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FORWARD MOTION Eastridge Transit Center completion celebrated with ribbon cutting

celebrated officials and the community celebrated the completion of the newly reconstructed Eastridge Transit Center as part of the Capitol Expressway Light Rail corridor improvements on May 22.

The updated transit center served as the backdrop to the milestone event, boasting a new central walkway, a bike and pedestrian path, new landscaping with seat walls, new shelters with lighting and real time information. These improvements also support the future Santa Clara-Alum Rock Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project currently under construction.

The reconstruction of the Eastridge Transit See TRANSIT, page 3

Organization strives to give access to education to underprivileged children

By Pankaj Tyagi Staff Writer

f you recently saw a group of kids handing out pamphlets informing Evergreen residents about a Book Drive at Evergreen Farmers Market or if you have heard from some friend about a Book Drive at a local school, you must be wondering what this commotion is all about. Introducing: 'EMPOWER and EXCEL.'

'Empower And Excel' is an organization with the mission to empower the underprivileged children across the world by providing educational resources and cultivate healthy reading habits. The organization's mission is to identify areas of social and educational welfare that are lacking full support and provide a helping hand in whatever way 'Empower And Excel' can. The organization believes that access to education and educational material is a basic right of every kid.

'Empower And Excel' organized a successful book drive at the local farmers market on May 17. As a result of a great turnout, organization members were able to collect and crate loads of books. The successful event was made possible due to the generous donors who took time to drop off books and the enthusiastic team associated with the organization.

'Empower And Excel' has organized three major book drives so far. The first book drive was held at Archbishop Mitty and Presentation High Schools in April *See EMPOWER, page 3* SERVING EVERGREEN & SILVER CREEK VALLEY SINCE 1982 ONLINE: EVERGREENTIMES.COM

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War Comes Home: The Legacy opened on May 11 at Evergreen Valley College Library.

War exhibition featuring historic letters comes to Evergreen Valley College

ighlighting private correspondence from almost every major conflict in U.S. history, a new exhibition War Comes Home: The Legacy is now open until June 21 at Evergreen Valley College Library. Admission is free.

The traveling exhibition, rich with historic and contemporary letters, offers an intimate perspective into the thoughts and emotions of veterans and their families upon a soldier's homecoming.

The exhibition is based on the work of the Center for American War Letters (CAWL) and is presented by Exhibit Envoy. Andrew Carroll, the Director of CAWL and an award-winning and New

York Times bestselling author, and John Benitz, Associate Professor in the Department of Theatre at Chapman University, co-curated the exhibition.

The exhibition explores the joys and hardships that returning soldiers and their families face during homecoming, as expressed through private letters and email correspondence. Spanning conflicts from the Civil War through the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and displayed on thirteen interpretive panels, War Comes Home: The *Legacy* explores the shared themes of wartime separation, the adjustment to life back at home, and the costs of war. As

Staff Sergeant Parker Gyokeres writes, "Those of us coming back...are not looking for sympathy. We might be reluctant at first to talk about what we've been through...[but] your support has made this journey an incredible one...Thanks, above all, for listening."

War Comes Home: The Legacy is part of Cal Humanities' current War Comes Home initiative, a thematic program designed to promote greater understanding of veterans and explore how war shapes a community.

Editor's note: Evergreen Valley College Library is located at 3095 Yerba Buena Rd., San Jose CA | http://www.evc.edu/library | Phone: 408.270.6433

percent by raising the purchasing age to 21. About a dozen stores would be affected by the new rule, which also applies to e-cigarettes.

Firefighter battle stubborn grassfire near Eastridge Mall

More than 20 fire engines and 100 firefighters battled a fire near Quimby Road and East Capitol Expressway in San Jose on Sunday May 24 near Eastridge Mall.

Crews responded to reports of a grass fire around 4:24 p.m. Both Quimby Rd. and East Capitol Expressway were closed in both directions. Firefighters were having a hard time trying to control the fire due to the constant changing wind direction.

Residents from the ridges in the Silver Creek Country Club could see the fire burning in several locations due to the swirling wind which changed directions several times.



SV Rotary Club brings back fireworks display for Fourth of July

Cilicon Valley's Rotary Club S of San Jose announced on May 20 the organization will bring back the public fireworks display above downtown San Jose for the Independence Day holiday.

The year marks the second annual downtown fireworks display sponsored by the Rotary Club of San Jose. The public event is made possible in partnership with funders including the Rotary Club of San Jose, City of San Jose, Adobe, Focus Business Bank, GreenTeam, Silicon Valley Capital Club, San Pedro Square Market, The McEnry Family, GreenWaste, and the County of Santa Clara.

About Rotary Club of San Jose The Rotary Club of San Jose is Silicon Valley's most active and well known service organization. Since it was founded in 1914, members have volunteered more than three million hours for community and international service while being at the forefront of efforts to build the infrastructure and social fabric of the community. More than 4,000 business and community leaders have shared the fun and fellowship of being members of the Rotary Club of San Jose while upholding the ideals of humanitarian service and high ethical standards. For more info, visit www.SJrotary.org.

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Santa Clara County may change smoking age to 21

The legal age to purchase cigarettes may soon be changed to 21 for the unincorporated areas of Santa Clara County.

In a unanimous vote on May 19, the Board of Supervisors agreed to return in June with a copy of a draft ordinance that would change the tobacco purchasing age to 21. If passed, the new law would go into effect Jan. 1.

