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## The election's over; what now?

By Lorraine Gabbert  
Senior Staff Writer

As the recent election sent residents reeling, the Almaden Valley Community Association invited Mercury News columnist Scott Herhold to provide equilibrium.

When his daughter called him, upset Trump had won; he suggested she put it aside and focus on something she could have an impact on, like her neighborhood. "I think that's a good lesson for all of us," says Herhold. "You have a chance right here to make life better, rather than over-dramatizing what happened in the presidential election."

Herhold views changes in government like steering an oil freighter. "If you change it three degrees," he says, "about 20 years from now it will be in a very different place. Of course, what happens with presidential elections is that every eight years there's a new pilot who wants to change it 3 degrees back, so we zigzag."

He believes that people invest too much hope and fear into who becomes president. He shared a story of a Los Altos high school student who told his mother that his school was providing counselors for students who were upset Trump was elected. His mother told the student that even at Los Altos High School, there are kids whose parents may be illegal immigrants and they worry about what would happen if their parents were deported. "The chances of that happening are probably remote," says Herhold, "and still you can understand the fear, but Trump is not going to be able to do all the things he said he was going to do during his campaign."

Herhold does acknowledge that this election was unusual.



Mercury News columnist **Scott Herhold** provides equilibrium to a recent Almaden Valley Community Association meeting. *Photo by Lorraine Gabbert*

"More than any election in my lifetime," he says, "this was a question of who you did not like rather than who you liked. Most of us were voting against the other candidate, rather than for a candidate." He believes this allowed people to be able to overlook the flaws of their own candidate. "Someone voting for Trump might say, 'Trump made some unfortunate comments about women, but that's nothing compared to the games Hillary was playing with her foundation,' while Hillary backers might say, 'She made some mistakes with emails, but that's nothing compared to the financial shenanigans Trump's been doing for years.' It's as if the two sides of the country are speaking past each other, exchanging playground taunts and I think that's unfortunate."

Herhold sees the outcome of the election as a reality check. "We're a very blue area in a blue state," he says. "Maybe we live in a bubble. I'm not sure I understand that former iron worker in Erie, Pennsylvania who lost his job and is working for \$13 an hour in a Walmart. That's maybe why so many of us missed who Trump was appealing to; because we don't see that sadness and the desperation of the rust belt. The Electoral College manages to still focus attention on places where the debate is close, and I don't think that's a bad thing. Places like Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania...are ailing and those of us in our bubble in Silicon Valley ought to be paying more attention to them."

One resident says she was moved by a story about a coal mining town in West Virginia where the only people left in the town are grandparents taking care of grandchildren as the parents had to leave town to find work after they closed the mines.

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## Meek wins seat on San Jose Unified School Board

By William Bellou  
Publisher

Kimberly Meek, vice-president in product support at SAP, has captured the winning seat on the San Jose Unified School Board Area 5 in the Nov. 8 election.

Meek, 49, who ran against incumbent Sandra Engel, brought low test scores to the attention of voters and the District's lack of a computer science program.

"Only 54 percent of students test proficient in English and 42 percent are proficient in math districtwide," said Meek. She focused her campaign on holding the district accountable in meeting educational goals. "You cannot achieve a plan unless you are accountable for it."

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Meek's campaign was funded by the California Charter Schools Association, and was backed by Susana Gallardo, School Site Council president, and Louisa Urbani, PTO co-chair, both at Gardner Academy. She had very few endorsements.

Meek, a member of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group's education committee, was a recent panelist for Women's Initiative.org and a guest speaker for the Silicon Valley Women's & Girls Summit. She has been recognized with

work related awards for individual and team contributions and successful collaborative efforts.

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# Valley Currents

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## A 'Dandy Day' at Los Alamitos Elementary

By Denise Styerwalt  
Special to the Times

Los Alamitos Elementary school's 27th Annual Dandy Day, the main PTA fundraiser of the year for the school's enrichment programs was recently celebrated.

It was a fun-filled day for the students, families and faculty to spend time with friends and family to show support for Los Alamitos.

Activities this year featured a Walk-A-Thon that was kicked off by the long standing tradition of a teacher dance, live DJ, silent auction, fun foods, Dutch raffle for kids, cake walk, carnival games and more walking.

Dandy Day supports the S.M.A.R.T. programs that Los Alamitos offers, including - Science, Music, Art, Reading Lab, and Technology (including Robotics).



Camryn Molfino and Hailey Hernandez kept the fun going while walking laps during the Walk-A-Thon. Above right: Teacher Mrs. Finch shows her Los Alamitos Lion's pride while taking a break to pose with (L-R) Katelyn McMahon, Hailey Styerwalt and Paige Leal.

## Holy Spirit School honors veterans at assembly

By Maria Apodaca  
Special to the Times

It's not often these days that we stop to think about the origin and meaning of a particular national holiday. Too often, we view the holiday simply as another day off work.

At Holy Spirit School, recognizing the appreciation for others and lifelong learning is a critical element of life for all of us - young or old - they made a concerted effort this year to pause for a moment and truly celebrate the holiday that is Veteran's Day.

The goal was to help students, faculty, and parents fully understand and acknowledge the what and why of celebrating the day. To that end,

the normal daily assembly became a morning of recognition of Veteran's Day and all that it means to American citizens.

The first hint that this day holds a special meaning for all was the Presentation of the Colors by the entire school Scouting contingent. From Daisies to Brownies, Cubs to Boy and Girl Scouts, they proceeded in quiet marching order to divide the assembled grades in two and form a pathway through the middle for the colors to follow. In solemn and respectful silence, broken only by the commands being given to the Guard, the Scouts saluted and the entire school watched as the colors marched up to the stage.

