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New mayor presents upbeat State of the City address

By Jeanne C. Carbone
Managing Editor

More than 1,500 residents attended Mayor Sam Liccardo's State of the City address held at Independence High School on March 14. They were enthusiastic and his upbeat positive message of the future of San Jose was well received.

The address was a first on many levels—the first State of the City address for Mayor Liccardo and the first time that the event was held on Saturday so that more residents and their families could attend. His speech was

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Mikey Minutillo signs to play soccer in Europe

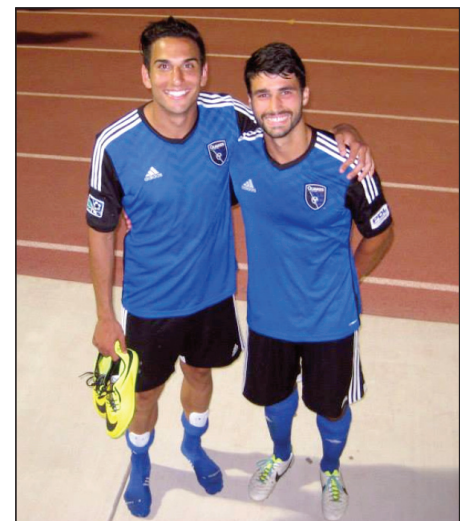
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From the time Mikey Minutillo started playing at the Almaden Valley Youth Soccer League at age four, he dreamed of playing pro ball.

That dream has come true. Minutillo, 23, recently signed his first professional contract with the European club 07 Vestur in Denmark [one of 18 islands part of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Faroe Islands' Premier League], 6,000 miles away from where he started playing soccer.

But it didn't happen overnight. Born and raised in Almaden, Minutillo played soccer at AVYSL, then on to the U.S. Soccer Academy as a youth player. He played Division 1 college soccer at Penn State University where he completed his education and his amateur soccer career.

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Mikey Minutillo and teammate **Dylan Serrano** are all smiles after a game.

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Nisei Project host hopes to repeat past success

By Jeanne C. Carbone
Special to the Times

Last year, Pioneer sophomore Chris Takeuchi collected more than 2,000 books and \$700 donated to Anne Darling Elementary School for his Nisei project in honor of his grandparents. As a result, he was the recipient of the Jefferson Award for outstanding service in 2014.

Chris, now a junior, was compelled by his success to organize another Book Drive event. The school that he is working with is Empire Gardens Elementary School.

"The Nisei Project is in honor my Grandpa's and late Grandma's (Roy and Phyllis Takeuchi) years of service in education and acknowledging their status as second generation Japanese-American Citizens (Nisei)," says Chris. "I'll be collecting K-eighth-grade level books from our local community and collecting financial donations that I can use towards purchasing new books."

Students at Pioneer High are required to do a community service project that tries to help solve a world problem. Chris project focuses on the problem of Lack of Education and provides books for students to enjoy the joy of reading.

Once collected, Chris will hold a Nisei Book Donation event to distribute them to Empire Gardens School' teachers to replenish and restock their classroom libraries. "In turn, this will allow students to select books to take home and own," says Chris.

Chris has also started a GoFundme page. All money raised will go directly to the teachers of Empire Gardens for classroom supplies. Visit <http://www.gofundme.com/niseiproject> or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1527080057516280/>.



The Nisei Project Book Drive honors grandparents **Roy and Phyllis Takeuchi**. Photo courtesy Michelle E. Takeuchi



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Mailbox



Umunhum Conservancy needs your help

Editor,

Please come to the April 16 meeting of the Santa Clara County Historical Heritage Commission and ask them to put the Tower atop Mt. Umunhum on the County's Heritage Resource Inventory.

The Conservancy is working to preserve the Tower. Its owner, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, will demolish it unless we raise \$1.5 million before October 2017. Thanks to you, we have already raised 20 percent of that goal. Working together, I am confident that we will raise the rest of the funds we need.

If the Tower is officially declared "historic" then it will be more difficult to demolish. The county recognizes two levels of historic structures. The most protected ones are Historic Landmarks; we hope the Tower can achieve that status. However, that process will take some time - and since the Tower's owner would have to agree success is far from certain.

In the meantime we hope to secure some interim protection for the Tower by getting it listed in the County's Heritage Resource Inventory. While not as

valuable as Landmark status, being designated as a Historic Resource will help protect the Tower from demolition.

If you support preserving the Tower, please come and speak at the Historic Heritage Commission meeting on April 16! The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors chambers on the first floor of 70 West Hedding St. in San Jose. The Commission will vote on whether to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors include the Tower on the Heritage Resource Inventory.

Even with historic status, the Tower will still need repair. The funds for its preservation must still be raised. But protecting the Tower from demolition will be an important first step. Please come tell the Commission how much the Tower means to our community.

Sam Drake

President, Umunhum Conservancy
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Leland mourns teen athlete

By Jeanne C. Carbone
Managing Editor

Tragedy struck Leland High School junior Tristan Alejo Nguyen, 16, when he collapsed on a warmup jog with other members of the track and field team on March 16.