"After years of public health gains, smoking behaviors seem to be getting popular with youth again," said Supervisor Ken Yeager, who initiated the ordinance. "We need aggressive measures to combat Big Tobacco's increased efforts to hook young people on nicotine."

Yeager's made the proposal following a study commissioned by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that predicts smoking prevalence would fall about 12

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Guest speakers at the celebration included (L-R) **Magdalena Carrasco**, City of San Jose Councilmember and VTA Director; **Dave Cortese**, Metropolitan Transportation Commission Chair and Santa Clara County Board President; **Rose Herrera**, City of San Jose Vice Mayor and Councilmember, VTA Director; **Cindy Chavez**, Santa Clara County Supervisor and VTA Board Vice Chair; and **Nuria Fernandez**, VTA General Manager and CEO.

Transit

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Center and bus improvements began in August 2013 and cost \$68 million.

The newly completed transit center improvements are a part of the transformation that has taken place along Capitol Expressway since 2012. VTA has delivered pedestrian improvements in the form of new sidewalks, street and pathway lighting, and landscape that provides a buffer between those on foot or bike and those driving, to create a safer environment along this very active East San Jose corridor.

"We're moving in the right direction towards creating a city designed to support a higher quality of life for people first - not cars," said Vice Mayor and VTA Director Rose Herrera. "The opening in the Eastridge Transit Center will bring Bus Rapid Transit to the Eastside and is an important step in bringing lightrail out there as well. This hub will be the center piece of a system connecting the entire area to BART, jobs, shopping, and recreation."

The new transit center configuration will result in better bus operations and effectively prepare the corridor for future transit service upgrades like BRT. Together with the pedestrian improvement and the new transit center, a total of \$87 million has been invested into the East San Jose community.

The long-term vision for this corridor is to extend light rail from the existing Alum Rock Light Rail Station to Eastridge, ultimately transforming Capitol Expressway into a multi-modal boulevard offering bus rapid transit, light rail and more connections to the regional transit network of the Bay Area.

Empower

Continued from page 1 where a lot of educational resources were collected. Encouraged by the event, the 'Youth Wing' of 'Empower And Excel 'decided to organize another event at local Kumon center earlier this month. It was a big success again!

The 'Youth Wing' organized a very successful book drive at Evergreen village center in the Farmer's Market to collect more books and also spread the word through-

out the community. The volunteers gathered to execute the mammoth task of sorting, labeling and packing the collected books ready to be shipped or donated to needy schools and organizations. The books will help communities in need including homeless family shelters, orphanages and other national or international non-profit organizations.

Apart from organizing books and other supply donation drives, 'Empower And Excel' is also working with local shelters. Several young adults and their moms celebrated Mother's Day at the local shelter cooking meals for the residents living there. Kids came up with their own menu under the watchful eyes of their mothers. Moms and kids shopped together and cooked to serve a beneficial Mother's day meal to the residents of the facility.



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Keeping up with modern times, 'Empower And Excel' recently teamed up with another organization called iGebra to collaborate on empowering underserved Bay Area high school students and teaching them creativity and problem solving skills using "Think SMart...Code SMart" Program.

In future, 'Empower And Excel' will create and vitalize libraries in under-served area schools by providing used and new books in order to cultivate good reading habits. The organization is also working on a volunteer driven program that will serve kids in need by teaching and mentoring inperson and through online services.

Editor's note: Check the Evergreen Times for more events and drives conducted by 'Empower And Excel.' For more details, visit the 'Empower And Excel' website: empowerandexcel.org for more details.



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This Father's Day, think beyond the tie

Day gift since the holiday was first celebrated. But this year, men's fashion experts say think beyond this staid accessory while Father's Day shopping.

"The modern man is expressing himself in much broader ways and rounding out his wardrobe with more creativity than he has in the past," says Denis Daly Wood, founder of Dalys 1895, fourth-generation luxury men's designer and online retailer.

To give Dad the gift of contemporary style, Wood offers some great Father's Day shopping tips:

• Get inspired by Dad's favorite hobbies. For example, if he's an outdoor enthusiast, perhaps he would like a new sturdy backpack, hiking boots or gloves to wear during his next adventure. If he's a writer, a leatherbound journal or engraved fountain pen are great gift ideas that could prove useful and personal. Search for items that could help Dad better enjoy doing the things he loves.

· Dad may have his favorite suits, but buying him an accessory to accent his outfit can make him look and feel his best when he's at the office or out to dinner. A pocket square,

he tie has been a traditional Father's like a limited edition Caravaggio silk pocket square, can add a level of sophistication to Dad's look.

> • Has your father been carrying the same wallet for years? Upgrade his style with a wallet of a different color or texture or select a sterling silver alternative, like the Dalys 1895 Sterling Silver 16 Gauge Money Clip, with his hand-engraved monogram for a personal touch.

> • Does Dad have a favorite watch that he loves to wear? Buy Dad a watch winder or watch box where he can keep his treasure. A bracelet that complements his watch can also add a great touch to his outfit all year round.

> • For the traveling dad, consider a sleek, stylish weekender bag or briefcase to amp up his style even while he's on the go. If Dad always travels with his tablet or laptop, be sure to find a bag with tech pockets that will protect his gadgets even during takeoff.

> For even more Father's Day gift ideas, visit www.dalys1895.com.

