following the story time, there will be a 30-minute "Stay and Play."

•**Toddler Story Time** will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. for children ages 24 to 35-months. This is held in the Children's area. Following the story time, there will be a 30-minute "Stay and Play."

•**Music and Movement** is held on Saturdays, at 10:30 a.m. in the Children's area. Music and Movement is a free program



offered to families with children 2-5 years old. The program will have an emphasis on traditional nursery songs in English. Music and Movement is designed to nurture the oral language and gross motor development of young children by motivating parents to engage in musical activities with their child, while also promoting healthy and fun physical activity.

•**Reading Buddies** is held on Wednesdays 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and on Thursdays 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Children's area. In this program, local teens read to children preschool through third grade and if the child can read, the child can read to the teen. Many small children look up to teenagers with a sense of awe and the fact that our teen volunteers spend time with

them makes it extra meaningful for our littlest customers. This effective literacy program has been running non-stop since March, 2010 and has been made possible by our teens and their volunteer spirit.

•**Reading to Children** is held on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 12:30 p.m. in the Children's Area

•**ESL Conversation Club** is held on Thursdays at 1 p.m. Join us and practice speaking English in a small group with other adult learners.

•**ESL Book Club** is held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 11:45 a.m.

•**Reading to Furry Friends** is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

For news of other library activities, visit <http://www.sjpl.org/almaden>

Almaden Branch Library is located at 6445 Camden Ave.; phone: (408) 808-3040. Our regular hours are: Wednesday 11 a. m. - 8 p. m.;

Thursday 10 a. m. - 6 p. m.; Friday 10 a. m. - 6 p. m.; and Saturday 10 a. m. - 6 p. m. (closed Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday). For questions, please call (408) 808-3040 during open hours. Email may be sent at any time ab.sjpl@sjlibrary.org. Ed Koetitz is a Librarian at the Almaden Branch Library.

Silicon Valley traffic
more congested

Is Silicon Valley traffic better or getting worse? A new survey says Silicon Valley traffic is bad and getting more congested. San Jose now ranks as the sixth most congested American city in the 'Tom Tom Traffic Index', with a 30 percent congestion level. That means our roads are considered "congested" for 30 percent of the day. But by comparison, Los Angeles and San Francisco are the two most congested U.S. cities with 39 and 34 percent congestions respectively. The TomTom Index provides the general public, industry and policy makers with unique and unbiased information about congestion levels in urban areas.

Santa Clara County
third healthiest in
California

Santa Clara County ranks third as the healthiest county in the state, according to a new ranking released today by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Marin and Placer counties rank first and second. San Mateo County ranked fourth.

Foundation Vice President Michelle Larkin tells KLIV a big factor in the third and fourth place finishes is how well Santa Clara and San Mateo county residents do in leading a healthy lifestyle.

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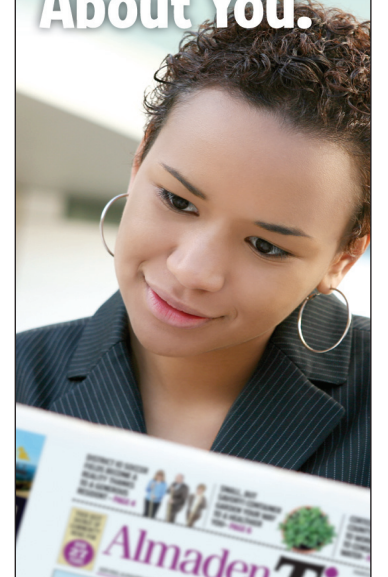
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May 5 Almaden Community Center to host Cinco de Mayo festivities featuring food, music, prizes

Join the **Almaden Community Center** for a fiesta celebrating the Battle of Puebla's victory over France on Tuesday, May 5th at 2 pm. The festivities include Authentic Mexican food, a live mariachi band and raffle prizes.

Tickets will go on sale beginning April 13th through 27th on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:40 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the community center lobby. Ticket prices are \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Almaden Community Center is located at 6443 Camden Ave.