Following the crowd's recitation



of the Pledge of Allegiance, guest speaker, Commander Kevin Lavery, stepped up to the microphone. A Coast Guard veteran and current Holy Spirit School parent, Lavery patiently took the time to explain the meaning of the word "veteran," and that the history of today's holiday was originally meant to honor the sacrifices of the men who fought in World War I - the "war to end all wars."

Commander Lavery went on to

explain that one of our most important responsibilities as citizens and one of our kindest acts is to recognize the men and women who have served our country through national holidays, such as Veteran's Day. On a personal basis, whenever the opportunity presents itself, walking up to a veteran, to shake their hand, and most importantly, to simply say, "Thank you for your service," are each meaningful beyond words to our living veterans.

Whether they are proud of their time in the service of our country or still dealing with the wartime aspects of such service, all veterans appreciate the thanks of grateful individuals and a grateful nation. To accentuate his point, he asked the veterans in the audience to raise their hands and be recognized - a gesture that was met with extended and enthusiastic applause.

Attendees could not help but walk away from the ceremony with both a greater knowledge of the meaning of Veteran's Day and a deeper appreciation of what it means to serve and to sacrifice for our country.



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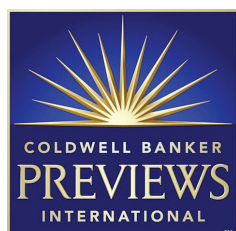
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Times **Election 2016****OP ED: When Election Day arrived**

When Election Day arrived, The New York Times' online election forecaster gave Hillary Clinton an 85 percent chance of winning; Trump, 15 percent.

While the Times admitted a Trump victory was "possible," they

deemed Clinton's chances of losing "about the same as the probability that an N.F.L. kicker misses a 37-yard field goal." Kick - no good.

As results began coming in, though, the lines on the Times' Clinton-Trump victory probability graph began closing in on each

other. Then, the unthinkable happened: those lines crossed. Trump's odds bested Clinton's, and hours before the race was called, the Times gave Trump a 95 percent chance of coming out on top.

While the big story is, of course, the election outcome, the story behind the story is media malpractice. It's not that the media and pollsters misread the opinions of the American electorate; it's that they were trying to dictate opinion to the American electorate - pollaganda - using polling as propaganda to influence public opinion rather than gage it.

Ironically, just a couple of months ago, NY Times columnist Jim Rutenberg argued on the Times' front page that journalists covering Trump had a responsibility to be biased - that they would "have to throw out the textbook." In fact, the Times' Senior Editor for Politics, Carolyn Ryan, called Trump's candidacy "extraordinary and precedent-shattering" and that "to pretend otherwise is to be disingenuous with readers." Thus the need for skewed coverage. And yet, the media failed to see the real reason for Trump's looming victory: voter anger at the elite media establishment.

Faced with the fact of journal-



ism's great failure, Rutenberg wrote, "All the dazzling technology, the big data and the sophisticated modeling that American newsrooms bring to the fundamentally human endeavor of presidential politics could not save American journalism from yet again being behind the story, behind the rest of the country. The news media by and large missed what was happening all around it. ... The numbers weren't just a poor guide for election night - they were an off-ramp away from what was actually happening."

The Washington Post's Margaret Sullivan echoed this observation: "To put it bluntly, the media missed the story. In the end, a huge number of American voters wanted something different. And although these voters shouted and screamed it, most journalists just weren't listening."

In other words, the media didn't

want to believe Trump could win, so they looked the other way. "It would be too horrible," Sullivan wrote. "So, therefore, according to some kind of magical thinking, it couldn't happen." By her explanation, the media couldn't believe such a bigoted misogynist racist might win. Of course, this same media had no problem helping a traitor who jeopardized national security and left Americans to die while scapegoating a filmmaker.

In truth, journalists didn't take some sort of moral high ground by ignoring the possible; they became the bigots they claim to hate. As The Wall Street Journal's James Taranto writes, "It's not just that journalists were naïve or even ignorant, it's that their work was suffused with hostility, even bigotry. Motivated by prejudice, many in the media threw aside standards of fairness and balance and even the

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Times **Feature**

# Castillero Middle School hosts Dodgeball Tournament

**First annual fast-action event combines agility, wacky teams and school spirit**

By Sean Eastwood  
Time staff writer

Castillero Middle School hosted its First Annual Dodgeball Tournament, a unique community building event recently to raise much needed funds to support after-school sports programs.

The event was coordinated by the school's newly formed Castillero Athletic Booster Club. With more than 100 students, they competed to win the coveted golden dodgeball trophy, as well as awards for most spirited team and best costumed team.

Ball-erinas, Dodging Divas and Bounty Hunters were a few of the names of teams playing intense games of dodgeball while wearing creative and light-hearted costumes.

Being silly, showing good sportsmanship and playing hard were the hallmarks of this fun tournament. Not to be outdone by the students, the teachers and administrators formed their own team called "You're History." The team dressed in various historical figure costumes and played in exhibition games against the students throughout the tournament.

This year's tournament team awards: First Place, No Mercy; Second Place, Ball-erinas; Third Place, Legally Blondes; Most Spirited, Average Joes; Best Costume, The Ducks Are Coming. The event was a huge success, with a second annual tournament planned for next year. It was so much fun, that outgoing eighth graders are hoping to be included in next year's



L to R: Castillero Students : **Sammy Schweizer, Emma Waahlen, Kaci Bardel, Erin Farnese, Claire Daley, and Aliya Daire** prepare for an intense game of dodgeball.

tournament as part of an alumni team.