Don't resort to a tacky "Number One Dad" t-shirt or boring, tired tie. Take this holiday as an opportunity to elevate Dad's style. (StatePoint)



Gruff grub

More than a hundred environmentally conscious goats eat their way to clearing the brush on the hillside below Silver Creek Country Club at the corner of Farnsworth and San Felipe Road.

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Times Feature

Let's become an age-friendly city

By Vice Mayor Rose Herrera Special to the Times

ively, active communities are good places for people of all ages, including seniors which are one of the fastest growing sectors of our population. That's why in 2010 I started the first Senior Health Fair and walk in Council District 8 at Eastridge Mall to celebrate and encourage active seniors and have some fun. I hope to see everyone there. This year's event takes place on Saturday, May 30,

2015 from 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at Eastridge Mall (2200 Eastridge Loop – enter through the Barns & Noble entrance) starting off with a light, free breakfast, a kick-off celebration with warm-up exercises and walk with circuit stations led by the new 24 Hour Fitness located in the mall. 24 Hour Fitness trainers will be on hand to guide us through a Silver Sneakers inspired program. The SilverSneakers Fitness Program is an innovative health, exercise and wellness program helping older adults live healthy, active lifestyles. Their motto is get fit, have fun, and make friends! And that's what we'll do on Saturday. We will also have 50 vendors offering services, giveaways and information. And don't forget to bring your dancing shoes for "Rose's Dance Party."

Beyond this one day, annual event, my goal is to make San Jose an Age-Friendly City year 'round. Our population age demographics is changing dramatically, and the number of retired residents is rising every day. One in three Americans now are 50 years or older. By 2030, when all the baby boomers will have passed age 65, the over-65 crowd will reach 20 percent of the population. Cities across the country need to commit to a continual cycle of improvement on age friendliness and one way to do that is to make a commitment to the World Health Organization's 8 Domains of Livability. These include:

Outdoor spaces and buildings

- Transportation
- Housing
- Social participation
- Respect and social inclusion
- Civic participation and employment
- Communication and information
- Community support and health services

The availability and quality of these com-

munity features impact the well-being of older adults. Our ultimate goal of creating an Age-Friendly Community is to increase the number of communities that support healthy aging, which will thereby improve the health, well-being, satisfaction and qual-



Report

ty, policies, services, settings and structures support and enable people remain active as they age. This is achieved by: ■ Recognizing the wide

range of capacities and resources among older people Anticipating and respond-

ity of life for older Americans.

In an age-friendly communi-

ing flexibly to aging-related needs and preferences

Respecting the decisions and lifestyle choices of age 50+ people

Protecting and supporting older adults who are the most vulnerable

Promoting the inclusion and contributions of older adults in all aspects of community life

And, because active aging is a life-long process, an age-friendly community is not just "elder-friendly." Rather, an age-friendly community is friendly for people of all ages.

I would like San Jose to join other cities in being recognized as a great place to be older. We all hope to be able to age in a place where it is safe and easy to stay active. The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) offers membership in a network of Age-Friendly Communities to cities committed to improving their age-friendliness and by submitting to a rigorous membership assessment cycle they are evaluated and approved.

We're moving in the right direction towards creating a city designed to support a higher quality of life for people first - not cars - with the newly launched, Vision Zero Initiative which I explained in my last article. This program's goal is to have zero pedestrian fatalities by creating a safe, walkable city. I've also supported public transportation funding in my role on the VTA Board as well as civic engagement through the creation of a Boards and Commissions Annual Workshop to encourage residents to serve on city-wide boards and commissions.

I will be asking our Mayor to submit a letter of commitment to AARP to join the Age-Friendly Network of Communities and begin our city-wide action plan to becoming Age-Friendly.

If you're interested in reading more about this program, go to: http://www.aarp.org/ livable-communities/network-age-friendlycommunities/info-2014/gettingstarted.html

If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to email my office at district8@sanjoseca.gov. I want to keep you informed! Sign up for the District 8 newsletter - go to www.sanjoseca.gov/district8



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Times Community News

'Vision Zero' safety strategy unanimously adopted by San Jose City Council

The San Jose City Council unanimously adopted a comprehensive street safety strategy called Vision Zero last week.

The goal of Vision Zero is to move towards zero traffic deaths and provide safe streets for all.

Vision Zero San Jose looks at street design through the lens in which human life takes priority over mobility—with a street system safe for all users, for all modes of transportation, in all communities and for people of all ages and abilities.

Vision Zero San Jose is the culmination of a continuous two-decade commitment to street safety that has resulted in a crash rate half of the national average and with injury crashes of involving children walking or biking declining by more than 50 percent in the last decade.

"San Jose has made a commitment to prioritize street safety and ensure all road users—whether you walk, bike, drive or ride transit—are safe," said San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo. "Even though our streets are some of safest for any big U.S. city, we can and will do better. Vision Zero San Jose is our roadmap for making that happen."

Based on a highly successful model developed in Sweden, Vision Zero San Jose takes a multidisciplinary approach to street safety through data analytics, better street design, targeted enforcement, collaborative education, removing policy barriers and deploying crash avoidance technologies.

"Through data analytics, we could see that only three percent of our 2,400-mile roadway system is where 50 percent of our fatal traffic crashes happen. These are San Jose's busy, wide suburban arterials that remain a big challenge," said Hans Larsen, director, San José Department of Transportation.

