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IF YOU BUILD IT...

Almaden housing development projects revealed; new grocery store may open

By Lorraine Gabbert
Senior Staff Writer

Planning is underway for several new housing projects in Almaden and new businesses are in the works including a new grocery store at Via Valiente Plaza Shopping Center.

Almaden housing projects being developed include the parcel featuring The Reuben Baker Ranch House (Matteis house) across from Almaden Center, the Mazzone property, and the site of the former Shell Station on Almaden Expressway and Redmond Ave.

On March 18, 2015, the Director of Planning approved a subdivision of the
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The Reuben Baker Ranch House property may be developed, but the historic house will remain.

Big win for Leland High School at California Speech Association State Tournament

By Bill Bellou
Times Publisher

Leland debate students won 26 awards at the California High School Speech Association State Tournament (CHSSA) held April 17-19 at Vista Murrieta High School in Murrieta, California. More than 1,200 students competed at this year's event.

CHSSA is a non-profit, all volunteer association comprised of more than 300 member schools throughout the state of California. Volunteer members include teachers, speech and debate coaches, parents and community members. CHSSA sponsors 11 leagues in the state that host a variety of local speech and debate competi-

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Lincoln-Douglas Debate champion Ann-Kathrin Merz with her coach Chris Wardner.

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Almaden high school freshman finishes eighth in nationwide investment writing competition

By Bill Bellou
Publisher

Nirban Singh Bhatia, a high school freshman at Harker School, finished eighth in the 9-12 grade level in the InvestWrite national financial writing competition.

Among the thousands of essays received, Bhatia's was among the top ten in the nation, finishing eighth among high school freshman, sophomore, and seniors.

What makes winning the competition more impressive and sweet for Bhatia is that his winning essay was submitted as he was just entering his freshman year at Harker School.

The InvestWrite competition builds a bridge between classroom learning and the real world to enhance financial knowledge and helps strengthen technical writing skills. InvestWrite compliments The Stock Market Game Program.

Nirban wrote his essay about his favorite company, Gilead Sciences. He believed in the long term potential of the company and the drug they have produced for Hepatitis C, Harvoni. This drug has the potential of saving millions of people suffering around the world.

Nirban, who was born and raised in Almaden, said he loves hiking up the beautiful hills in Almaden Valley. As a kid he enjoyed going to different local ranches and spending time with horses. He appreciates the history of Almaden and makes annual

trips to the Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum.

Each teacher around the nation selects the top ten essays from the class and submits them to the national InvestWrite competition and then they are scored by four additional judges.

The national judges are members of the Securities Industry that support the SIFMA Foundation. Each essay is scored based on the following three criteria which are equally weighted. The criteria include understanding of the subject matter, rationale, and writing style.

The judges pay careful attention to picking the students that exhibit knowledge regarding the concept of researching and planning an investment strategy. It is also important to have a logical thinking process and written argument that encourages the reader to continue the reading to the conclusion of the essay.

Nirban started high school in the Fall of 2014 and had a full load from the challenging curriculum of his Freshmen year (9th grade) and writing one more essay was the last thing on his mind.

"I was going to spend the time watching my favorite sports channel or listening to music on the Sunday night before the essay was due until the thought of my business class teacher Juston Glass crossed his mind," said Nirban. "Juston is an exceptional teacher for Business and Entrepreneurship and he encouraged me to write so

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how could I disappoint him?" said Nirban.

"Nirban's essay was very strong, and we are so proud of him and his effort in taking the chance to submit," said Juston Glass, Director Business and Entrepreneurial Programs. "As a freshman, entering into such a prestigious competition can be intimidating, but Nirban took the challenge head on," he said. "We look forward to seeing how he progresses as an emerging leader and future business professional."

Nirban explained that contest participants are given a prompt that consists of two questions: 1.) Which company do you think will be successful in the long-term and why? 2.) Which product created by this company will be successful in the long term and why?

Nirban is an avid squash and

basketball player. Along with playing, he is a huge sports enthusiast who closely follows the Boston Celtics and Baltimore Ravens.

In his free time Nirban enjoys writing on various topics based on business and technology. He is also passionate about community service and has volunteered his time with low income families and children in the Bay Area.

The goal of InvestWrite is to enhance financial knowledge and technical writing. InvestWrite is funded by the SIFMA Foundation. Utilizing feedback from teachers nationwide, InvestWrite builds a bridge between classroom learning and the real world. InvestWrite complements The Stock Market Game program learning experience and easily integrates across subjects throughout your curriculum.



PIONEER ON FIRE

Azevedo fires two more shutouts as Mustangs continue winning ways

Sophomore Holly Azevedo led the Pioneer girls softball team to yet another shutout victory. Azevedo tossed two complete game shutouts two weeks ago, defeating Piedmont Hills 4-0 and Live Oak 10-0.

Against the Pirates, Azevedo was near perfect. She allowed only two hits and sat down 14 batters on strikes.

The Live Oak win was near perfect for Azevedo allowing only two hits and walked two and struck out 11 in the five-inning win.



Times **Local News**

Former Pioneer High School vice-principal tells her story of her family's internment during WWII

By Louise Polizzotto

Special to the Times

Yoneko (Nicky) Miyamura, a former vice-principal at Pioneer High School recently told the personal story of her family's internment during World War II. Nicky has been a 50 year member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor society for women educators, but this was the first time she had told her story to the women of her DKG chapter as they met in the Japanese American Museum on February 14th. What follows is the script Nicky wrote to tell of her family's story.