Castillero Middle School, well-known for its music, arts, drama, and dance programs, is making a big push to bring quality unique after-school athletic programs to its students of all ability and interest levels. Formed in 2015, the Castillero Athletic Booster Club is a 501c3 non-profit organization which raises funds to support athletics at Castillero Middle School.

The club's board of directors is comprised of Castillero parents who are dedicated to offering students the opportunity to participate in middle school sports in a safe and supportive environment with an emphasis on fundamentals, teamwork and fair play. CABC relies on the generous contributions of Castillero parents and the community.

In just one year, the booster club has funded

competitive and intramural programs, including soccer, basketball, volleyball, flag football, swimming, running club, and of course, dodgeball.

Fundraisers, such as the dodgeball tournament, are integral to bringing these exciting after-school activities to local middle schoolers.

## About Castillero Middle School

Castillero Middle School is home to 1,200 students and a staff of more than 60 teachers. The school has been recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and a California Distinguished School, as well as receiving honors for outstanding parent involvement and the Caring School Climate Award from Project Cornerstone.

For more information about CABC, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/castilleroathleticboosterclub>.

## Op Ed

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pretense thereof. That didn't prevent a Trump presidency and might even have helped bring it about." We'd argue it definitely helped bring it about. Telling the electorate that Hillary was right about them being "irredeemable" and a "basket of deplorables" created a predictable backlash.

The mainstream media has so enclosed itself in the bubble of liberal elitism that they think their world is the world. And they need their own "safe spaces" when their world is challenged.

It's little wonder, then, that after living so long in a state of denial, the media melted down over Trump's win. ABC's Terry Moran called it "a rejection of the neo-liberal world order that, uh, really has been the consensus of governments across the West and across the world for a generation." CNN's Van Jones said people are asking, "How do I explain this to my children?" and called the results a "whitewash against a black president." And MSNBC's ever classy Rachel Maddow told her viewers, "You're not dead and you haven't gone to hell. This is your life now." (As Mike Huckabee joked, "It's true. TVs in Hell only show MSNBC.")

In reality, the media missed the story not out of error or ineptitude but out of willful narrow-mindedness that simply couldn't admit there is a world out there that doesn't think like they do. It's called America.

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Times **Community News**

# Almaden Community Center announces upcoming events

Almaden Community Center Senior Association is sponsoring three exciting upcoming events, Thanksgiving Feast, Annual Holiday Brunch, and the Thunder Valley Casino Fun Trip.

## Thanksgiving Feast

The annual Thanksgiving Feast is scheduled on Wednesday, Nov. 16 from 2 – 4 p.m.

Dinner will be served with traditional turkey, stuffing, potatoes, green beans, bread, and desert.

Tickets, \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members, are on sale now. Tickets are available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:40-10:00 a.m. at the Almaden Community Center lobby.

For more information call 408.268.1133

## Annual Holiday Brunch

The annual Holiday Brunch, sponsored by the Almaden Community Center Senior Association, will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

This year's menu includes: Tropical Fruit Yogurt Parfait, Festive egg Frittata, Grilled Ham Slices, Potatoes O' Brien, Breakfast Pastry, Coffee, Tea, and Mimosas.

Tickets are available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:40 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Almaden Community Center. Prices are only \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members.

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## Thunder Valley Casino Fun Trip

A Thunder Valley Casino Fun Trip, sponsored by the Almaden Community Center Senior Association is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6.

The low cost trip is \$35 per per-

son which includes a \$15 slot play or table match play and a \$5 food player's card.

Participants must arrive at 7:30 a.m. at the Almaden Community Center, located at 6445 Camden Ave., San Jose.

Tickets are available Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Almaden Community Center lobby.

For more information, call Sally at 408.826.9619, or Bea at 408.761.4002.

# Leland Robotics Team partnering with San Jose City Library

By Evan Leung  
Special to the Times

The Leland Robotics Team 604 Partnering with San Jose City Library to bring LEGO Robotics Workshop to Almaden Valley.

The partnering with the City's Library is part of Team 604's continuing outreach efforts not only to launch a new series of LEGO robotics workshops but to also further promote interest in STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and math) in elementary and middle schools in the community.

The FIRST LEGO League (FLL) program has nurtured STEM, and developed many problem solving and teamwork skills.

Leland Robotics Team 604 is in the process of developing the workshop curriculum and recruiting team members to launch the project at the Almaden Branch Library in January 2017. The program is designed in such a way that it's sustainable and reproducible in other branches as well.

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# Neighborhood watch groups receive recognition at San Jose City Hall

At a recent San Jose City Council meeting, District 10 Councilmember, Johnny Khamis, presented a commendation to the community-wide Neighborhood Watch Groups of Almaden Valley.

The commendation praised the groups' proactive approach, dedication and vigilance in keeping their neighborhoods safe.

Accepting the commendation from Councilmember Khamis and Mayor Liccardo was Dick Buehler, who along with seven neighbors, started the Country Club Neighborhood Watch Group in 2015, when Almaden Valley experienced a large increase in home and auto burglaries and mail theft.

The neighbors volunteered to patrol streets randomly to identify any suspicious activity, and report

crimes in progress, while following police safety guidelines. Incident reports were collected and shared with Mr. Khamis and SJPD Captain Schroder (Southern Division Commander). Today the Country Club Neighborhood Watch has more than 150 members.