With \$80 million approved funding in the pipeline for safety improvements, the growing international Vision Zero movement has given San Jose the opportunity to refocus programs and improve safety in a strategic and accelerated way. These include new signals, LED streetlight conversions that make our streets brighter, safer pedestrian crossings, and new and enhanced bikeways among others.

In addition to implementing onstreet safety improvements, another goal of Vision Zero San José is to create a community culture that prioritizes traffic safety and ensures that mistakes on our roadways don't result in severe injury or death.

To make this happen and fuel momentum, San Jose is sharing its programs with the community and understands that the effectiveness of Vision Zero comes from a "safety first" collaboration among political leaders, roadway designers and managers, traffic enforcement agencies, vehicle manufacturers, transit operators, government regulators, educators, public health officials, community advocates and the public.

"The city continues to be a leader in putting forth ways to make our streets safer for everyone. But, the City of San Jose can't do it alone. It will take a concerted effort throughout the community for us to reach Vision Zero San Jose goals," said San Jose Vice Mayor Rose Herrera.

"That's why we are very lucky here in San Jose to have a rich network of organizations that support the health and vitality of our community, and that represent advocates for walking and bicycling, youth and seniors, neighborhoods and businesses."

Key partners in this effort include California Walks, the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, SPUR San Jose, Transform, the Greenbelt Alliance, the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, Prospect Silicon Valley, the Traffic Safe Community Network (County) and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority.

"Beyond our borders, San Jose can be a national leader and serve as a model in the Vision Zero movement by supporting crash avoidance technologies in new vehicles, changes in technical policy to facilitate lowering speed limits on urban streets and increased investment in transportation to allow for building and retro-fitting of safer streets," said Larsen.

For more information about Vision Zero San José, visit http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/42849.

Tate named 'Classified Employee of the Year'

Richard Tate has been named by the Santa Clara County Board of Education as the Classified Employee of the Year for Santa Clara County in



the category of Maintenance, Operations and Facilities.

Tate is a day custodian at James F. Smith Elementary and was nominated by his principal, Maureen McClintock. He has worked for the Evergreen School District since 1998. The County Board of Education honored Tate at its May 20 board meeting.

Safeway to open 'superstore' in Evergreen May 29

Safeway opens its new 61,000 sq. ft. state-of-the art store in Evergreen on May 29. Evergreen Times readers are invited to join the celebration when the doors open at 8 a.m.

The new Safeway will be located at the former Lucky Supermarket location at 2980 E. Capitol Expressway. The store brings an estimated 130 new jobs to Evergreen.

Safeway will honor East Valley YMCA during the grand opening with a Donation of \$2,500

To celebrate the opening, the store will be conducting a giveaway over the Grand Opening Weekend. All customers who shop using their Club Card from Friday, May 29 to Sunday, May 31 will be randomly selected at the checkout to win a \$50 gift card. Safeway will give away 100 gift cards over the weekend.



There are many reasons for the need for STEM education

Since its inception in early 2000s, the idea of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) based education is continuously evolving. Initially the National Science Foundation conceived this idea.

The need for STEM education is felt due to many reasons. First, recent studies show that a huge number of children in our country leave school without completing their education. Second, a vast majority of students fail to establish a link between the science education and their everyday experience. Group based collaborative projectwork is highly recommended for integrated STEM approach and various experts have identified its advantages including transfer of knowledge, increased motivation for learning, and improved overall education performance.

One important aspect of STEM education that still needs attention is the student's involvement in this process. They should be provided with more opportunities to explore their interests in Science and technology at an early stage of their education.

IntelliScience Institute is fully dedicated to offer this opportunity to students through its summer camps and afterschool programs. Students will be asked to choose the projects from various fields of engineering to explore his/her interests.



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This integrated STEM program will be taught through collaborative project-based activities. Students will be asked to reflect their opinion on a specific project they choose. They will be guided to conduct their research on basic concepts related to that project. Students will discover the solution of the problem and, finally, they will be asked to prepare a presentation on that particular project to develop and improve their communication skills.

We may envisage science an instrument to understand nature empowering our technology. The technology, on the other hand, is intrinsically linked with engineering that we intend to promote. Mathematics is the main power-engine for all three. This way science, technology, engineering, and mathematics emerge as four corners of a social fabric that we want to wrap around our children to enable them to compete with the rest of the world with knowledge and confidence.

IntelliScience intends to play its role in strengthening four corners of this fabric and will continue to serve the community through its efforts to teach science and technology and its applications in engineering through powerful tools of mathematics and effective communication.



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libraries across the city. The Summer Reading Challenge is not only fun but it's also beneficial

for children.? During summer break, students who do not spend time reading and learning can find their school year skills slipping backwards - also known as the Summer Slide. Teachers and literacy experts agree that reading for 20 minutes per day during the summer and staying active and engaged in educational programs help students retain their skills and return to school ready to learn.