"It was December 7, 1941. One of my brothers and I had spent the afternoon at the movies watching the next episode of Flash Gordon. When we arrived home, the radio was on and the news was that Japan had bombed Pearl Harbor. Little did we know that this act would forever change our lives. My father, a widower, with seven children to raise must have sensed that there would be hard times ahead for any one of Japanese ancestry. My oldest brother, whose best friend was a sailor on the USS Arizona now lying at the bottom of Pearl Harbor, was no longer welcomed by his friend's mother at their home where he had been treated as another son.

Japanese family in the neighborhood gathered together to give comfort and support to one another as the FBI came into their homes and searched for anything that they thought could be used to help the enemy. (There was not one case of espionage committed by the Japanese living in the United States during the war.)

Families burned letter, papers, and pictures from relatives and friends in Japan; anything they thought would incriminate them. Fathers were taken away to detention camps if they were thought to be a leadership role and not reunited with their families until almost the end of the war. Mr. Kai, one of our neighbors and father of three daughters, was taken away to either North or South Dakota and did not see his family for the next three years.

There was soon talk of evacuating anyone of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific coast states. With the powers given to him by the President, General Dewitt ordered the evacuation of more than 120,000 Japanese from the Pacific Coast to various camps set up around the state and country. There were to be ten in all, fenced in with barbed wires and sentries posted at various points of the camps.

We were told that we could take one suitcase a piece and would be evacuated in March. Those of us in



Yoneko (Nicky) Miyamura

Santa Cruz were put on buses and taken to the Salinas Assembly Center and housed at the rodeo grounds. The houses were barracks put together so hurriedly that the floor boards didn't come together and the drafty cold wind came through. It was so cold that the only way we could get warm was to stand near the bonfires that had been made by the young adults outside of the barracks. We were detained there for the next three months.

At the end of our detention at the Salinas rodeo grounds, we were put on trains with the blinds drawn and taken to the desert in Poston, Arizona; the nearest town was Parker, Arizona. We were confined to Poston for the next three years.

Coming from the cold of the Salinas Valley to the hot Arizona



The Poston Relocation Center

desert was a terrible shock. Upon our arrival, we were told to line up, assigned a barrack number, given salt tablets and a mattress cover, and told to fill it with straw. When the first scorpion was sighted, that was the end of the straw for our

mattress. We slept on the cots and eventually were given mattresses.

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Times **Community News****DO GOOD****You can help transform a middle school in the South Bay area**

Join Venture Christian Church on the weekend of May 16-17, at Leonard Herman Intermediate School, located at 5955 Blossom Ave, San Jose, CA where we will put our skill sets to use by helping a local South Bay school in the Blossom Valley neighborhood of San Jose, CA.

Beautiful Day – the concept – is a group of government agencies, churches, community organizations, and individuals helping others by addressing needs across Santa Clara County. Since its inception in 2004, Beautiful Day has sought to invest in communities with simple, and unyielding kindness that has a tangible effect in the community.

What's being done: Painting, landscaping, tree planting, gardening, plumbing, and general beautification of the property will be taking place in several groups for the entire weekend. If you have a business that can partner with us or a skill set in carpentry, landscaping and painting, we'd love to hear from you.

If you have a passion for helping others in our city and want to have a blast work-

ing alongside friends and new faces, sign up now to volunteer at Beautiful Day May 16-17. Families and sports leagues, clubs and teams are all welcome to join. Youth age 6 to 17 are welcome to volunteer. Kids ages 6-12 will need to work with their parents. Give four hours of your weekend or more to do good! Lunch provided.

Venture Christian Church is located in Los Gatos. Venture Christian Church is a dynamic, fast-growing community in the Silicon Valley, led by pastor, author and speaker Chip Ingram. Venture

Christian Church is a nondenominational church, committed to helping Christians live like Christians. Learn more at www.venturechristian.org.

Beautiful Day is a group of government agencies, churches, community organizations and people serving others by meeting the needs across Santa Clara County, CA. Since its inception in 2004, Beautiful Day has sought to invest in communities with simple acts of compassion. Learn more at www.beautifulday.org.

BEAUTIFUL DAY 

Paws for Purple Hearts aided by local wine stroll

Santana Row Sponsored a wine stroll benefiting Paws for Purple Hearts with Veterans Helping Veterans April 23.

Paws for Purple Hearts was established to teach veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder to train dogs to become service dogs to give to veterans with combat related injuries.

It takes about two years to train an assistance dog for this program, said Sandra Carson, therapeutic instructor for Paws for Purple Hearts. "The Santana Row event raised awareness and funds for the program at no charge to the veterans," she said.

More than 20 Santana row merchants provided special discounts to their customers during this event. Local wineries also participated by providing tasting of their wine selections and snacks for those leisurely strolling Santana Row.

"The evening event was a tremendous success with more than 150 participants and volunteers," said Carson.

Raffle tickets were purchased for a drawing held to award several donated gift baskets, gift certificates and other



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items to the lucky winners. Many donations were made in addition and some winners gave their winning gifts to the attending veterans.

Those wishing to volunteer to help with paws for Purple Hearts can contact Kim Worrall at 408.253.4362 or by e-mail to kim_worrall@me.com

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Times Feature

County to replace green lawns with drought-resistant plants

By Ken Yeager

Board of Supervisors

In an ongoing effort to address California's water crisis, Supervisor Dave Cortese joined me in proposing a new policy to reduce the impact of County landscaping on the local water supply. On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to replace decorative lawns and other water-intensive landscapes with drought-tolerant plants.