Six other Almaden Valley neighborhoods have also started Watch Groups, some with signs to show unity. These Watch Groups communicate through Nextdoor Almaden, the online community of more than 8,000 member residents. Residents post alerts of suspicious persons or vehicles, including non-permitted solicitors, and also share burglary reports, crime statistics, and burglary prevention tips. The watch groups encourage individuals to get to know their adjoining



Neighborhood watch groups received recognition. Pictured at the podium, Councilmember **Johnny Khamis**; Pictured (left to right) are **Sonia Azevedo** (SJPD Crime Prevention Specialist), **Captain Edward Schroder** (Southern Division Commander), **Dick Buehler & Patty Gur** (Country Club), **Tami Sell & Lydia McClure** (Shadow Brook I), **Barry Redding** (Almaden Mockingbird), **Steve Conaway** (Graystone), **Terri Henry** (Nextdoor Country Club Lead) and **Mayor Sam Liccardo**.

neighbors.

Almaden Neighborhood Watch signs for your window are available for purchase at PostNet in their new location at Safeway Shopping Center, 6469 Almaden Expressway,

suite # 80.

Neighbors interested in organizing a Watch Group for their block are encouraged to contact the SJPD Crime Prevention Specialists: Contact Sonia Azevedo at [Sonia.Azevedo@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Sonia.Azevedo@sanjoseca.gov), or reach Rebekah Souza at [Rebekah.Souza@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Rebekah.Souza@sanjoseca.gov), or phone 408.277.4133.

For burglary prevention tips, please see "Don't be a Victim," the five minute video on the SJPD website: [sjpgd.org/BFO/Community/Crimeprevention/PreventionResources.html](http://sjpgd.org/BFO/Community/Crimeprevention/PreventionResources.html)

The SJPD Crime Statistics and Maps show burglary information for your neighborhood: <http://www.sjpgd.org/CrimeStats/CrimeMappingFAQ.html>

## Fantasy of Lights announces two walk-thru nights

Fantasy of Lights is not just an event; it's a growing popular tradition.

The 18th annual Fantasy of Lights Drive-thru will begin on December 6th and run through December 30th from 6pm to 10pm nightly. Fantasy of Lights will be closed on Christmas Day, December 25th.

The popular walk-thru will be extended to two back-to-back nights on December 3rd and 4th from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. This spectacular 1.5-mile holiday light show at Vasona Lake County Park in Los Gatos can be viewed on foot or in the warmth of your vehicle.

Tickets can be purchased in advance by visiting [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org). Walk-thru admission tickets are \$10 ages 13 years old and up, and \$5 ages 4-12 years old. Drive-thru admission prices are \$20 per vehicle (up to 12 people) and \$50 for oversize vehicles (capacity 13+).

The Walk-thru nights, on December 3rd and 4th feature international food and beverages by Moveable Feast, visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus and a holiday fun photo booth hosted by MIX 106.5



and 94.5 KBAY radio stations.

Whether you are on foot or in your vehicle, visitors will be dazzled by thousands of twinkling lights in large animated displays. The sights and sounds of an erupting volcano in the dangerously fun dinosaur den, Santa shooting hoops, a pen of playful penguins, blazing cannons, a tunnel of moving lights, and a 90-foot twinkling tree will have you "oohing and aahing" throughout your visit. Enjoy a free pair of 3D glasses with the event program, while supplies last.

Vasona Lake County Park is located at 333 Blossom Hill Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95037. For directions, ticketing and more information visit [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) or call (408) 355-2201. There is no parking at Vasona Lake County Park, however, free parking and shuttle service is recommended at Netflix, 121 Albright Way, Los Gatos.

*Fantasy of Lights is presented by Santa Clara County Department of Parks and Recreation, 298 Garden Hill Drive, Los Gatos, CA 95032.*

## San Jose City Council Almaden District 10 internships available

San Jose City Council Almaden District 10 office is currently recruiting high school and college level interns who are looking for experience in the political field.

Political internship compliments a student's education and builds networking, communication, and analytical skills.

Interns are expected to be organ-

ized, to be well spoken, and to be able to hold a consistent schedule.

Common duties include: research, calendar management and grant preparation. Interns will also be expected to attend events to help with constituent outreach.

For more information, call Tim Healy, 408.535.4983 or email [tim.healy@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:tim.healy@sanjoseca.gov).

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11/23/16	Wednesday	Alumni Game	Leland	7:00 PM
12/01/16	Thursday	TBA (Westmont Tournament)	Westmont	TBA
12/02/16	Friday	TBA (Westmont Tournament)	Westmont	TBA
12/03/16	Saturday	TBA (Westmont Tournament)	Westmont	TBA
12/07/16	Wednesday	TBA (Wildcat Shootout)	Los Gatos	TBA
12/08/16	Thursday	TBA (Wildcat Shootout)	Los Gatos	TBA
12/09/16	Friday	TBA (Wildcat Shootout)	Los Gatos	TBA
12/16/16	Friday	TBA (D.J. Frandsen Memorial)	Bellarmine	TBA
12/17/16	Saturday	TBA (D.J. Frandsen Memorial)	Bellarmine	TBA
12/20/16	Tuesday	Branham	Leland	7:00 PM
12/28/16	Wednesday	Silver Creek	Leland	7:00 PM
01/04/17	Wednesday	Gunderson	Leland	7:00 PM
01/06/17	Friday	Oak Grove	Leland	7:00 PM
01/11/17	Wednesday	Santa Teresa	Leland	7:00 PM
01/13/17	Friday	Sobrato	Sobrato	7:00 PM
01/18/17	Wednesday	Live Oak	Live Oak	7:00 PM
01/20/17	Friday	Pioneer	Leland	7:00 PM
01/24/17	Tuesday	Andrew Hill	Andrew Hill	7:00 PM
01/26/17	Thursday	Gunderson	Gunderson	7:00 PM
02/01/17	Wednesday	Oak Grove	Oak Grove	7:00 PM
02/03/17	Friday	Santa Teresa	Santa Teresa	7:00 PM
02/08/17	Wednesday	Sobrato	Leland	7:00 PM
02/10/17	Friday	Live Oak	Leland	7:00 PM
02/15/17	Wednesday	Andrew Hill	Leland	7:00 PM
02/17/17	Friday	Pioneer	Pioneer	7:00 PM
02/19/17	Sunday	CCS Seeding Meeting	TBA	TBA PM