The Library also challenges you to share the joy of reading as a family. Everyone from the baby to great-grandpa can get involved! Reading for pleasure is one of the building blocks needed for young people to grow into healthy, productive adults. The Summer Reading

Challenge runs from June 1 through July 31. Sign up after June 1st at your local

library or online (sipl.org/summer). Free activities for children and adults will be available at the Evergreen Branch Library throughout the summer months providing ample opportunity for fun and relaxation. The following are just a small sample of the many wonderful programs we'll be presenting in the coming weeks:

Children in 4-7 grade are invited to join us for Bots for Fun, an introductory LEGO robotics class that begins Saturday, June 6. Students will explore building and programming robots using LEGO Mindstorms NXT kits. This teentaught class meets from 4:15-5:45 p.m. for four consecutive Saturday sessions, ending on June 27. Space in the class is limited; register today to secure your spot in this popular class-http://www.botsforfun.com/registration.

On Tuesday, June 9th, our Introduction to Web Page Development with HTML and CSS class will begin. This course for middle schoolers will meet from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for four

Tuesdays in a row, ending on June 30. By the end of this class, students will have learned the basics of developing web pages using

HTML and CSS. Students will have the opportunity to apply what they've learned to develop their own web page in class. No prior know-ledge of HTML, CSS or programming is required. Space in the class is limited so please register either in-person at the Information Desk or by calling (408) 808-3060.

The Summer Reading Challenge is co-sponsored by San José Public Library and Friends of the Library. To see the full list of Summer Reading programs, please visit our Events calendar online (events.sjpl.org).

We are still recruiting volunteers ages 15 - 17 (13 or over are welcome if teensReach members) to help with our Summer Reading Challenge. To sign up, go to the

Donate and Register page on our website (http:// sjpl.org/donate) and click on the Summer Reading Volunteer link. To guarantee your spot on our volunteer team, be sure to attend our upcoming training session on Saturday, May 30 from 1-3 p.m.

Additional Events

You can view Evergreen Branch Library's complete event listings and informa-

tion on activities at other library locations at events.sipl.org. Updates on library events are also available via our RSS feeds (sjpl.org/updates) and our Facebook (https:// page www.facebook.com/sanjoselibrary)

Parking

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

Amanda Choi is a librarian at the Evergreen and Berryessa Branch Libraries. Evergreen Library is located at 2635 Aborn Road, between Capitol Expressway and White Road. The library phone number is (408) 808-3060. Berryessa Branch Library is located at 3355 Noble Avenue, San José 95132. The library phone number is 408-808-3050. Both libraries are part of the San José Public Library System. For more information, visit the library website, sipl.org.



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Times Feature

Hindus seek Diwali holiday in Santa Clara County schools

Hindus are asking various public school districts, county education office, charter and private schools located in Santa Clara County to include Diwali, the most popular Hindu holy day, as a school holiday in their schools calendar, in view of substantial numbers of Hindu schoolchildren.

Hindu statesman Rajan Zed, said that it was not fair with Hindu pupils and their families as they had to attend school on their most popular festival. Zed, who is President of Universal Society of Hinduism, argued that this unfairness did not send a good signal to the impressionable minds of schoolchildren who would be the leaders of tomorrow. "Holidays of all major religions should be honored and no one should be penalized for practicing their religion," said Zed. "Moreover, it was important to meet the religious and spiritual needs of these students."

Rajan Zed stressed that since it was important for Hindu families to celebrate Diwali day together at home with their children, we did not want our children to be deprived of any privileges at the school because of resulting absences on Diwali day. Closing schools on Diwali would ensure that and it would be a step in the positive direction.

Zed noted that awareness about other religions thus created by such holidays like Diwali would make the Santa Clara County pupils well-nurtured, well-balanced, and enlightened citizens of tomorrow. It would also make the County "look good," besides bringing cohesion and unity to the community.

Rajan Zed further said Hinduism is rich in festivals and religious festivals are very dear and sacred to Hindus. Diwali, the festival of lights, aims at dispelling the darkness and lighting up the lives and symbolizes the victory of good over evil.

Besides Hindus, Sikhs and Jains and some Buddhists also celebrate Diwali, which falls on November 11 in 2015.

There are about three million Hindus in the United States.



Tennis Club president **Mike Falarski**, and scholarship committee members **Suzi Hathaway** and **Jim Ferguson** present scholarships to winners **Nhat Tien Nguyen** and **Yui Tantiyarvarong**.

dinner

Silver Creek students receive scholarships

he Villages Tennis Club awarded two scholarships totaling \$6,000 to Silver Creek High School students Nhat Tien Nguyen and Yui Tantiyarvarong.

This is the 11th year that The Villages Tennis Club has awarded scholarships to Silver Creek seniors. Funfilled fund-raising events are held each spring including a tennis tournament and an evening event complete with a silent auction, raffle, and a full course Each year, after the tennis season is over, teams journey to The Villages Golf and Country Club to enjoy round-robin matches with tennis club members.

"We meet prospective scholarship recipients, and even sometimes beat the young tennis players on the courts," said Wendy Ferguson, Scholarship Chair. "It's a much anticipated social event for Tennis Club members."

Ray McDonald arrested on domestic violence charges in Silver Creek

Former 49er NFL player Ray McDonald has been arrested again on a domestic violence charges and possible child endangerment in Silver Creek's Hillstone neighborhood on May 25.

The arrest was made by Santa Clara Police with the assistance of San Jose police at the home of retired 49er player Justin Smith at 6 a.m. on Memorial Day according to sources within the San Jose Police Department.

McDonald, 30, was released by the San Francisco 49ers in December shortly after he was named as a suspect in a sexual assault investigation. The NFL ruled that McDonald did not violate the league's personal conduct policy and he was not subject to the mandatory eight-game suspension for domestic violence violaMcDonald, who signed a free agent contract with the Chicago Bears in March, was released by the team approximately 6 hours after his arrest.