Currently, there are numerous green grass lawns on County-owned land that require regular maintenance and watering. Those properties include the Civic Center and the Main Jail as well as the office buildings at Berger Drive and Charcot Avenue in San Jose.

The new policy requires County staff to identify such properties, including those along County roads, and create a xeriscaping—or sustainable landscaping—plan that utilizes drought-tolerant or native plants instead. Lawns that are maintained for recreational purposes such as parks and sports fields will be exempted from the policy.

There is no time to waste in mitigating the effects of this drought. The federal Environmental Protection Agency estimates that up to 50% of landscape water use goes to waste because of evaporation, wind, or runoff caused by overwatering. Converting to a sustainable landscape through careful plant selection and design can eliminate that lost water. This new policy is great way for the County must lead by example when it comes to water conservation.

Some of the new landscaping standards will be incorporated into existing capital projects. The County will also seek state and local water conservation grants to fund the cost of other landscape conversions. County staff will also seek opportunities to collaborate with the Santa Clara Valley Water District, the California Conservation Corps, and certified community conservation corps to achieve mutually beneficial goals.

In addition to converting existing lawns, the new policy places a 10-year moratorium on installing any new water-intensive landscaping at County-owned facilities. This would include grass lawns that are heavily



Members of the San Jose Conservation Corps are currently performing a turf conversion at the County Roads & Airports Maintenance Office on Shallenberger Road in San Jose. Under the new policy, more projects like this will soon be underway at County properties.

reliant on water and decorative fountains that use water.

Recently, the Board adopted an ordinance establishing permanent mandatory conservation for residents in unincorporated areas of the County. A similar measure for businesses will be considered soon. Additionally, all County Departments are currently putting 25% water reduction plans into place.

The County's new lawn conversion policy is in line with other recent water-saving efforts, some of which have been recognized with Silicon Valley Water Conservation Awards. Those projects have included utilizing recycled water for landscape irrigation and installing low-flow shower heads at County detention centers.

While the new policy was instigated by the drought at hand, it is being implemented with an eye toward systematic and permanent changes. The long-term effects of climate change across the region are being considered as well. We are entering a new era of mindfulness in water consumption. Conservation and smart resource management have to be the new normal.

As always, I encourage you to contact my office if you have any concerns or are interested in additional information. You can reach me at (408) 299-5040 or via email at Supervisor.Yeager@bos.sccgov.org.

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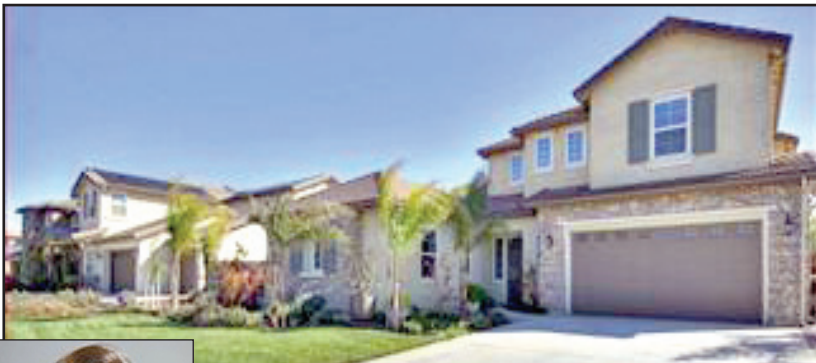
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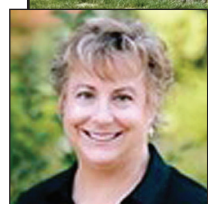
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Times Feature

Walk week a success thanks to the support of Almaden Girl Scout Cadette Troop

Almaden Girl Scout Cadette Troop 60323 has been working hard to promote Walk Week in Almaden Valley which was held the week of April 20-24. Hundreds of students participated in this year's successful event.

The Troop 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 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.

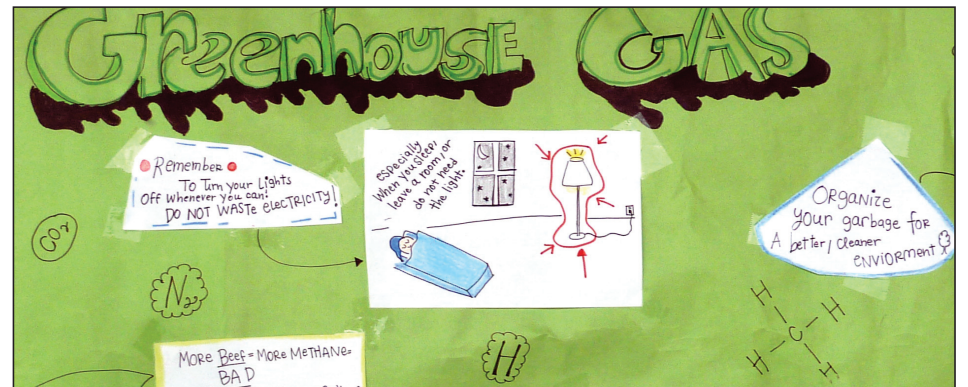
The Troop placed flyers and posters at both Graystone and Bret Harte to publicize "Walk Week."

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 resources to suit their needs while giving back to their communities. For more information contact Troop Leader Janette Chock walkweek@chock.com



The Walk Week crew of **Samantha, Janice, Sam, Allison, Liz, Monica, Megha**, (not pictured Purbasha & Kelly) walked to school themselves all week. Several plan to continue enjoying the camaraderie of walking to school together while reducing air pollution after Walk Week. Below: Kimberly Jerkins' BHMS Leadership Class supported Walk Week and Earth Day by putting up inspirational posters about pollution and other green awareness topics around campus.