April 10, Friday Eliot Fisk plays Classical Guitar

Come enjoy a concert of classical guitar music performed by Eliot Fisk. He is known worldwide as a charismatic performer famed for his adventurous and virtuosic repertoire. He is also celebrated for his willingness to take art music into unusual venues—including schools, senior centers, logging camps, and prisons. He remains, as his mentor Andres Segovia once wrote, "at the top line of our artistic world." 7:30 p.m. at Le Petit Trianon, 72 N Fifth Street, San Jose, CA. For more information, call 855-502-7247 or email info@sbgs.org. Tickets: \$15-\$35

April 11, Saturday The 21st Annual Spring Garden Market

You don't want to miss the Master Gardeners' annual Spring Garden Market! This is their premier plant sale, sustainable gardening showcase and vendor fair (complete with food trucks). Organization: History San Jose. Location: History Park, 1650 Senter Road, San Jose

95112. For more information, call 650-329-1356. Admission is free.

April 16 & 18, Thursday & Saturday The Breakfast Club, Cult Movie Series

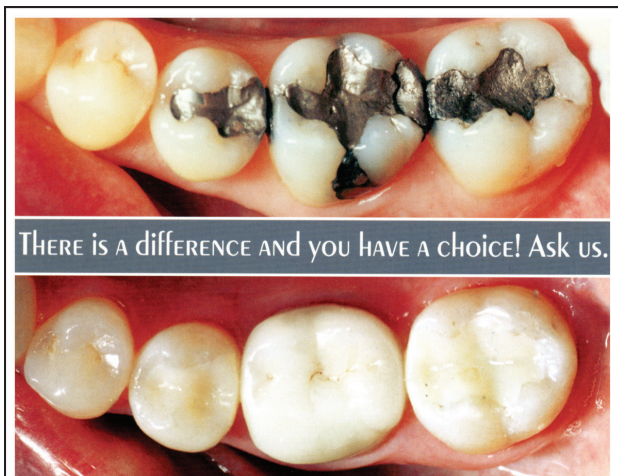
The ultimate Brat Pack flick from the great John Hughes, and the benchmark for all that followed in the teen drama genre, finds five teenagers--Bender the dude, Andrew the jock, Claire the prom queen, Allison the weirdo, and Brian the geek--sharing a day-long Saturday detention. Situated in the school's library and watched over by their anally-retentive teacher, they begin the day as strangers and soon find themselves united

by a common affliction: youth. The performances by the young cast, culminating in an exuberant pot-smoking session, followed by a genuinely touching denouement, is classic stuff. "The Breakfast Club" stars Judd Nelson, Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Ally Sheedy, Anthony Michael Hall, and Paul Gleason. This film is rated R.

This series of screenings is co-sponsored by Psycho Donuts, Streetlight Records, and Time Tunnel Toys. Prizes and special guests are planned for each screening. Thurs: 9:30pm Sat: 12am. Camera 3, 288 S 2nd Street, San Jose 95113. For more information, call 408-786-7323 or email cameracine-ma@aol.com. Tickets: \$7.50.



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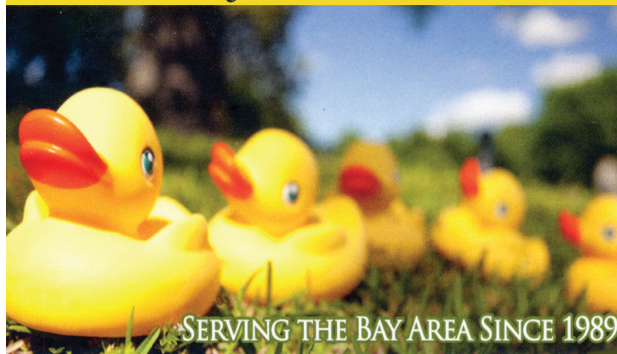
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Please join us for one of two seminars on Thursday, April 16th at the Almaden Community Center on Camden Avenue. The first Seminar will be from 11:00 am to noon, and the second Seminar will be from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. The Seminars will be held upstairs in Classroom 3.

This free seminar is being sponsored by Ray W. Sowards, Attorney and Benjamin J. Sowards, Attorney of the Sowards Law Firm. Seating is limited so please call 408-371-6000 to reserve your seat for the morning or afternoon seminar.