Lt. Kurt Clarke said in a news release that McDonald was arrested after officers said he "physically assaulted the victim while she was holding a baby." Police were called to a disturbance at 3:48 a.m. at an apartment in Santa Clara, only to find that McDonald had left to go to Smith's home in Evergreen.

McDonald's baby, Amari, was born in March to his ex-fiancé.

NBC Bay Area reporter Damian Trujillo was the first to break the news story.

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGES



Villager presents scholarship awards at Riverbank High School

Seniors (left to right, holding Certificates of Award) Bobby Hernandez, Vanessa Marie Torres, Annika Marlene Magallon Hernandez; and Aleah Cassondra Arauza are all smiles here, as is scholarship award sponsor Thomas Roy Harney (center) following the "Annual Senior Academic Honors and Awards Program" at Riverbank High School, 4200 Claus Road in Riverbank on Thursday, May 7.

Harney, the Vice-Principal at Riverbank High School when it first opened its doors on September 18, 1967, presented the following scholarship awards to the following Honorees: Carol Joy Pace Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Musical Arts" to Bobby Hernandez; the "June Marie Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Performing Arts" to Aleah Cassondra Arauza; the "Fay Helig Silvis Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Visual Arts" to Annika Marlene Magallon Hernandez; and the "Thomas Roy Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Communicative Arts" to Vanessa Marie Torres.

The "Annual Senior Academic Honors and Awards Program" was planned and under the direction of Maritza Alvarez, Senior Counselor. *Photo by Stacy Bauer*



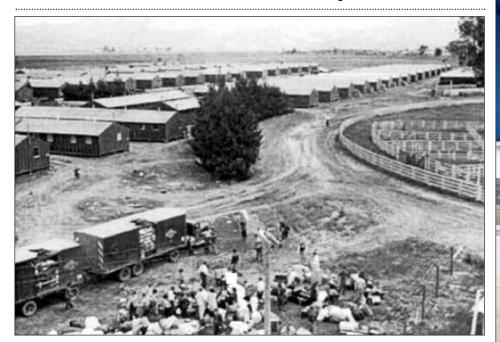
Villager Presents Scholarship Awards at Hillsdale High School

Seniors (left to right, holding Certificates of Award) Courtney Carroux, Amanda Jew, and Charis Nixon strike a happy pose here with scholarship award sponsor Thomas Roy Harney (center) following the "Senior Awards Program" at Hillsdale High School, 3115 Del Monte Street in San Mateo on Wednesday, May 13.

Harney, a former faculty member at Hillsdale High School presented the following scholarship awards to the following Honorees: "Carol Joy Pace Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Musical Arts" to Charis Nixon; "June Marie Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Performing Arts" to Charis Nixon, the "Thomas Roy Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Legal Arts" to Courtney Carroux; and the "Outstanding Achievement in the Communicative Arts" to Amanda Jew.

The "Senior Awards Program" was planned and under the direction of Susan Merport, College and Career Advisor. *Photo by Brennan Lynch*

Times Your Community



The Poston Relocation Center

Delta Kappa Gamma member shares her family's story of internment during WWII

By Louise Polizzotto *Special to the Times*

Non-ko (Nicky) Miyamura recently told the personal story of her family's internment during World War II to the local chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor society for women educators.

Miyamura is a 50 year member of DKG and this is the first time she had told her story to her local chapter when they met recently at the Japanese American Museum.

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



Yoneko (Nicky) Miyamura

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 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 desert was a terrible shock. Upon our arrival, we were told to line up, assigned a barrack number, given salt tablets *See INTERNMENT, page 13* The All-New 2016 ILX Is Now In Stock At Los Gatos Acura!





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Community Calendar

San Jose Greek Festival What: Experience the culture and hospitality of the Greek people in an outdoor, open market setting under the beautiful sunshine of San Jose. Just about everything served at the festival is homemade by local Greeks! Live music and award-winning dance groups will be onsite all weekend for your entertainment. When: May 29-31 Where: Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 1260 Davis Street San Jose Tickets: \$5 for adults \$3 for seniors and students, free to children under 12. Call 408-246-2770 for more information.

Art And Cultural Heritage Through The Eyes Of A Taiwanese American -Exhibition

What: This exhibit features the paintings of Monica Hsu. In 1988, Hsu immigrated to the US from Taiwan after finishing business school. As a painter and artist, Hsu seeks to preserve traditional Taiwanese culture through her unique oil paintings. Her love for Taiwan is clearly illustrated in each of her fine works. In addition to preserving Taiwanese culture through her artwork, Hsu creates vivid still life pieces depicting Western culture. When: Closes May 30, Saturday Where: Dr Martin Luther King Jr Library, 150 E San Fernando Street, San Jose. Call 408-808-2000 for more information.

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. June 20, at 2

Where: Our City Forest Community Nursery, 1000 Spring Street, San Jose More Information: Email treetours@ourcityforest.org or call 408-998-7337.

New Seasons Market Events Fri, June 5, 5-7pm: Complimentary Wine Tasting and Food Pairing. Featuring Masterpiece Vineyards of Sonoma County. All fruit for the wines are selected and produced in small, artisan lots and paint a picture of the terroir they come from.