CPR was performed and 911 was called. Tristan later died at a nearby hospital the same day.

"He was dearly loved by his teachers, friends, and coaches," was posted on Leland's website. "He was a good student and a talented athlete who represented Leland in football and track and field. Most importantly, he was kind, generous, and friendly."

Tristan was a defensive line on Leland's varsity football team and was a shot-put and discus thrower in track and field. In his freshman year he made the junior varsity football team. He also had a black belt in karate. Tristan was also an honor student. He was born Nov. 11, 1968.

Students took to social media to express their condolences for Tristan and his family who was well-liked and known for his infectious smile and described as a good student and a generous person. The next day Leland students wore black in remembrance of the 11th-grade athlete. A candlelight vigil was also held for Tristan at the Pat Tillman



Stadium Tuesday night. Leland administrators called in crisis counselors to help students with their grief of losing their classmate.

A service and mass was held at Lima-Campagna-Alameda Mission Chapel on March 22, and at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on March 23.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Tristan to: Tristan Nguyen Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o Leland Athletic Booster Club, 6677 Camden Ave., San Jose, CA. 95120 or Sacred Heart Community Center, 1381 First St., San Jose, CA 95110.

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Top honors

Councilmember **Johnny Khamis** (fourth from right) and Mayor **Sam Liccardo** (far right) honored the Leland High School Computer Science teachers and students for bringing computer science education to their school at State of the City held at Independence High on March 14.



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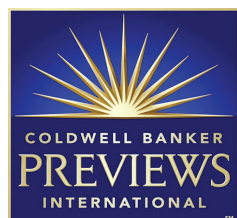
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Above: **Mikey Minutillo** (back row second from right), age 11, played for AVYSL Almaden Ruckus in 2002. At right: The dream of playing pro soccer has come true for **Mikey Minutillo**. Photo courtesy Dan Minutillo



Minutillo

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"I'm so proud of Mikey because it has been quite a journey for him to get to this point," said Penn State college coach Bob Warming. "Mikey had trust that we would help him develop."

And succeed he did. Mikey developed into one of the top forwards in the Big 10 conference playing for Penn State against teams like Maryland, Indiana, Ohio State and Michigan. Serendipitously, Coach Warming also coached Mikey's older brother

Danny, now an attorney and also an AVYSL soccer player, at Division 1 Creighton University in Omaha.

During Mikey's college soccer career, he was named Rookie of the Year, Big 10 Player to Watch, and held most points for goals and assists. Mikey has wanted to play professional soccer since he was a young player for the AVYSL and attended Graystone, Holy Spirit schools and Bellarmine.

Mikey started playing as a 4-year-old for the AVYSL on a U6 team and continued with the League until the U.S. Soccer Academy offered him a spot. Mikey, now standing about 6'3", had always been one of the bigger players on the team even when he played up for the AVYSL.

"In Mikey's younger playing years, [we] had to carry around a copy of his birth certificate because referees and parents on the other team would complain about his size and question his age," says proud father Dan Minutillo. "Mikey played forward or attacking midfielder for the AVYSL, as he did in college."

Born, raised and coached in Almaden, Mikey now spends more than 17 hours and 4,600 miles in the air to play professional soccer with 07 Vestur—and that's just a one-way trip.

"Though English is not the first language here, everyone has gone out of their way to make me feel comfortable," says Mikey. "My teammates have treated me like family. I've already made a few friends and, even though soccer is very fast paced here, I've scored goals in our pre-season games as a starting forward. I'm so grateful to everyone at the AVYSL for teaching me the importance of foot skills and fast play as a young soccer player. The AVYSL, followed by my college coach, Bob Warming, really helped me realize my lifelong dream to become a professional soccer player."



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Mayor

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peppered with enthusiastic applause, a welcome change from the last few years when the city was in upheaval due to pension reform. His focus was on the future and he paid tribute to the East Side where generations of families have lived before the vast orchards that covered the valley turned into suburbs.

Safer city

Mayor Liccardo laid out his plans for San Jose focusing on a safer city. He acknowledged that the police officers are “stretched perilously thin” but still managed “to reduce crime in the past two years ... He said that felony property and violent crime rates are now lower” than when he was elected councilmember in 2006. And that according to the FBI, San Jose has the lowest rate of violent crime of any major city in the U.S. The Mayor and council are committed to “adding hundreds of officers in the next half-decade with better compensation to boost hiring and retention. There’s only one path to get there ... negotiation.” He urged all employee unions to work together with the city.

He discussed the security camera registry that enables police access to solve crimes. Another 28 community service officers will be hired to respond to take reports, collect evidence and lift fingerprints. “...better lighting deters crime,” said Liccardo. The city will replace 18,000 yellow sodium streetlights on the south and east sides of San Jose, making for brighter, safer neighborhoods while saving money with energy-efficient LED lighting. The city will deploy analytics software to improve the deployment of officers to crime hot spots.