Times **Cover Story****Herhold***Continued from page 1*

“What will happen to the poor people in that town?” she says. “Are they aware coal is not in the future? Are they being retrained in other jobs?”

“I don’t think so,” says Herhold, “and I don’t think they’re fooled into thinking coal is coming back. I think they’re distraught with the status quo. Trump’s whole strategy was to upend tables and if you’re a desperate person that looks better than a civil debate. He was brilliant in his use of social media. He had people glued to his every move.”

“I think Trump won because of the emotional connection he had to voters,” says a resident. “It’s like music. The notes don’t matter. He gets you moving and dancing.”

“We make fun of countries that have leaders who seem not to be

very in control of their emotions,” says a resident. “And now we’ve got one. When my friends from foreign countries write to me I feel so embarrassed that we’ve got somebody who talks like that and thinks like that.”

On the local front, Herhold believes that land and race influence the city council races and ballot measures. “The cliché used to be that politics in the west were fought about land and politics in the east were fought about race,” he says. “The west had lots of land and how you used it was the fulcrum of political power and it still is in San Jose. You can see it in Measure F, the measure that finally put paid to the long battle over pensions. The unions and the city were fighting about it for five years. Finally, the mayor and the unions reached an agreement and they put it to the voters. The mayor was very worried that it might not pass, so he

raised nearly a million dollars, largely from development interests to make sure it passed. Truth in politics is that people don’t give a million dollars for free. There’s a kind of understanding that they’ll at least have some kind of access, so land still matters. Race is increasingly asserting itself in this valley. You can see it in the council race between Sylvia Arenas and Jimmy Nguyen. Nguyen is getting the majority of Vietnamese votes and Arenas the Hispanic votes. Race matters and we’re seeing more of that in the valley.”

Herhold thinks that Santa Clara residents are generous to a fault. “We passed Measure B, the one half cent sales tax for transportation; Measure A, a bond for homeless housing; Measure G, the business tax modification; and school bond measures, which also hit property tax,” he says. “For techies, \$300, \$400 or \$500 more a year is

no big deal. Renters or folks who might benefit from these measures don’t see the immediate costs, but the middle class bears a lot of this cost. I don’t know if that’s entirely healthy. People have this odd view that bonds are free, but they aren’t.”

He feels that people were misled as to the ultimate costs of the new measures and bonds and what they can accomplish. “People were told Measure B was about fixing potholes,” he says, “but it also went to buses and BART and CalTrain, and it’s a fairly substantial tax. I don’t think BART will help traffic the way we think it will. School bond measures are sold without explaining you will have to pay another \$70, \$80 or \$90 dollars on your property tax.”

Although incumbents usually have an advantage, Rohit “Ro” Khanna led the race against Mike Honda. Herhold believes this is because Honda made a couple of

missteps. “There’s a House Committee on Ethics investigation; he’s under fire for using office resources for campaign purposes,” says Herhold, “and he fell asleep on the House floor during a homeland security briefing. Honda tried to come back by saying Ro Khanna’s campaign manager illegally got into emails, but it was tough to make that stick and he dug himself a deeper hole with a quasi-racist ad showing an Indian actor with a bottle of champagne. Age and fresh ideas also played a role. Do you want a new guy or one who’s falling asleep?”

Herhold says that if anyone tells you your vote doesn’t matter, local races prove it does. At a local level, he believes that word of mouth still matters. “In the district 6 council race between Helen Chapman and Dev Davis, what helped Dev a lot is that she did much better in the forums; she knew specifics like the numbers in the city budget and could ask pertinent questions. I think people would pass this along,” he says. “Word of mouth will tell you that Johnny Khamis, whether you agree with him or not, is a fundamentally decent man. It’s the strength of our district election.”

In tallying winners and losers, Herhold counts Governor Jerry Brown as a winner for defeating a measure that would’ve required a public vote if the state issued more than \$2 billion in bonds for a government project. He also considers Mayor Sam Liccardo a winner for passing Measure F. “It isn’t a perfect solution—pensions are still very high—but the city realized cops could discourage new cops from joining the force so they had to make an agreement,” he says. However, he believes that Liccardo should be held to his promise of making police Cadettes who go through the academy and gain the benefit of training and go elsewhere pay back their tuition.

The last winner Herhold notes is Alec Baldwin for playing Donald Trump to a tee on Saturday Night Live. As for the losers, he says that there is a generation of women for whom the idea of electing a woman for president was very important. “That dream has been dashed,” says Herhold. “Ideology is also a loser as Donald Trump is all over the map.”

Herhold hopes that politics becomes less divisive in the future. “You’d think with social media and the internet, we’d be exposed to different points of view,” he says, “but people go to sites that reflect their own views. For my father, politics was like sports: you have your team and you root for your team, but you don’t hate the other guys. In fact, you realize you need the other guys. If we had that kind of respect, we’d get farther.”