Tues, June 9, 4-6pm: Special Occasion Cakes Private Tastings. Register for a tasting of the Bakery Department's premier sheet cakes. Free. RSVP at: www.newseasonsevergreen.eventbrite.com or sign up at the Solutions Counter in the store.

Fri, June 12, 5-7pm: Complimentary Wine Tasting and Food Pairing. Featuring Pat Paulsen Winery of Sonoma County. Enjoy samples of wines from California's finest grapegrowing appellations. Each wine is a unique and limited blend that is made to compete with the best wines in the world.

Sat, June 13 & Sun, June 14, 8am-9pm: Hunger Partner Match. Don't let hunger happen here. This store will match dollar-for-dollar your donations to the Santa Clara County Food Bank. Ask your cashier for more info.

Sat, June 13, 11am-2pm: 2nd Annual Summer Kick-Off Community Picnic. Join us in the store parking lot. Bring the family and enjoy a BBQ plate for \$5. With complimentary beer tasting.

New Seasons Market is located at: 5667 Silver Creek Rd, San Jose. 408-513-8200 www.newseasonsmarket.com/ou r-stores/evergreen



Monday, June 1

Nutritionist, full-time farmer, and the voice behind the popular blog *Sustainable Dish*, **Diana Rodgers** (above) discusses her inspirational and unique cookbook, The Homegrown Paleo Cookbook: Over 100 Delicious, Gluten-Free, Farm-To-Table Recipes, and a Complete Guide to Growing Your Own Healthy Food. Diana will be in conversation with the leading food blogger behind Nom Nom Paleo, Michelle Tam. Monday June 1 at Books Inc., Palo Alto. 7:00PM, free. For more information, visit http://www.booksinc.net or call 650-321-0600

Hospice of the Valley to bring 'The Magic of Motown' Gala to Montalvo June 13

Hospice of the Valley, a leading provider in palliative and hospice care, in partnership with Sutter Care at Home, is bringing "The Magic of Motown" to the Montalvo Arts Center in Saratoga for its 35th annual Gala.

The event, from 4 to 10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, at Montalvo, 15400 Montalvo Road in Saratoga, is a fund-raiser to benefit Hospice of the Valley's palliative care, hospice and counseling programs and services.

The Gala will feature live entertainment by Las Vegas Motown impersonator Pete Peterkin, and a special rockin' concert by Bay Area band Top Shelf in the amphitheater. There will also be irresistible silent and live auction items, along with delicious wine and gourmet food pairings to make the evening entertaining, memorable and fun.

"Please join us in celebrating our 35 years of service to the community with this Gala," said Paula Alderson, Hospice of the Valley president and CEO. "Tens of thousands of our neighbors, family and friends have benefited from Hospice of the Valley's services over the years. This will be a fun, memorable evening in an enchanting setting."

Gala highlights this year:

VIP reception in the Italianate Garden with a sneak peek at the



impersonators

Cocktail reception on the grounds and in the Montalvo Arts Center villa

Tribute entertainment featuring "Stevie Wonder" and other Motown legends Photo opps with the legends of Motown

Gourmet food stations and wine and cheese pairings in the ballroom Silent and live auctions with irresistible packages of goods, travel and services

Special "Best of Motown" tribute concert by Bay Area band Top Shelf in the amphitheater

This year's Gala sponsors include: Sutter Care at Home, Berliner Cohen; Brannons Medical; Darling-Fischer Chapel of the Hills; Dignity Memorial; E1 Camino Hospital Los Gatos; HFS Consultants; Kirkorian Family Foundation; MD-Mart; Royal Ambulance; and Valley Medical

The Bay Area's own Top Shelf

Oncology Consultants.

"We are grateful to all of our sponsors and donors for their generous support of our mission," said Jeff Strawn, chairman of Hospice of the Valley board of directors. "Their support is invaluable and allows us to provide the compassionate, personalized care for our clients and their families living with serious illness.

The Gala is open to the public. Tickets are: \$225; or \$275 for VIP tickets, which includes a private reception; or \$2,000 for a group of 10 tickets; or \$2,250 for a group of 10 VIP tickets, which includes the private reception. Tickets and more information are available at www.hospicevalley.org/ magicofmotown.

Sponsorship and donation opportunities are available. For details, please email Amy Ramsey, director of development aramsey@hospicevalley.org, or call 1.408.559.5600.

Tickets for Disney's 'The Lion King' go on sale at the Center for the Performing Arts in San Jose May 31

isney Theatrical Productions and Broadway San Jose, a Nederlander Presentation, is San Jose's most eagerly awaited return of four weeks September 10 through Sunday, October 4.

In San Jose, *THE LION KING* will play Tuesday through Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m.; Friday



evenings at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sundays at 1 and 6:30 p.m. There is an added matinee performance on Thursday, September 17 at 1 p.m. Premium Ticket Packages, which include a prime seat location, a commemorative souvenir program and an exclusive merchandise item, are also available.

Beginning **Sunday, May 31**, tickets (33-98) will be available online at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge tickets by phone, call Ticketmaster at 800-982-ARTS (2787). The Center for the Performing Arts Box Office (255 S. Almaden Blvd.) will be open on Monday, June 1 from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. for in-person orders. Orders for groups of fifteen (15) or more may be placed by calling (408) 792-4131.

Ticket buyers are reminded that the Center for the Performing Arts Box Office and Ticketmaster are the only official retail ticket outlets for all performances at the Center for the Performing Arts.