Liccardo said that in the past eight months, 108 arrests were made by officers in the Southern Division and more than half were juveniles. The city will aim to reduce “high school truancy—tracking students who cut class and holding them and their parents accountable.”

One million dollars will be invested through the Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force for summer jobs for at-risk teens in high-crime neighborhoods, matching the county's commitment. With support from companies such as Microsoft, Target and Lowe's, “we can give hundreds of teens their first paycheck,” said Liccardo. “We'll help our teens build resumes rather than rap sheets.”

Broadening prosperity

“...the second dimension of San Jose's renewal: Broadening our valley's prosperity for many struggling families ...” said Liccardo.

The statistics were hard to hear but “62 percent of San Jose's high school students—and a higher percentage of our Latino students—do not graduate meeting the admission requirements for a state university,” he said.

Education is the key. Libraries have been open only four days a week and now will expand to six days a week. The Mayor and the Silicon Valley Leadership Group have a goal for 1,000 students tutored by the valley's workforce through programs like Reading Partners. The city will expand after-school programs in the neediest neighborhoods starting this fall.

Homeless

The city will pledge \$3.5 million from this year's budget for encampment response and rehousing the homeless quickly by creating RV parking lots, converting motels and building micro housing. The San Jose Gateways pilot program will be expanded engaging local companies to sponsor entrances to the city with the homeless cleaning and beautifying the streets under San Jose Streets Team management in exchange for housing, vouchers and job training. Already Ernst & Young, Pinger, SunPower, TiVo, Wells Fargo and Xilinx have committed to the program.

“We are San Jose,” said Liccardo echoing the



Mayor **Sam Liccardo** presented his first State of the City address at Independence High School on March 14. Photo by Jeanne Carbone

mantra for the day. “And we'll show the world that when innovation meets compassion, we can lift an entire city.”

Manufacturing and jobs

The mayor wants to reach out to manufacturing companies such as Vander-Bend Manufacturing who opened a few weeks ago and employed 500 workers thus allowing for more middle-class job opportunities. He wants to simplify the challenges employers experience in finding sites, space and skills to grow and “preserve thousands of blue-collar jobs by protecting industrial land from conversion by housing developers.”

“Although Forbes ranked San Jose as the happiest place in the nation to work, we can do more to make San Jose a happier place for employers,” said Liccardo. He plans to reduce delays in permit approvals for small businesses and ensure that immigrant entrepreneurs have access to permitting assistance in multiple languages.”

BART

With VTA's completion of the Bay Area's first bus rapid-transit system connecting East Side and downtown, with plans to expand westward in the future.

Power of partnerships

“All of this, of course, requires collaboration,” said Liccardo. Through the past few years, city employees have had layoffs, pay cuts and pension reform leaving the city with a third less workers. “We owe them our gratitude.”

Partnerships that are powering the city are Hainan Airlines direct flights to San Jose from China, and securing hundreds of new jobs. Religious leaders and nonprofits teamed with the Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force to reduce gang recruitment. Thirty new tech companies moved into downtown last year, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has begun construction. The Rotary Club has opened a play garden at the Guadalupe River Park, the region's largest accessible park for children with physical limitations. And the San Jose Earthquakes' opening day will be at a world-class stadium.

The mayor quoted Martin Luther King, Jr.: “Everyone of us can be great because anybody can serve.”

Liccardo urged everyone to volunteer and serve the city whether tutoring a student for an hour, volunteering for a neighborhood cleanup, or by offering a teen a summer job with your company.

“Find your passion, sign up and serve.

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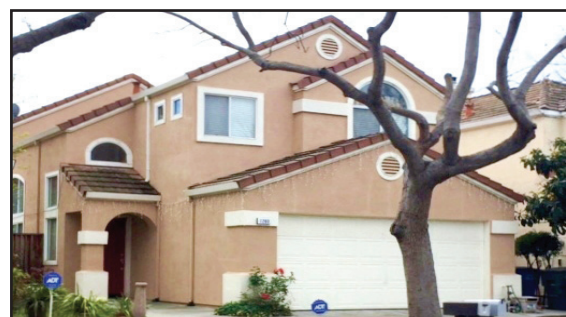
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Times **Community News**

Times Managing Editor bids a fond farewell

By **Jeanne C. Carbone**
Managing Editor

"Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."—John F. Kennedy

The only constant in life is change. And for me that time is now. I will be leaving Times Media, Inc. to pursue the next chapter of my life.

I started writing for the Times Media in 2003 after an introduction from a mentor to former Executive Editor Julie Davis Berry. I covered the people and stories for all the newspapers and immediately became hooked on community news. In 2007, I became the editor for the *Campbell Times*. Then in 2009, I took the helm of the *Evergreen* and *Almaden* papers as managing editor and where I have remained.