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Times **Feature**

# 'Prepare Ye...'

## 'Godspell Jr.' is coming to Pioneer High School Dec. 1

By Jane Johnson

Special to the Times

I can't believe I'm putting this into writing, let alone admitting it to myself, but straight from the source, this will be Steve Dini's last year teaching drama at Pioneer.

If you've never seen one of his shows, it's time to fit it in to your busy schedule before it's too late. What Steve has brought to Pioneer High School all these years has grown to Broadway-quality shows.

Next up is a Broadway cult classic: "Godspell Jr." ("Jr." here stands for a shortened version of the original with one special addition - "Beautiful City," a song written only for this version by the composer, Stephen Schwartz.) Schwartz, of "Wicked" fame, originally wrote "Godspell" as a college project.

Seeing the work's quality, his professor encouraged Schwartz to pitch the piece to Broadway. Thus was born a blockbuster musical with all that you hope for: drama, humor, memorable score, colorful characters, energy, poignancy and enthusiasm. Underscored throughout is a great story leaving you feeling inspired and energized with hope and joy for having experienced it.

Dini describes the show as "an off-beat look at the Gospel of Matthew - the life of Jesus told in a creative, unusual, colorful way that maybe we're not used to seeing... This story is so universal that any take on it is acceptable as long as it's not offensive... This author is looking at it from a completely different perspective than we're used to seeing. Why should we limit ourselves to looking at it just one way?"

Costuming achieves vibrancy of color and character. Jan Vincent helps guide and augment, but this produc-



Steve Dini

tion Steve suggested the "kids can put together any kind of costume they want. Only requirements are the costumes must be outrageous, appropriate, very colorful and completely off-the-wall-random that no one would expect to see in a play like this." This adds to the fun!

Cast in the musical: PHS's Advanced Drama class, chockfull of such abundant talent this year, Dini increased the class size to 82 members - and almost every single one of them are participating in this show either on stage or behind the scenes. Dini's vision creates an ever-changing street performers' scene where the world looks on, sometimes joining in the chorus, sometimes observing and sometimes making a statement with their removal. Others are so interested they hear and become involved in some of the goings on. Finally, you have the few who are committed to the story from beginning to end - or as Mr. Dini describes "when you eat ham and eggs, the chicken is involved, but the pig is committed."

New this year to drama, Ben Harvey leads the audience in with a pure voice calling all to join. Connor

Henry (last year's Marius in "Les Miserables, Jr.") takes the stage wearing an emblazoned Superman logo, aptly portraying the central character. Emily Summers, Jordan Spalding, Zoe Stamos, Tommy Goss, Vanessa Scoffone, Blake Bertolin, Hallie Bacon, Jeffrey Plaza, Maddy Ratliff, Luke Beck, Tori Ayala & Jack Johnson - many who you will remember from "Les Mis" - round out the leads.

Dini "wants kids to get out of performing in this what (they) get out of performing in any of our productions: where they learn they can do things no one expected them to do, they are capable of much more than (they) ever dreamed possible, and that if you check your ego at the door and work as a team towards a common goal, it's one of the most rewarding experiences you can have. That's what we try to do - try to have everyone enjoy, everyone participate... To be in theater at Pioneer is kind of cool - we have athletes, dancers, cheerleaders, sports people & special education students - everyone together." Part of Pioneer's special draw, everyone feels welcomed and part of a greater good working together to give something back to the community and each other. They aren't just there to entertain themselves and their families - they want each production to be a high-level performing arts experience for the community at large.

"In this screwed up world where everybody looks at teenagers as pot smoking, disrespectful loafers... to see almost 80 kids join together & put on an exciting show people didn't think they could do - it's a gift not only to me and to them, but to the community - to everyone."

From all the kids who've gone through this school, only two Dini



"The audience can expect a lot of color, a lot of energy, lots of enthusiasm and a high quality production," according to Dini.

know of have gone on to professional levels of acting. But every single one of the performers takes with them confidence, poise, self-assurance, self-esteem and the ability to present them well and speak effectively in public. That in itself is a prize, as when polled, many Americans fear public speaking more than death itself.

For "Godspell Jr." the audience "should expect a great show from us - because that's all we do here (at Pioneer)," said Dini. "And the reason we always have a great show is I'm smart enough to know I'm not smart enough to know everything. So I get good people around me (like) RaeAnn Ramsey, Marissa Bacon, Jan Vincent, Jay Hanley, Mike Hanlon, Michael Martinez and Ashley Coleman - as well as the full support of Pioneer's new Principal, Mr. Herb Espiritu - and when you surround yourself with good people and let them do what they do best and let each one of them

put their own creativity into it, under my vision...it ends up being a great finished product.

The audience can expect a lot of color, a lot of energy, lots of enthusiasm and a high quality production," according to Dini. "If you're interested in seeing a very creative take on the Gospel of Matthew, but at the same time with exciting, innovative, creative songs performed by some pretty talented, young people - this is the show you want to see. It's only one act...so it will go (approximately) 1 hour, 10 minutes straight through and it's appropriate for families."

"Godspell Jr." runs 7 p.m. December 1st, 2nd & 3rd only. Tickets are available at the door or online at <https://phsdrama.ludustickets.com/index.php>. Pricing is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. Get your tickets early as once the word gets out this is Steve Dini's last year, these performances will sell out quickly.



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## HOLIDAY NOTEBOOK

## Free Christmas musical to be presented Dec. 9-11

Since 1984, Foxworthy Baptist Church of San Jose has presented a Broadway-style Christmas musical production as a free gift to community.