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Times **Local News**

Evacuees from Arizona's Poston War Relocation Center stand in line before the departure station where they received ration books and bus tickets home in September of 1945. —NARA

Internment

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was divided into apartments. There were seven people in our family, and we all had to share the one room apartment. Families lost their privacy and so did the neighbors in the next apartment. Eventually my oldest brother (age 21) had me take apart the mattress covers and stitch them together to make a large curtain to separate the sleeping area from the visiting area.

This same older brother was later drafted by the United States Government and told to report to the Army. He refused and was arrested and put in jail in Parker, Arizona. He argued that his rights, as an American, had been violated by the government by putting him into these camps. He was released after 3 months. I don't know if it was because the judge believed him or realized that they really didn't have a case. Later this brother was killed in a logging accident in Aspen, Colorado. He had gone there on a work furlough that the government had allowed the internees to participate in to earn money. The family was devastated; the spark seemed to go out of my father's life. It was a difficult time for all of us.

Dust storms were frequent. Dust was everywhere coming through the cracks in the floor and through the window areas. Earwigs and crickets came through the cracks as well.

Eventually a watering and irrigation system was put in by the internees to help control the dust around the barracks; desert land was brought to life and crops could be raised.

Dinner was served in the mess hall. Families usually ate together but eventually found themselves eating with friends. Looking back, this was not good for keeping the family together nor was it good for young people to not learn to use good manners when dining.

Separate bathrooms for men and women were located in a separate building in the middle of the block. Toilets were lined up in a row with no partitions for privacy. Partitions were later installed but with no doors.

Since I was now 12 years old and much aware of the changes in my body, having to use the open stalls was difficult, and I often looked for the one at the end of the row of toilets for privacy. Showers were communal, and I often went late in the evening where I found other women doing the same thing. The wash basin was a long galvanized trough with faucets sticking out of the wall where we washed our faces and brushed our teeth. It wasn't the most ideal, but we were all doing

it. It was gross.

I took care of the laundry with a wash board and to this day am so grateful for my washing machine and dryer as I am for my nice toilet with its privacy.

Teachers came from the outside and taught us. I marvel that they would take a teaching position in the hot, dry desert and come into an unknown situation and do the good job that they did, and they truly liked working with us. I look back at my 6th grade teacher who was also a teaching principal and how kind she was to me. When we were leaving for the camps, she brought me a coat to say that I might need it, but I was too proud to take it. There was never an unkind word said to me by the other students after war had been declared and I know it was because of this teacher. It was because of her that I became a teacher. I wished that I could have told her this when I went into teaching but was too shy to go back and tell her.

As the war was winding down in 1945, people were beginning to relocate out to different areas in the United States to get on with their lives. Some went to places such as Seabrook farms in New Jersey, to Nebraska, and Chicago; wherever they might find work and a place to settle with their families.

We weren't sure what we would be doing since we didn't have a place to return to in Santa Cruz. Eventually we were taken to San Jose's Japantown where we were housed for a short period of time. There we learned about Ned Driscoll who wanted the returning internees to help raise strawberries in Morgan Hill. He would provide the farm land and housing, and we would be sharecropping, 50-40. Driscoll would get 50 percent and the sharecropper 40 percent. There were several families who would participate in this venture, each with their own acreage.

I believe that we stayed with Driscoll forms for eight years, saved our money and were able to buy our own little farm in San Martin.

Several years later, we were compensated by the government as well as an apology and admission that this injustice had taken place because of racial prejudice and war hysteria.

We rarely speak of this time in our lives even with family and friends. It is only because of my dear friend Gloria Cutshall that I am here today to share this part of my life.

Thanks to the Japanese American Museum of San Jose whose efforts will always remind us of what took place more than 70 years ago."

Nicky continues even now as an educator, assisting those who did not receive a high school diploma to complete the necessary work to receive a GED.

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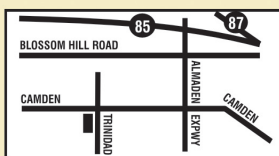
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Illustrator **Priscilla Burris** and Author **Wanda Coven** enjoy a moment with **Caden Wardner** during their visit to Almaden Country School.

Mom's secret identity revealed in author's visit at Almaden Country School

There was magic in the air at Almaden Country School on April 23. It was a very typical morning: Alison Inches woke up, made breakfast for her son, Hunter, and drove him to Almaden Country School.

But then... spells were uttered, giggles were heard and Alison was transformed into Wanda Coven, the beloved author of the Heidi Hecklebeck series.

Not only was Wanda brought to life but the illustrator, Priscilla Burris, was presented to a packed library of kindergartners through third grade students.

The author and illustrator duo were introduced by students dressed up as Heidi and her friends Bruce and Lucy in a library adorned with a large lit up heart with Heidi Hecklebeck's name in the middle.

"The student who dressed up as Heidi made it feel like she had actually come to life," said an impressed Wanda. "I got chills!"

The trio of students put on a little skit about how they were at Brewster Elementary (the school in the series) and discussed how they wished that their author and illustrator would come to visit. Then Lucy and Bruce scooted off to science while Heidi removed a fake cover from her spell book and uttered:

Dipide doo
Dipide dee

Make the author and illustrator come to me!

The next thing we knew, Wanda and Priscilla appeared and were showered by the kindergarten confetti crew. The energy in the room exploded as confetti flew around the dynamic duo.

Interestingly, the author and illustrator had never met although it felt like they were old friends as they talked, sketched and laughed with the students.