Change is always bittersweet. I will miss the news business, and meeting the people of the community and all that they do. The individuals, organizations, neighborhood groups and schools who are the Almaden community strive to create a better place to live and raise their families. I've met many of you through the years and I'm better for it. I've watched your children grow up and achieve their goals. I've covered the loss of loved ones and mourned them with you for their contributions to the community and

their families. You are the fabric of Almaden and it has been my pleasure to write about your triumphs and tragedies. I am also proud to call some of you my friends.

I covered the city news through some very hard times. The Great Recession and the city employee upheaval over pension reform come to mind. As a San Jose native, I am confident that our city leaders will continue the upward mobility that our residents deserve. They are a hardworking group, committed to serve the residents and make San Jose a world-class city.

And for the dedicated Times' staff I have worked with past and present: Thank you for your insights, assistance and sense of humor through deadlines and computer glitches.

As for myself, there are several projects that I now have the time to work on. Change is hard sometimes, but with no risk, there are no rewards. I look forward to the next chapter in my life. And thanks for the memories. — Photo by ShaRon Haugen



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Times **Community News****SCHOOLS**

Los Alamitos PTA Golf Tournament to raises funds for S.M.A.R.T programs

Golfers will tee up on Thursday, April 30, 2015 in a fundraising golf tournament to benefit the Los Alamitos Elementary School S.M.A.R.T Programs (Science, Music, Art, Reading & Technology.)

This will be the first PTA Golf Tournament for Los Alamitos and the co-chairs are very pleased with the community's response so far.

"Just in the first few weeks of talking about this tournament we have had many parents and community members sign up to play and/or sponsor this amazing event!" said Tournament Co-Chair Allison Riche. "We are truly thankful for the participation and support shown by not only the families with children at Los Alamitos but our Almaden community as well! We are looking forward to a wonderful day on the course to raise money for these imperative programs for our kids."

The tournament will be held at Cinnabar Hills Golf Course in Almaden on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

The Los Alamitos PTA would like people to know that everyone is welcome to come out and join in raising money for their S.M.A.R.T Programs and that you do not have to be affiliated with the school to participate in, or sponsor, the event.

The tournament fee is \$180 per golfer and includes green fees, cart, range balls, unlimited beverages on the course, dinner, awards and Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive Contests. There will also be a raffle and an optional putting contest. This is a co-ed, shotgun style tournament with a scramble format. You do not have to be a great golfer to participate- all levels are welcome! Registration starts at 11 a.m., Putting Contest starts at 12 p.m., and tee off is at 1 p.m.

Spouses, friends, or family members that won't be golfing that day can still join the event with a "Dinner Only" option. A Dinner Only ticket is \$50 per person and

includes dinner, awards and participation in our raffle. This is an adult only event.

How can *you* help? Tournament co-chairs are looking for tournament sponsors, raffle prize donations and golfers. There are multiple ways to support the Los Alamitos PTA Golf Tournament whether it's via sponsorship, raffle prizes, golfer gift bag donations or monetary donations. Please contact the Tournament Co-Chairs Aaron or Allison Riche for more information or to sign-up at ariche@sbcglobal.net.



Sharks donate to Gifts for Teens

Gifts for Teens is thrilled to be the recipients of a prestigious grant from the San Jose Sharks Foundation. The Sharks have awarded \$24,300 to buy new shoes for 1,300 homeless and low-income local teenagers. The teens will enjoy having stylish

shoes rather than wearing used hand-me-downs.

"Teens will select shoes of their choice at Payless ShoeSource stores," says Gifts for Teens Founder **Elaine Benoit** accepting the check at a February Sharks soccer game. "They love making their personal choices."

For more information visit www.gifts4teens.org.

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Times Local News

Assistance League of SJ & Bloomsters presents “Floral Fantasy” April 23

Kren Rasmussen of Bloomsters will demonstrate his unique and creative flower arrangement techniques at the Assistance League of San Jose’s bi-annual Floral Fantasy fundraiser.

The fundraiser is Assistance League’s major event of the year. The funds raised are used to perform much needed services for children and senior citizens in the community.

The elegant Champaign Brunch will be held on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at the scenic Cinnabar Hills Golf Club. Admission tickets for the brunch and floral demonstration can be purchased by going to the organization’s website at <http://www.alsj.org>. Regular admission is \$75. Packaged options are

also available. The deadline to purchase tickets is April 9. Donations in excess of \$30 per person are tax deductible.

All of Kren’s lovely arrangements will be raffled off at the end of his demonstration along with quilts donated by Karen Traiger, a premier quilt maker. Kren and the Assistance League of San Jose are collaborating to make this event an elegant and majestic gala for everyone attending.

Wildflower Scavenger Hunt April 4

Join the Friends of the New Almaden Quicksilver County Park Association on a wildflower scavenger hunt through various stations along the Wood Road Trail. Meet at the Wood Road Parking lot on April 4 at 12 p.m. until 3 p.m. Please register online at http://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/Pages/calender.aspx?utm_source=March+2015&utm_campaign=March+2015+E-Blast&utm_medium=email or call (408) 355-2201.