Times News Briefs

Supervisors consider options on housing for the homeless in Santa Clara County

The idea of investing in micro-housing received a nod of approval from the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, along with a slate of other options aimed at providing shelter for the thousands of homeless people who sleep by

creeks, in parks and on the streets.

At their meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, the board accepted a comprehensive report weighing the costs and feasibility of immediate solutions for homeless people while plans to build affordable housing take

shape across the area. All the options will return to the Board with more detailed proposals.

At the request of Supervisor Cortese and Supervisor Cindy Chavez, the Board voted in December to call for an analysis of available options and the cost effectiveness of each. Tuesday's discussion was based on the results of the research.

Besides micro-housing, or tiny house villages, options include funding unused beds in shelters, providing legal and safe places for people who live in their cars to park, renting motel rooms or allowing tent communities in sanctioned areas.

"We can't sit back and wait until we have enough affordable housing to meet the needs of our residents," said Board President Dave Cortese. "In fact, we don't have permanent housing solutions at this time. We have to move quickly to help people now, and use every option we have available."

The report recommends that the Board consider partnering with nonprofits and community based organizations to build and manage micro-housing villages, but cost estimates vary with the type of structures. Where to locate micro-housing is another issue that will be tackled in the future.

These temporary housing options will also be considered by the Housing Task Force, a short-term working group charged with focusing immediate solutions to the housing crisis. The Task Force's first meeting will be 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, April 24, in the County Government Center, 70 West Hedding Street.

On any given night in Santa Clara County, an estimated 7,600 are homeless, with only about 2,000 able to find beds at shelters or other temporary housing.

For more information or an interview, call the office of Supervisor Dave Cortese at 408-299-5030.

An open letter from the Mayor

Dear Friends,

We continue to mourn the loss of Officer Michael Johnson, and the thoughts and prayers of an entire city remain with his family, fellow officers, and friends.

Officer Johnson made the ultimate sacrifice when he responded to a call for help on a Tuesday night and our community gathered last week to honor his service and courage.

Last week was also a tragic reminder that not only do our officers make a sacrifice when they put on the uniform and badge, but so do their families, and we owe Officer Johnson's family our deepest debt. Please consider joining me in contributing to a special fund the San Jose Police Officers Association (POA) created to support Officer Johnson's family. To give, please visit: <http://www.healthdonor.com/campaigns/mjohnson3718/>

On Thursday April 2, the Britannia Arms Downtown (173 W Santa Clara St) and Almaden (5027 Almaden Expressway) will donate the entire day's proceeds to the fund in Officer Johnson's memory. Both locations are open from 11:00am-2:00am.

We are a city that is better for Officer Johnson's selfless service and I am grateful to all our men and women of the San Jose Police Department for their daily commitment to our great city.

Sincerely,
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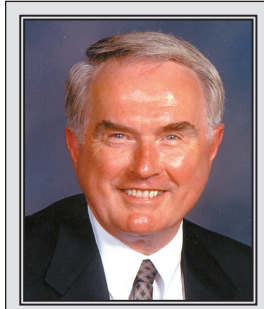
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Jack J.
Almaden Valley

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Dear Jack,
Sorry you have had problems with the legal documents they asked you to sign, Jack, since good workouts and good health are so important for all of us.

The short answer to one of your questions above is that such a document may be proper from a legal perspective. Of course, if you will not sign any kind of proper legal document under any circumstances you can take your business elsewhere.

The Court of Appeal for the Second Appellate District in southern California was faced with a release in a recent case. In that case, a member at a health club signed the club's standard form of release when he joined the club.

The release stated in part: "Using the 24 Hour Fitness USA, Inc. (24 Hour) facilities involves the risk of injury to you or your guest, whether you or someone else causes it. Specific risks vary from one activity to another and the risks range from minor injuries to major injuries, such as catastrophic injuries including death."

The release went on to say, "In consideration of your participation in the activities offered by 24 Hour, you understand and voluntarily accept this risk and agree that 24 Hour, its officers, directors, employees, volunteers, agents and independent contractors will not be liable for any injury, including, without limitation, personal, bodily, or mental injury...whether related to exercise or not".