This year, the musical production will be presented five times over the weekend of December 9-11.

The 90-minute musical features 30 singers in a fully-staged and choreographed production. The first half includes many favorite Christmas songs and features Rudolph, Frosty, Sponge Bob and the Grinch. In the second half, the songs retell the story of the birth of Jesus, the Savior of the world and the Reason for the Season.

Performances are Friday, December 9 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 10 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 11 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Foxworthy Baptist Church is located at 1774 Foxworthy Ave., San Jose.

Foxworthy Baptist Church first presented The Christmas Gift to San Jose at the Montgomery Theater in 1984. In 1986, they moved the event to the Civic Auditorium.



However, since 1987, the musical has been presented at the church.

In early November, a proscenium and stage curtain was installed and the church is transformed into a theater. In addition to presenting the musical production at the church location, the Christmas Choir will also be appearing in the Los Gatos Christmas Parade on December 3 and will be singing at Santana Row.

The Christmas Gift to San Jose is under the direction of Don and Diann Fugate. For further information, visit the church website at [www.foxworthy.org](http://www.foxworthy.org)

## Holy Family Parish Annual Holiday Boutique Nov. 19-20

Holy Family Parish has announced their 14th Annual Holiday Boutique will be held on Nov. 19-20.

A wide variety of gifts for children and adults alike will be on sale for the two day event.

Hours for the event are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday, and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Raffles will also be conducted for several valuable prizes such as an American Girl Doll, a LEGO kit, a Nespresso machine, jewelry, decorated Christmas trees, and more. Lunch will be available for purchase at the Parish snack bar.

Holy Family Parish Community Center is located at 4848 Pearl Ave., San Jose.

For more information, call (408) 265-4040.

## How to have a greener holiday season with a 'Holiday Rent-A-Tree'

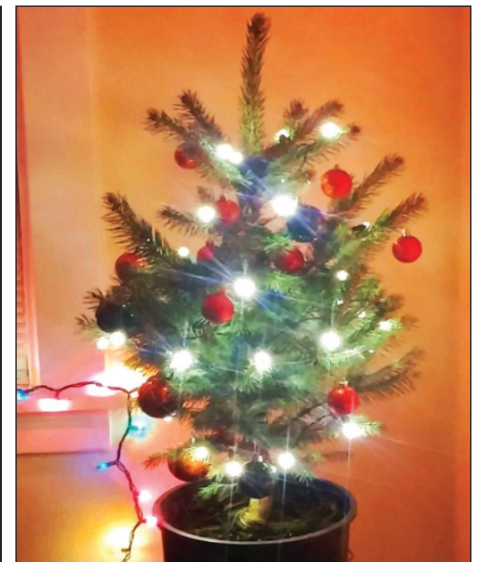
Did you know that 30 million trees are chopped down for holiday celebrations every year in the U.S. and that artificial trees are made with non-biodegradable materials, leaving behind a heavy carbon footprint?

Local environmental non-profit Our City Forest is offering South Bay residents and businesses an alternative option: rent a living holiday tree instead.

Not only does the Holiday Rent-A-Tree program help to protect trees and cut waste, the living trees are returned to be planted at schools, neighborhoods, and parks, providing the entire community with valuable environmental and health benefits for generations.

Anyone can reserve their living tree by going online to [ourcityforest.org/holiday](http://ourcityforest.org/holiday) or you may visit the Community Nursery in San Jose located at 1000 Spring St. in San Jose any Thursday, Friday or Saturday between the hours of 9 a.m. and noon. The deadline for renting a tree is Nov. 30.

Living holiday trees range from 3 to 12 feet



tall, measured from the bottom of the pot. Species include traditional options such as Southwestern White Pine and Blue Spruce, as well as non-traditional options such as the Carolina Laurel Cherry and the Saratoga Sweet Bay. Prices range between \$20-\$85, depending on the size and species.

Reserved trees may be picked up starting Dec. 1 through Dec. 11 during extended open hours. There is also an alternative tree pickup site at Martial Cottle Park on December 9 or 10.

Reserve your tree soon! Species are available on a first come, first serve basis. All proceeds help Our City Forest's community greening projects as well as its environmental education and green job training programs.

For more information about Holiday Rent-A-Tree, contact Renae at (408) 998-7337 X 122, visit [ourcityforest.org/holiday](http://ourcityforest.org/holiday) or email [info@ourcityforest.org](mailto:info@ourcityforest.org)

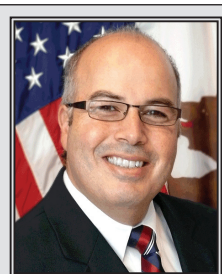
## San Jose Clean Energy update from City Council

By **Johnny Khamis**  
*Special to the Times*

On Friday October 28, the San Jose City Council held a Study Session to better understand if Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), also known as Community Choice Energy (CCE), makes sense for our City.

CCA is an energy procurement model that allows local governments to pool or aggregate the electric load of their residents, businesses, and institutions to purchase electricity on their behalf. The CCA program is able to determine the source of electricity and sets the customer rates, while the existing investor-owned utility (PG&E) continues to provide transmission, distribution, and electricity billing. CCAs will often offer various energy choices, including a green energy option, where consumers could pay a premium to obtain energy produced from 100% renewable sources. San Jose residents and entities would have the option to join the CCA or to continue with their current energy provider.