For information call Lion Lois Ferber at (408) 268-6739.

Lions want your used eye glasses

Almaden Super Lions have joined “Lion Eyes Across California” the last week in March. Residents are encouraged to bring their used eyeglasses to the Almaden Community Center on Camden Avenue and leave them in the Lions “Recycle Sight” box.

The used glasses are sent to Vallejo for prescription reading and then sent to countries outside the U.S. for distribution by local Lions to people in need.

The community is also invited to bring their glasses to the March 25 Lions breakfast meeting at 7 a.m. at Denny’s Restaurant on Hillsdale Avenue.

For information call Lion Lois Ferber at (408) 268-6739.

Teens: Build resumes, not rap sheets

On March 11, Mayor Sam Liccardo, Supervisor Cindy Chavez, and Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco joined with Target and Lowe’s to announce the retailers’ commitments to hire local youth who face barriers to employment this summer. The retailers are the first corporations to sign up with the work2future Summer Youth Employment Initiative.

“I want to thank Target and Loews for believing in San Jose youth,” Mayor Liccardo said. “We want our teens to build resumes, not rap sheets. We know that the best deterrent to involvement in crime and gangs is a job and a paycheck.”

“We need to help get these kids off the streets and into a career

path,” said Supervisor Cindy Chavez. “We know from first-hand experience that increasing job opportunities decreases the incidence of high-risk behaviors.”

Lowe’s has committed to hiring 100 youth at Santa Clara County locations this summer. Target will be hiring at least 50 young people in the county. Both companies have committed to placing youth who would traditionally have a hard time finding employment. The majority of the youth will live in neighborhoods identified as hot-spots for crime and gang activity.

Despite a growing regional economy, San Jose’s youth unemployment rate continues to hover above 20 percent. This summer jobs effort is a first step in taking aim at this problem. Mayor Liccardo has launched SJ Works initiative to develop longer-term solutions to address the intertwined challenges of economic disparity and public safety.

The mayor also will be proposing \$1 million in additional funds in his March budget message (released March 16). These funds will match Santa Clara County’s funding for jobs this summer for at least 500 at-risk youth, ages 16-21, with a priority on foster youth.

The announcement was made at the Target store at King and Story roads in East San Jose, a neighborhood that has undergone transformation since the City’s former redevelopment agency invested in and helped locate the store and other retail there.

“We look forward to helping more San Jose young people get started with their careers,” said Benny Boveda, district manager for the South Bay for Target Corporation. “Whether they continue in retail or in other paths, we are proud to partner with the city and county to help youth connect with the work world.”

Through the work2future Summer Youth Employment Initiative, youth will have access to occupational skills training, career advising, leadership development and community service activities, supportive services, access to computer labs, job fairs, internships leading to employment, and/or connections to post-secondary education. The initiative is a partnership between the City of San José and Santa Clara County and private partners like Target and Lowe’s.

“I want to thank Target and Loews for believing in San Jose youth,” Mayor Liccardo said.



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April 4 It's 'April in Paris' at Big Band Bash

The Almaden Senior Association will be hosting a dinner dance with the theme "April in Paris" on Saturday, April 4, at the Almaden Community Center. The festivities begin at 2 p.m., and will feature a delicious dinner, raffles, and will feature live music with a multi piece band **The Sons of Jubal** playing tunes that will get you up and dancing! Join in celebrating springtime with big band music and a merry afternoon of socializing. Tickets will go on sale Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only on March 18, 20, 23, 25 and 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 -10 a.m. at the Senior Sales ticket table located in the lobby of the Community Center. Prices are: \$10 for members and \$12.00 for non-members. See you there!



Ongoing

The Chinese Historical Society of America (CHSA) is pleased to announce two new exhibitions, **"The Forgotten Art of Lion Dance Puzzles"** and **"From Manchu to China Chic: the Evolution of the Qipao."** They were unveiled on Saturday, March 7th during our Lunar New Year celebration. People enjoying Lunar New Year festivities visited the museum to enjoy our new offerings.

"The Forgotten Art of Lion Dance Puzzles" is curated by Corey Chan and is based on his forthcoming book about the subject. These puzzles are physical and mental challenges reserved for special occasions, such as the opening of a new business or blessings for newly wedded couples. Chan says they are "entertaining performances which underline our universal human desires to live happier lives."

Performed by lion dancers for centuries, this tradition is currently on a decline, making it a "forgotten art." Lion dance puzzles take time and knowledge of martial arts, but younger generations are only being taught the competitive form of the dance. The exhibition is currently held at the Choy Gallery, featuring artful arrangements of lion dance puzzles using items such as

oranges, vases, and bowls. "Kei Lun Lion Dancers Find New Meaning in Ancient Steps," a KQED video plays on a loop, serving as an introduction to Chan and lion dancing.