"This is the first time we've had an author and illustrator visit the school together," said librarian Ms. Williams. "I shared with the students that this was really unique opportunity and quite unusual to hear from both perspectives at same time."

The pair shared their personal stories.

Priscilla talked about how she always loved creating art from a very young age and went on to graduate from The Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising before she became a children's book illustrator. She said it's a privilege, an honor and a joy to illustrate books for children and how much she loves her job.

Worked with Muppet master Jim Henson

Alison talked about working in New York with Jim Henson and in California with George Lucas but also remembered her childhood when she used to make secret potions from smooshed shells and acorns. Then she would pretend to transport herself and her friends to enchanted places.

And the library certainly felt like an enchanted place as Priscilla drew fun pictures, Alison shared interesting stories and the children listened intently.

"My favorite part was when they told the story of the three little pigs and drew pictures," said a second grade student whose eyes were lit up and a huge smile crossed her face.

There were smiles and giggles all around as the two signed books from the series that will top 15 books next fall before the children trotted off to the playground. The happiness and joy was mutual as Priscilla sent a note to Ms. Williams the next day, "I'm still reeling from the joy, fun and wonderfulness of yesterday, she said. '...Such a cool, wonderful Bruce!"

But magic doesn't last forever so Bruce was transformed back into his second grade self and Wanda changed back into mom mode before the school bell rang at the end of the day.

Almaden Country School is a nonsectarian south San Jose independent school that offers programs for students from 4 years of age through 8th grade. This highly regarded school, which has 400 students, believes that each child has unique capabilities and talents. In its 33rd year of discovering the gifts in every child, ACS offers a Character & Competence program for developing strong, ethical leaders; small class sizes; a broad and challenging curriculum; and passionate teachers who share a genuine love of children.

CommunityCalendar

Water-Wise Landscaping Course

What: Guadalupe River Park Conservancy and Master Gardeners Dee Brown & Lisa Strand invite residents to learn water-saving landscaping techniques. Participants in this 3-week course will learn about the many beautiful low-water plants that thrive in our climate with minimal water usage. The cost is \$35 for GRPC members, \$45 for non-members. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited.
When: Wednesdays, May 6-20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: GRPC Visitor & Education Center, 438 Coleman Avenue, San

Jose

More Information: Call 408-298-7657 or visit <http://www.grpg.org>.

Willow Glen 5K Run/Walk

What: Willow Glen Elementary School invites serious runners and casual walkers alike to its annual 5K Run/Walk in San Jose's Willow Glen neighborhood. Following the event is a post-race festival, which will include a pancake breakfast, music, games, and much more. Proceeds from the race will benefit local after-school programs.
When: Saturday, May 9 at 9 a.m.
Where: Willow Glen Elementary



Willow Glen Elementary School will host a 5K Run/Walk this weekend.

School, 1425 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose

More information: Visit www.willowglen5k.org or email info@willowglen5k.org.

Kids Tree Safari

What: Our City Forest invites children of all ages to join the Kids Tree Safari and discover the great urban outdoors of San Jose. In this expert-led tour, participants will learn about the unusual and wonderful plants living in our region's biggest city. RSVP is required. Bilingual services are available.
When: Saturday, May 9 and June 20, at 2 p.m.
Where: Our City Forest Community Nursery, 1000 Spring Street, San Jose
More Information: Email tree-tours@ourcityforest.org or call 408-998-7337.

Armed Forces Day Run/Walk and Fun Fest

What: The Veterans Support Services Agency presents a day of family fun in honor of Armed Forces Day. In the morning there will be a 5K run as well as a 1 mile walk, with award categories for each. After the race, the Family Fun Fest will begin, offering live music, a classic car display, local artists, food, and more. Pre-registration is required. Organizers are offering \$5.00 off the registration price with the code "newsletter".
When: Saturday, May 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Where: Lake Cunningham Park, 2305 S. White Road, San Jose
More information: Visit www.vssainc.org/afd/.

Parent Conference

What: Venture Christian Church Kicks off a Free 3 day Parent Conference for Bay Area Families Join Venture Christian Church.
When and Where: The weekend of May 29-31, at the Los Gatos campus located at 16845 Hicks Road, Los Gatos, CA for the Venture Family Conference.
More information: Guest speaker, Craig Jutila, will be speaking about taking the family "From Hectic to Healthy." Craig is a passionate and nationally known communicator, author, and blogger. The conference will address ways to balance family time with the hectic schedule of life here in Silicon Valley. Topics touched will be understanding your child or student's overextended schedule or problem behavior, and managing the changing landscape of technology and the Internet's affect on the family.

This free event is open to all families. Whether you're a parent of an 18 month-old or an 18 year-old, Craig will speak directly to the issues and challenges that all parents face.

Food trucks will be available for you to purchase dinner from 5-6:30PM. Care for children will be provided for birth - 2 years. Children preschool and elementary ages will enjoy separate kid-friendly, age-appropriate movie nights. 6th, 7th, and 8th, graders will have a fun time chowing down on pizza and hanging out together in our middle school environment. After the session is over, a free dessert reception for the parents will be from 8:30-9PM. Please RSVP at www.venturechristian.org/family



Ballet San Jose Silicon Valley performs 'Cinderella' May 8-10

Ballet San Jose Silicon Valley is presenting popular family entertainment for Mother's Day weekend with a performance of "Cinderella," complete with fairy godmother, a pumpkin turned into a coach, and a shiny glass slipper.