The plaintiff in the case was Timothy Grebing and the defendant was 24 Hour Fitness USA, INC. Mr. Grebing was injured at the health club while using a "low row machine" at the facility in La Mirada, California. The low row machine is operated by sitting with one's legs extended on pads and lifting weights by pulling a metal handlebar with both hands.

In Mr. Grebing's case, a clip or snap hook connects the handlebar to a cable or belt running through pulleys and attached to weights. Mr. Grebing did three sets on the machine and

The case also revealed that Mr. Grebing had read the following warning label on the machine before he was injured: "PRIOR TO USE, BE SURE THAT THE SAFETY CLIP IS IN PROPER WORKING CONDITION AND SHOWS NO SIGNS OF WEAR."

Another issue in the case was whether the health club was liable for "gross negligence" that may render the release useless or not effective. "Ordinary negligence" is perhaps OK to assume in a release document in certain situations, such as "faultily maintained" equipment.

One of the central issues in the case was whether the release that Mr. Grebing signed when he joined the club was legal and therefore enforceable. The Court of

Appeal held that an exculpatory contract releasing a party from liability for future *ordinary negligence* is valid unless it is prohibited by statute or impairs the public interest.

Almaden Times readers can read the case for themselves by heading to their computer. In the browser enter the name of the case, Grebing v. 24 Hour Fitness USA, INC., and it should be up on your screen in a fraction of a second. It was filed January 29, 2015, and publication was ordered on February 19, 2015.

We need to keep in mind that since it is a very recent case, it may be appealed to the California Supreme Court, or other cases somewhat similar to it may "distinguish" it significantly.

So, in further answer to your question, Jack, you may be faced with a take-it or leave-it situation. Best wishes in your search for the right situation. I think you may find the investment in good health well worth it, especially if it is accident free.

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Times News Briefs

Let's keep community spirit alive in the memory of Officer Michael Johnson

At the April 2 memorial service for San Jose Police Officer Michael Johnson, each speaker called attention to the overwhelming outpouring of support and sympathy from the community for the Johnson family, the San Jose Police Department and all men and women who choose a career in law enforcement.



County Report

By Dave Cortese
Supervisor

We often come together as a community in the wake of a tragedy. In this case, it was for 14-year veteran Officer Johnson, 38, who was killed on March 24 by a bullet from a suicidal man whose wife had called the police for help.

From Los Gatos to the SAP Pavilion, people lined the route of the procession bringing Officer Johnson's casket to the memorial service. Some waved flags, others held up signs of sympathy and gratitude. There were schoolchildren, military veterans who raised their hands in salute and parents who felt the pain of a family losing a son.

People also lined Monterey Road along the route to Oak Hill Cemetery, where a private burial service was held. Most of them, as well as the 10,000 attendees inside SAP, had never met Office Johnson. But they were united in wanting to show that they cared about this tragic loss and that we should come together for the common good.

I did know Michael Johnson and I've known his family for quite some time. I had the honor of meeting with them the day after Michael died. We talked about his devotion to his family and his service as an officer in helping the most vulnerable among us. It brought to mind the words that Cesar Chavez wrote in "The Prayer of the Farm Workers' Struggle:"

"Grant me courage to serve others; for in service there is true life.

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Let us remember those who have died for justice; for they have given us life."

On the day of the memorial, hundreds of law enforcement officers from the Sheriff's Department and from across the region volunteered to fill work shifts so the SJPD officers could attend the service. As they arrived for the 7:30 a.m. briefing, I greeted them along with members of my staff, the staff of Supervisor Cindy Chavez, other supervisors and Sheriff Laurie Smith, with beverages and snacks set up near the Old City Hall. They officers said they were glad to provide their service.

Along a fence outside the SJPD headquarters and in front of the main entrance, memorials grow with

flowers, notes and signs. The San Jose Police Officers Association is continuing its online donation drive at www.sjpoa.com, and my office is involved in a fundraiser for Saturday, April 11.

As the memory of this tragedy fades and we return to a kind of normalcy, I hope we can keep this spirit of unity alive. Let's do it in the memory of Officer Michael

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Second Sunday of the month
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