"From Manchu to China Chic: the Evolution of the Qipao" is curated by Sally Yu Leung. The qipao (mandarin gown or cheongsam) has a hybrid design combining elements from Han Chinese, Manchu and Western clothing. The exhibition features dresses, old posters, and accessories on loan from private collections spanning 1890s to 2000s. Visitors will see the qipao's evolution: from when it was fashionable to socialites, to being a symbol of a bourgeois lifestyle, eventually becoming a cultural icon. Stay tuned at www.chsa.org for exhibition dates of this three-part series.

Visit the CHSA Museum located at 965 Clay Street between Stockton and Powell Streets to view the exhibits. For more information, visit www.chsa.org.

April 18-19

Adult and Youth Choirs Celebrate "The Joy of Song": The Mission Peak Chamber Singers, directed by Michael Morris, are pleased to announce their upcoming concert "The Joy of Song" to be performed with the Immaculate Heart of Mary Youth Choir from the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Brentwood. Eduardo Magistrado is the director of the IHM Children's Choir.

"The Joy of Song" is a lead-up for separate 2105 European performance tours by both Choirs and features works from both tour programs. The choirs will perform works by such composers as Beethoven, Randall Thompson,

Aaron Copeland and local composer Henry Mollicone. MPSC will also present the World Premiere performance of a new work by another local composer, Lothar Bandermann. The combined choirs will sing a few selections including "Hope for Resolution – A Song for Mandela and de Klerk".

The MPSC are commemorating their second season as an independent chamber choir with an International Tour to Ireland and Wales in July 2015 where they will perform in Chester, York, and Dublin. MPSC will also perform a joint concert with the Penrhyn Male Choir in Wales.

The IHM Youth Choir will travel to Rome and the Vatican in December 2015 to participate in the 40th International Congress of Pueri Cantores. The Youth Choir was chosen to sing for the auspicious event during which they will perform for Pope Francis.

The "Joy of Song" Concerts will be performed on Saturday, April 18, at 1:30 p.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 500 Fairview Ave, Brentwood, CA, and Sunday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. at Mission San Jose, 43300 Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539.

For more information and to purchase tickets please visit our website www.ChamberSingers.org or call Michael Morris at 408-655-1512.

May 1

Silicon Valley CTE Seeks Exhibitors for 11th Annual Custom & Classic Car Show
Benefit: Mark your calendars for Silicon Valley Career Technical Education's (SVCTE) 11th Annual Custom and Classic Car Show, benefiting SVCTE's SkillsUSA Club on

May 1, from 5-8:30 pm, at 760 Hillsdale Avenue, San Jose.

A \$20 tax deductible donation/fee is all it takes to exhibit a custom, classic or vintage car, truck, motorcycle or bicycle in the SVCTE's auto show. Exhibitors will also receive one free meal. Pre-registration is not available. Exhibitors pay at the gate on the night of the event.

More than 1,000 spectators attend the annual event each year and this year SVCTE hopes to top more than 300 entries. All proceeds go directly to support students competing in annual SkillsUSA regional, state, and national competitions. Spaghetti and soft drinks will be available for purchase by spectators. Spectators' admission to the car show is free. No pets please.

SkillsUSA is a national organization for Career Technical Education (CTE) students within trade, technical, industrial and health occupations. SkillsUSA provides educational experiences for students in leadership and teamwork and helps build self-confidence, professional work attitudes and communication skills. Many of SVCTE's SkillsUSA club members compete in annual SkillsUSA championships at the Regional, State, and National level.

MetroED provides career technical education and adult education programs to over 11,500 students in Santa Clara County. MetroED's programs include Silicon Valley Career Technical Education Center (SVCTE), formerly known as Central County Occupational Center (CCOC), and Silicon Valley Adult Education (SVAE), formerly known as the Metropolitan Adult Education Program (MAEP).

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Times **Feature**

New Family Justice Center under construction in San Jose

By **Jim Beall**
Special to the Times

Next year, the Santa Clara County Superior Court is scheduled to open a new Family Justice Center in downtown San Jose.

That the 20-courtroom facility is under construction today is testimony to the tenacity of our community. The campaign to acquire state funding to build the eight-story facility was conducted during a bleak period when California was slashing budgets. But a group of judges enlisted my help in Sacramento to save the new courthouse.

Why was it so important to get this courthouse built? The simple answer is that Santa Clara County had outgrown its court facilities.

The new Family Justice Center will house family law, juvenile, drug and mental health courts currently based in six leased facilities that are now obsolete.

A prime example is the cramped Notre Dame Avenue courthouse. “This former concrete warehouse was renovated for use as a courthouse,” a Judicial Council of California fact sheet said. “More than 100,700 people enter the overcrowded courthouse annually. The entry screening station is inadequate to serve the volume of visitors, resulting in long lines wrapping around the (exterior) of the building.”

By consolidating the buildings under a single roof, taxpayers will save as much as \$3 million annually by eliminating redundant services and lease costs.

But court officials say more savings will be gained by eliminating a disjointed delivery of court services separated by miles of geography.