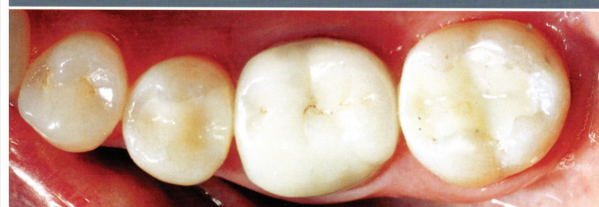
Raymond Rodriguez, associate artistic director of the company, is taking on the task of staging the production, choreographed by Ben Severson, with music by Sergei Prokofiev. Rodriguez is a former principal dancer for the ballet company.

The ballet takes place at the Center for Performing Arts, 255 S. Almaden Blvd on May 8 at 8 p.m.; May 9 at 1:30 and 8 p.m. and May 10 at 1:30 p.m. The May 9 matinee is a special family-priced performance.

Non-subscriber tickets are priced at \$25-\$110; family-priced tickets are \$25-\$80. Youth, senior and family pricing and other special promotions are available. For information on tickets or season subscriptions, visit balletsj.org.



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Development

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Reuben Baker Ranch House (Matteis house) property at 6468 Almaden Road, into eight lots. Although seven of these will be developed, the one with the historic Reuben J. Baker Ranch House will not.

According to *Santa Clara County, California, Illustrated*, published in 1888, the Baker Ranch House and farm was a noteworthy addition to the community.

“Residing on the Almaden Road, in the Pioneer District, Almaden Township is the owner of perhaps the most desirable farm in his district. His residence is about nine miles from the Court House in San Jose, and four miles from New Almaden.

Mr. Baker was born in Hampshire County, West Virginia, February 2, 1835. He was reared to a farm life...and in August, 1858, he reached San Jose. As the owner of a splendid farm of 300 acres...[it] speaks truly of his ambition, energy, and good management. This farm...is second to none in this part of the county. During the year following his arrival in California, he purchased a part of the property which he has ever since owned, and upon which he now makes his home. Later, he has added to his farm by purchase, until it has reached its present extent. His costly residence was erected in 1886.”

A *Mercury News* obituary noted that Baker, the grandson of a Major in the Revolutionary War, was a well-known pioneer resident of Santa Clara County. In 1865, he married Winifred L. Hart and they had eight children. He died August 6, 1918 at age 84.

Today, the Baker property includes the ranch house, tank house, a large barn, shed, and a detached garage. Although the barn will be demolished, the other structures will be left on site. The ranch house and tank house were declared a City Landmark in 1992. Per the Resolution, the ranch house and tank house must be maintained by whoever purchases the property, and any work done to the ranch house must be in accordance with the City’s historic preservation permit process.

Public Works is currently evaluating the final Tract Map for storm water treatment measures and access. A modified cul-de-sac has been approved to grant two houses access from Ramblewood Drive. Two homes, including the historic house, will access Almaden Road, and the three others will use Trimber Crest Drive. Zoning standards for the subdivision follow those of the existing neighborhood.

Mazzone Property

According to Project Manager Rebecca Bustos, rezoning from an Agricultural Zoning District to a Planned Development Zoning District has been requested to allow up to 8 single-family homes on the Mazzone property’s 1.81 acre site located at 6082 Almaden Road. Six structures are currently on the site: two houses, two sheds, a detached garage, and a barn.

The site poses some development constraints including a 137.5-foot PG&E easement along the site’s southern boundary, a 65-foot Santa Clara Water District easement for Golf Creek along the north boundary and another for Alamitos Creek along the east boundary, and a 25-foot sanitary sewer easement along the west boundary.

“It’s a difficult site for a number of reasons, leaving a much smaller development footprint,” says Mark Lazzarini, Managing Principal of DAL Properties, which is devel-



Top: Eight homes are proposed for the Mazzone property; above left: New businesses are set to join Almaden Via Valiente Plaza Shopping Center; above right: Kiddie Academy is proposed at the site of the former Shell station. *Photos by Lorraine Gabbert*

oping the site.

Therefore, the project’s proposed riparian corridor setbacks are less than the 100-foot recommended by the City. These include an extension of Almaden Road over a proposed culvert extension in Golf Creek for access, and portions of the development occurring within 30 feet of Golf Creek and 75 feet of Alamitos Creek. City staff has not yet formulated recommendations on the narrower setbacks.

“To be able to fit eight houses, we have to have some relief of the setbacks,” says Lazzarini. “If the footprint was to shrink anymore, it would drop the number of homes we could build there, and not make it a venture worth pursuing.”

In addition, the soil contains mercury, lead and pesticide contaminants, as well as potential hydrocarbon residue from underground gas lines used as fueling stations for the ranch’s agricultural equipment. The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is overseeing the cleanup.

At a community meeting held in April, residents raised concerns regarding the development being able to meet the existing neighborhood’s CC&Rs, parking, and the appearance of the homes. Lazzarini says DAL is planning to incorporate elements of the neighborhood’s CC&Rs into their planning.

“We are looking forward to working with the neighborhood to bring consistency,” he says. “We have eight visitor parking spaces onsite and each home includes an enclosed 2-car garage. There will not be any RV storage permitted.”

Lazzarini respects that the home owner’s association works to maintain the visual appearance of the neighborhood. “We want to engage with this as well,” he says, “and

these homes will be part of that community. We’re being careful about presenting architecture that we think will be appealing to the neighborhood and so far we are getting positive feedback on that.”

The project also requires attaining necessary permits. Agency reviews are required from the Army Corps of Engineers, Regional Water Quality Control Board, State and Federal Fish and Wildlife, the State Department of Substance Control, Santa Clara Valley Habitat Conservation Agency and the City of San Jose. Given the length of this process, Lazzarini hopes to begin construction in the spring of 2016. Demolition and cleanup could occur as early as this summer.