Times Your Community



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

for all of us.

dining.

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

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

brought to life and crops could be raised.

Internment

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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.

The barracks were lined up in rows and were covered with tar paper which absorbed the intense heat of the desert. Each barrack was divided into apartments. There were 7 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 three 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

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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 Miyamura continues even now as an educator, assisting those who have not received a high school diploma to complete the necessary work to receive their GED.



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The Everareen Senior Retired Teachers porting each other, we can San Pedro Squares Toastmasters Club Branch 114 members Advisory Council me the third Thursday of We do all loading! Residential/Commercial Trash Removal, Hauling Front/Backyards, Garage, Hoarder Cleanouts, Home/Rentals Clean-ups, YARD SERVICE, Front/Backyard cleanups, Organization. Meets bileverage each other's and a 12:30 p.m. speak monthly at various east-side cafes also conducts a variety of holiday expertise, collaborate and provide services – some Meets every Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Jimmy's Restaurant, 222 er open to all Villagers and friends. For more every month at 9:30 a.m. Get involved in community service contriinformation, call Lou Figone, SIR 114 BIG SIR helping plan events for seniors, volunteering for a good cause, and get-LevVa Community Action socials/activities and butions and others for W. Capitol Expressway in Team Association This group is bounded by hrub Removal, Shed/Deck Removal. Fire safety! scholarship fundraisers profit - to other women in San Jose, Contact Barbara at (408) 966-4175. Established in 1983! All teaching levels and others welcome. This organizathe areas of health, well-ness and aesthetics. In at 373-2815, or email bar-baramcchesney @sbc-global.net for further infor-**MOVING ASSISTANCE IN/OUT** ting to know your fellow Barberry Lane and West Evergree or/Military Discount Monrovia Drive, Capitol seniors. For more inforessence, help women Neighborhood Association mation, call the Evergreen Community Center at (408) 270-Expressway, Aborn Road, and South King Road. For meeting time and location, 7 DAYS, RAIN OR SHINE! tion supports the goals learn how to take impecmation. or check out the and purposes of the California Teachers' cable care of themselve as their life expectancy This group represents the area bounded approxi-mately by Flanigan Drive, website at (408) 729-0630 nttp://www.sanpe 2220. please contact the associ-Retirement System. 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Whaley Elementary School, 2655 Alvin Ave., 7 Parent, Teacher, Student Gardening Meets at the Evergreen East Valley Reid—Hillview Airport Library on Aborn Road, San Jose the first Wednesday of the month This group meets Tuesday Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the Assn evenings from 6 pm to 8 pm for a dinner meeting at Carrow's Restaurant, East Side Union High School District Board of Meets third Wednesday at **Clean Up & Go** Please second Tuesday in the to 8 p.m. For more infor-7:30 p.m. in the Reid Hillview airport terminal, Silver Creek High School Principal's Conference n contact the asso at 7:00 p.m. Each meetciation at 535-8613 Trustees ing will feature a monthly **YARD SERVICE** Meetings are typically held gardening class FREE to the public. For further on the third Thursday of **Fire Safety** recycle each month at 6 p.m. in information contact Arvind Front / Backvard the ESUHSD Education Kumar at (408) 715-7020 Center, 830 N. Capitol Ave. 347-5000. Check the **Clean Ups** or email Taxes this chhaprahiya@yahoo.com Tree / Shrub Removal web site for agendas and updates: www.esuhsd.org Evergreen Valley High Shed / Deck Removal School Athletic Booster The Evergreen Al-Anon **Club** meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the school's paper! meetings held at St. Francis of Assisi Church **Can Be** on Thursdays at 7 p.m. have been cancelled indef-7 DAYS administration office. initely due to lack of atten Evergreen Valley High School (408) 849-3134 dance School Site Council The Evergreen Business Association is intended to allow business owners Meets the first Wednesday Taxing. of every month on the EVHS campus in the administration building D, and leaders in the Jen's Wedding Classics Evergreen community to meet, connect, and net-work with each other in 3300 Quimby Rd., San Jose. Confirm meetings by visiting the school's web site, http://ev.ca.cam-pusgrid.net/ home and this fast growing part of Piano, organ or San Jose. 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Thursday at the Evergreen Branch Library. The group invites owners and leaders Evergreen Valley Service Organization For more information of B2B and B2C business-

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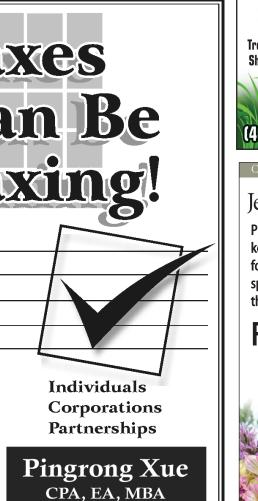
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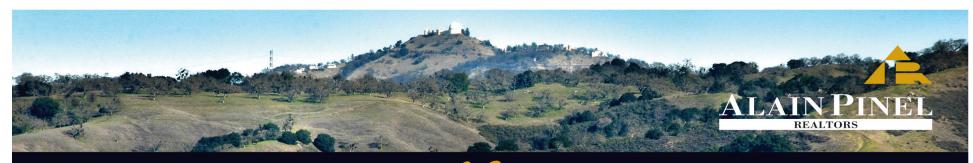
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