The center is designed to be family friendly with a self-help center and a children’s waiting room with books and toys. It is a significant step-up in security and safety over the leased facilities because it will incorporate separate corridors for staff, public, and in-custody defendants. The building also

devotes spaces for families and attorneys to discuss sensitive matters in privacy.

That Santa Clara County was able to convince the state to fund the new courthouse was a remarkable feat considering it was financed during a period when 39 courthouses and 77 courtrooms statewide were being shut down because of recession-driven budget cuts.

The courthouse project had been on the drawing board for decades and was slated to receive state funding. But in 2012, funding for the project was suddenly in doubt. The funding had been cut from the state budget.

At that time, a delay in funding would have cast the fate of the Family Justice Center into a pot with 37 other competing

projects statewide that were competing for state funding, increasing the likelihood its chances for construction would be delayed and its costs greatly increased.

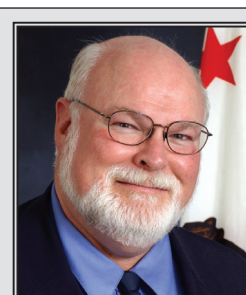
But, a coalition of civic leaders led by then-Presidenting Judge Richard Loftus and myself quickly started a drive to restore more than \$200 million in funding that had been omitted. We spoke to administrators and legislators in Sacramento, stressing the benefits of the project’s long-term cost-savings, efficiencies, and improvement in services.

Ultimately, we persuaded decision makers to approve funding for our new center.

Today, the courthouse – which has created over 1,500 craft and construction jobs – is rising from the ground at First and St. James streets.

At the ground-breaking in 2013, Judge Brian C. Walsh praised those who fought to make the new courthouse a reality. “Good leaders see clearly the needs of their community,” he said. “Great leaders not only see those needs, but persist to meet them regardless of temporary impediments.”

Jim Beall is the elected representative for the California State Senate’s 15th District. The district includes the cities of San Jose, Campbell, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno and Saratoga.



Assembly Report
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Times **Feature**

Half Dome looks as beautiful as ever at Yosemite National Park. Inset below: A lone coyote appears in daylight hours at Yosemite. *Photos by Frank Shortt*

Nature in turmoil

Yosemite displays climate changes

By Frank Shortt

Special to the Times

California is a land of change. When Atlantis sank, the western regions, known as the Pacific Coast, arose, and have been rising since.

Recent drought conditions have caused changes in nature not usually seen at this time of year. Is this due to Global Warming? New England, with six feet of snow, would beg to differ. Nevertheless, reality must be faced at some interval.

On a recent trip to Yosemite National Park, I saw firsthand the results of sparse rainfall, and almost no snow in the Sierra Mountains.

Entering the park, there were no snowbanks, bushes and trees were beginning to show evidence of an early spring by new buds that were almost bursting. The Sierra's snow is melting at volumes unheard of. The Merced River gushes forward, showing wonderful ripples and rapids. All the waterfalls in Yosemite are gushing at full speed ahead. Bridal Veil Falls has never looked fuller.

While viewing the falls at a distance, in broad daylight, a coyote appeared not fifty yards away. He strolled slowly past as if in a daze. With the nocturnal habits of coyotes, why he was out during the day? And why was he so tame? It was as if no humankind was even there. He made no attempt to avoid me and did not flee as was a coyote's usual habit.

The air was so clear that, even with a small digital camera, great photos of El Capitan, Sentinel Rock and Half Dome were possible. As monoliths, they remind one that we are only a small piece of the puzzle of nature.

Entering the Ahwahnee Hotel, one is taken back in time to the 1920s. Times were simpler and not many of lesser means were able to enjoy the amenities of a luxurious resort hotel. The greeting was very cordial and helpful: The staff make sure that one's stay was both comfortable and enjoyable. They said to make sure that no water, food, or hand cleaner was left in automobiles

overnight as bears, usually in hibernation at this time of year, could possibly do damage to vehicles as they meandered around at night. Another hazard of this unusual warm weather there.

The staff also said that between 4 and 5 p.m. there would be tea and sweets at the first floor lobby. This was made more enjoy-



able as strains of classical and big band songs permeated the entire area by means of piano. Later, at dinner in the huge dining area and the piano maestro happened to play, "Moon River," harkening another past time.

If one wants to know anything about the area of Yosemite, just go to the gift shop. On asking the girl there why the animals and birds, usually not present at this time of year, were still around, she said: "Due to the unusually high temperatures, lack of snow, and complete climatic changes, the birds have not migrated, the bears have not hibernated, and the other animals are a little confused as to what they should be doing." This explained the presence of the coyote in daylight hours just standing idly in the parking lot.

Leaving the park, the devastation left by the Yosemite fire is seen. Such waste of huge conifers. Animals habitats are no longer in existence. Surely, man has speeded his own demise as evidenced by his lack of care for nature. When will mankind wake up from this awful disdain of his own environment?