Former Shell Station property

According to Denelle Fedor, Council Assistant to Councilmember Johnny Khamis, an applicant has requested rezoning the former Shell Station property at 16601 Almaden Expressway and Redmond Ave. to Commercial in the hopes of opening Kiddie Academy, an education-based childcare center at the site. He is planning for an enrollment of up to 168 students at the 10,625 sq. ft. facility. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is required to test the soil for any leakage of oil or gas from the former gas station.

Vacant Parcel at the corner of Almaden Expwy and Coleman Ave.

Councilmember Johnny Khamis would like to prevent building on the property located on the corner of Almaden Expressway and Coleman Ave., across from Almaden Lake Park. It is his hope that the Santa Clara Valley Water District, which borders the property, will purchase the land and asks the community to email the Water District’s Board of Directors at:

board@valleywater.org asking them to safeguard it from future development.

Fedor says the Housing Department purchased the property 13 years ago with the intention of building 27 townhomes. In addition to being a riparian corridor, the land might face some EIR issues as she recalls her family bringing their cars for repair to a mechanic shop on the site in the 1970’s and 80’s.

Almaden Via Valiente Plaza Shopping Center

Since PW Market closed in 2010, neighbors have been hoping for a replacement. “We do have a grocery store that we’re negotiating with but we can’t announce any names yet,” says Mark Biagini, Vice President of Biagini Properties, which manages the center. “I’d like to see it as soon as possible.”

Although they get inquiries all the time, he says the owner of 30 years is not interested in selling the shopping center.

The Center was remodel in 2013 and again about six months ago. Although there are currently three vacancies, including UnWined’s former site, they signed a lease with Tulip Kids Academy, an after school learning center which is currently under construction. Dr. Phan, an orthodontist who was raised in Almaden, also recently signed a lease and plans to open in a couple of months.

Champ Farmer’s Market, which is certified organic, takes place on Wednesdays from 10 am to 3 pm and Sundays from 9 am to 3 pm, featuring fruits, vegetables, flowers, jewelry, crafts, Mexican food, snow cones, kettle corn, baked goods, and live music.

“We have a good team on the project,” says Biagini, “and things are looking good.”

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Speech

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tions as well as qualify students to attend the State Tournament.

“We’re very excited about the results of this year’s tournaments,” said Gay Brasher, Leland Speech and Debate teacher and coach. “The students have always worked hard preparing for tournaments throughout the school year, said Brasher.

Leland’s three state champions are: Ann-Kathrin Merz in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, the team of Ali-Asghar Heera and Catherine Gao in Parliamentary Debate, and the team of Neil Bhagat and Matthew Basanty in Duo I? There are only three schools in Santa Clara County that ranked in the sweepstakes awards for the top 20 teams in the tournament: first place, Leland; third place, Bellarmine; and fifth place Archbishop Mitty.

“We’ve also won the second place state team award for the past three years and we’re also very proud of this achievement,” she said.

Brasher said the competitive season runs from September until the middle of June, and then they start preparing for the next school year. “It is a year round activity,” she said.

Off-campus speech and debate coaches that traveled with the team to the tournament are: Stacy Dawson and Leland Speech and Debate alums, Julian Crown, Layla Forooghi, Gina Giovannetti, and Dustin Tao.

Leland also won debate team awards this year at Santa Clara University (first place), Stanford Invitational (second), James Logan Martin Luther King Invitational (second) and Cal Invitational (fifth).

Leland students that won awards at the state tournament are:

Ann-Kathrin Merz State Champion Lincoln Douglas (LD)

Ali Heera and Cathy Gao State Champions of Parliamentary Debate

Neil Bhagat and Matthew Basanty State Champions of Duo Interpretation

Cameron Loftis 3rd Place LD

Artiom Arutiunov 4th Place National Extemporaneous

Anirvin Sikha 4th Place Original Oratory

Aayush Kumar 4th Place Humorous Interpretation

Aarthi Venkat 6th Place Oratorical Interpretation

David Webb 6th Place Original Oratory

Cameron Loftis 7th Place National Extemporaneous

Stacy Liu 8th Place LD

Akhil Kestur 8th Place LD

Sujin Jeong 9th Place Original Poetry and Prose (OPP)

Arushi Desai 10th Place OPP

Ivana Pham 11th Place Thematic Interpretation (TI)

Amelia Hanney 12th Place TI

Ann-Kathrin Merz 12th Place International Extemporaneous

Sonya Huang 13th Place LD

Sandhya Iyer 13th Place Oratorical Interpretation

Alex Luo 14th Place International Extemporaneous

Alice Young 14th Place Expository Speaking

Chuck Tang 16th Place Impromptu

Elizabeth Kim 17th Place Original Poetry and Prose (OPP)

Sweepstakes results

20th Place: Mission San Jose

19th Place: South San Francisco

18th Place: West High School

17th Place: Torrey Pines High School

16th Place: Schurr High School

15th Place: Campbell Hall

14th Place: Helix Charter High School

13th Place: El Cerrito High School

12th Place: Clovis North High School

11th Place: Monroe High School

10th Place: Monte Vista High School

9th Place: Carlsbad High School

8th Place: Chaminade College Prep

7th Place: Dougherty Valley High School

6th Place: Miramonte High School

5th Place: Archbishop Mitty High School

4th Place: James Logan High School

3rd Place: Bellarmine College Prep

2nd Place: Gabrielino High School

1st Place: Leland High School

The next scheduled SHSSA State tournament will be held in the Bay Area on April 14-16, 2016.

Process of getting to the CHSSA State Tournament:

Students compete in the local league for the state-qualifying tournament. The top seven students in each of the twelve speech events at the state-qualifying speech tournament and the top ranked debaters, based on wins and losses, at the debate state-qualifying tournament move on to the state tournament top ranked student congress speakers and presiding officer at the state-qualifying congress.

State Tournament Structure:

Debate eliminations process (double elimination – if lose two rounds eliminated) and the top 20 go into single-elimination bracket (double-octofinals) Speech tournament structure includes three preliminary rounds, semifinals, and finals.

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Every student will participate in communication activities which promote self-worth and self-esteem.

Every student will develop the critical and analytical thinking skills necessary for academic success.

Every student will develop the skills necessary for success in a competitive environment.

Every student will develop the interpersonal skills necessary for productive employment.

Every student will develop the oral communication skills necessary for effective public presentations.

Every student will develop the listening skills necessary for reaching informed decisions.

Every student will develop skills necessary for the peaceful resolution of conflict.

Every student will develop interpersonal skills necessary for establishing understanding among members of a diverse society.

Every student will develop the communication skills necessary for effective and active participation in a democratic society.

Every student will demonstrate ethical responsibility in the acquisition and practice of communication skills.



2015 CHSSA State Tournament Leland team and coaches



Leland Lincoln-Douglas Debate State Qualifying Tournament team; from left to right: **Madhukar Muralidhara, Akhil Kestur, Alice Zhang, Cameron Loftis, Ann-Kathrin Merz, Stacy Liu, Sonya Huang**



Above: Leland speech State Qualifying Tournament state qualifiers

Back row (left to right): **Matthew Basanty, Neil Bhagat, Aayush Kumar, Dustin Tao** (impromptu coach)
Middle row: **David Webb, Sandhya Iyer, Alison Sir, Arushi Desai, Sujin Jeong, Gay Brasher** (teacher/director), **Siddharth Venkateswaran, Nitish Verma, Aarthi Venkat**

Front row: **Elizabeth Minjoo Kim, Anirvin Sikha, Charles Tang, Hannah Juang, Ann-Kathrin Merz, Chris Wardner** (extemporaneous speaking coach).

At right: Lincoln-Douglas Debate State Tournament team; from left to right: **Chris Wardner** (LD coach), **Cameron Loftis, Ann-Kathrin Merz, Sonya Huang, Stacy Liu, Akhil Kestur.**



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Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day 2015

The Santa Clara County employees had a lot of extra help on Thursday, April 23, 2015, as children entered the workforce for a day to get first-hand lessons on what happens at the County

Government Center in San Jose. Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day also featured a presentation of a resolution by Board President **Dave Cortese**, a dance-a-long warmup in the Board Chambers and activities for children. Supervisor Cortese was joined in the presentation by Supervisor **Cindy Chavez**, top row, left, and Supervisor **Mike Wasserman**, top row, right.

Almaden Lake Park to host 'Fourth of July Celebration'

While it may seem a bit early, San Jose Council District 10 staff is beginning to organize its second annual Fourth of July Family Fun Festival.

And once again, it will be held at Almaden Lake Park on Independence Day from 2 to 10 p.m., and everyone is invited to attend.

Families can walk or bike to the park, bring blankets and enjoy the lake, the park and nature. The fireworks start after dark and will last nearly 30 minutes.

To keep the event as fun and exciting as it was last year, staff is asking for volunteers of all ages. Although a few already have signed up, the staff will need at least 50 people to help.

San Jose Councilman Johnny Khamis' staff will be available to help all volunteers get the information and training necessary for each job. High school students will receive credit for their community service requirements.

Most important for the day is sponsorship. The office is seeking big and small donations to pay for the fireworks show. So far, Signature Flight, Yellow Checker Cab and Naprotek have contributed, and individuals have made smaller donations, according to Rayshelle Edmunds, a District 10 office employee.

"I hope to get as many sponsors as possible because I don't want to use any taxpayer funds," Khamis said. "I'm very excited to continue the District 10 Family Fun Fireworks Festival. It is important to recognize and celebrate the unity of being an American with family, friends and our overall community every day, but especially on July 4."

All of the money goes through the Almaden Valley Women's Club, which is acting as the event's fiscal agent. All donations are tax deductible.

Nonprofits throughout San Jose are invited to set up information booths. Volunteers are needed to help set up and take down tents, tables and stages. There also will be shifts for those who like to tell people where

to park.

Local food and business vendors are invited to set up their wares. No food trucks are invited this year because of strict city regulations. Interested vendors should call Khamis' office.

Staff hopes to provide volunteers to check attendants' coolers and bags to ensure there is no alcohol in the city park. People also are asked not to bring pets and urged to pick up trash during and after the event.

To volunteer, contact Edmunds at Rayshelle.edmunds@sanjoseca.gov or Denelle Fedor at denelle.fedor@sanjoseca.gov or call the office at 408.535.4910.

National Bike to Work Day coming on May 14

The Bike to Work Day is a community event that encourages local residents to try bicycling as their mode of transportation to help relieve traffic congestion and curb motor vehicle emissions on May 14.

In the Bay Area, more than one million people commuting to work live fewer than five miles away from their jobs, making biking an easy alternative. Riders of all levels can take part in Bike to Work Day. There will be energizer stations throughout the County.

Register and pledge to ride at the official Bay Area Bike to Work Day website youcanbikethere.com to be eligible to win prizes and nominate someone you know as Bike Commuter of the Year.



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