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April 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. – open house;
7:00 p.m. continue hearing in South County
April 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. – continued public hearing; hearing closes at conclusion
- Where:** April 14 and April 28, 2015
Santa Clara Valley Water District Board Room
5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118
- April 16, 2015
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The Santa Clara Valley Water District (water district) has prepared an annual report on the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies documenting financial and water supply information, which provides the basis for recommended groundwater production and surface water charges for fiscal year 2015/2016.

The report includes financial analyses of the water district's water utility system; supply and demand forecasts; future capital improvement, maintenance and operating requirements; and the method to finance such requirements.

The water district will hold a public hearing to obtain comments on the report, which will be available at the hearing.

Based upon findings and determinations from the public hearing, including the results of any protest procedure, the water district Board of Directors will decide whether or not groundwater production and surface water charges should be levied, and if so, at what level, in which zone or zones for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.

All operators of water-producing facilities within the water district or any person interested in the water district's activities with regard to protection and augmentation of the water supply may appear, in person or by representative, and submit comments regarding the subject.

For more information on the public hearing, please visit our website at www.valleywater.org, or contact **Darin Taylor** at (408) 630-3068.

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Times Feature

Trust for your animals may work for you

By Donald DeVries

Special to the Times

This week's question:

My husband and I just love animals and we have several of them at home. We are very concerned about their care after we are gone. Is any kind of a trust possible for our pets? How does that work? Is it legal? What if our children do not like it?

Kristie K.

Almaden Valley

You have emailed in some very interesting questions, Kristie. It is rather easy to see that you and your husband really care for your animals and want the best for them, not only now, but after you both are gone.

We in California are fortunate; it seems to me, to have a very nice law right on point for the care of animals. It will address many of the questions you have now and in the future.

That law is California Probate Code §15212. *Almaden Times* readers can very easily read this for themselves by going online and entering that provision in their browsers: California Probate Code Section 15212. It will be up on your screen in about a half-second.

That law is entitled, "Trust for Care of Animal—Requirements; Use of Principal and Income; Designation of Trustee; Accountings; Inspections; Duration.

A trust for the care of an animal is a trust for a lawful non-charitable purpose. Unless expressly provided in the trust, the trust terminates when no animal living on the date of the settlor's death remains alive. (A "settlor" is an individual who creates the trust, also sometimes called a "trustor".)

The governing instrument of the animal trust shall be liberally construed to bring the trust within the law, to presume against the merely honorary nature of the disposition, and to carry out the general intent of the settlor.

The trustee is not allowed to use or keep the money in the trust for his or her own purpose, except as provided in the trust, and the money in the trust must be used for the benefit of the animal.

When the trust terminates, the trustee must distribute the remaining funds as specified in the trust or in the residuary clause in the settlor's will. If there still is money left over, the money passes to the settlor's heirs. "Heirs" generally means spouse, children, grandchildren, and the like.

The trust should specify just what the intended purpose of the money is to be utilized for, and that the trustee will follow those directions in the trust. If the trust does not so specify, a person appointed by the court will follow the trust's provi-

sions.

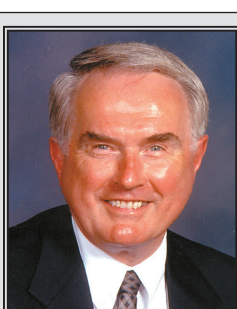
Under certain circumstances, the intended use of the principal or income of the trust may be the subject of a petition brought by any person interested in the welfare of the animal or any nonprofit charitable organization that has as its principal activity the care of animals.

The law goes on to state that if the trust does not designate a trustee or if a successor trustee is not willing to serve, the court shall name a trustee. In that event, the court has the power to transfer trust property to the court-appointed

trustee so as to ensure that the intended use of the trust money is carried out.

Finally, the court has the power to make all other orders and determinations as it shall deem advisable to carry out the intent of the settlor. It seems to me that this is a very helpful provision for animal lovers.

So, Kristie, yes, an animal trust is a possible legal mechanism to look into for the care of your animals. It should work like the above law intended. And if your children do not like it, they still need to



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honor your wishes as stated in the trust.

If they fail to follow the terms of the trust, they stand a chance to be named in a law suit for a variety of "causes of action." This could be very expensive for them and a bad thing for all parties concerned.

You might like to know that I wrote about this general topic a few years ago in this column. This and other columns are accessible to our *Almaden Times* readers by going to my website, www.almadenvalleylawyers.com. Select the "Ask the Lawyer" tab, and then under "Categories," select the "Estate Planning" tab. When you are at

that point, scroll down to March 31, 2007. You will need to select "Next" several times after each group of articles. The article is entitled, "Your Pets May Benefit From A Trust."

Best wishes for you and your animals!

You can reach Donald DeVries with your questions by email at don@almadenvalleylawyers.com, with "Almaden Times" in the subject line, fax at (408)268-6502, telephone at (408)268-9500, or mail at DeVries Law Office at 6475 Camden Ave., Suite 200, San Jose, CA 95120. Your name will not be used. No attorney-client relationship is created by these articles.

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