You can read Environmental Services



### District 10 Report

**Johnny Khamis,**  
City Councilmember

Department's (ESD) full memo on how CCA could potentially work in the City of San Jose:

Memo: [http://sanjose.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view\\_id=&event\\_id=2290&meta\\_id=598249](http://sanjose.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=&event_id=2290&meta_id=598249)

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You can also view the PowerPoint Presentation used during the study session here: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/62048>

We are currently in Phase 1 (Fall/Winter 2016) of San Jose Clean Energy Timeline which includes outreach, the Council Study Session, and development of the business plan. ESD's goal is to bring their full recommendation on whether to proceed to further phases and, if so, what operational model should be used, by early 2017.

As our City continues to consider this alternative line of business, I want to make sure that we fully understand the costs and benefits of moving forward. Before I vote to approve any CCA model, I will need to have a high level of confidence that any CCA model that we might pursue will offer rates that are competitive, if not cheaper, than those currently offered by PG&E.

ESD will continue to research the feasibility of offering this to our residents and the Council will discuss CCA in early 2017.



## Santa Clara County Veterans' Day Parade

Several thousand attended the Santa Clara County Veterans' Day Parade in downtown San Jose on Nov. 11. The parade honored those who honor us by serving. The event celebrated the 97th anniversary of Armistice Day. The parade began at Cesar Chavez Park and continued down Delmas along Santa Clara to Market Street and ended at San Carlos Street. San Jose City Council Member **Johnny Khamis** (top, right) participated at the annual parade.



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RAM TRUCK ENGINE BONUS CASH**	-\$1,000
RAM CA BC RETAIL CONSUMER CASH*	-\$1,500
CHRYSLER CAPITAL CASH**	-\$500
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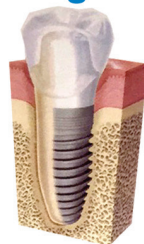
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## Times Feature

# Finding Uncle Charlie's will might be a challenging endeavor

This week's question:

Many years ago, when I was a little girl, my Uncle Charlie told me that he set aside a special present in his will for me since I was his favorite niece. He said that no one was to know about that until he passed on. Well, he passed on three years ago and our family has been looking for his will or his living trust ever since, all to no avail. Do you have any ideas about how to find the will?

**Patsy P.**

*Almaden Valley*

Dear Patsy,

The first thing I would do is to look in all of the typical places that a will might be found, such as Uncle Charlie's safe deposit box, desk at home, and other places like that. Every conceivable place should be checked.

Let us assume that you or others have searched everywhere, including the contacting of all pertinent family members, and that the will still cannot be found.

Although it is a long shot, you might also check with Uncle Charlie's attorney. We attorneys are held to strict rules about the care of wills in our possession, for obvious reasons.

These rules are stated quite clearly in the California Probate Code, Sections 700 to

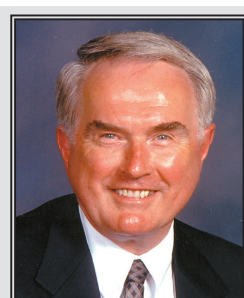
734, and others. Almaden Times readers can review these rules for themselves by going to their computer and bringing them up on their screens. Consultation with your own attorney might be helpful as well.

Some basic terminology should be noted first, such as a "deposit" being the delivery of a document by a "depositor" to any attorney for safekeeping or authorization by a "depositor" for any attorney to retain a document for safekeeping.

A "depositor" is defined as a natural person, such as Uncle Charlie, who deposits the person's document with an attorney.

An "attorney" means an individual licensed to practice law in the state of California.

A "document" is defined as a signed original will, declaration of trust, trust amendment, or other document modifying a will or trust, a signed original power of attorney, a signed original nomination of conservator, or any other signed original instrument that



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the attorney and the depositor agree in writing to make subject to the rules.

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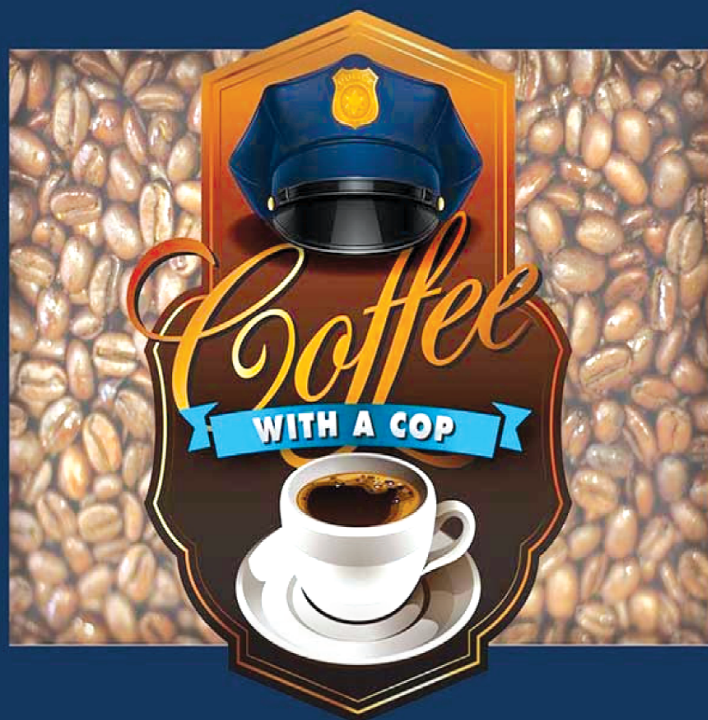
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So, Patsy, you can see that there are a few possibilities to check out in the search for Uncle Charlie's will. Best wishes in that challenging endeavor.

**Donald J. DeVries**

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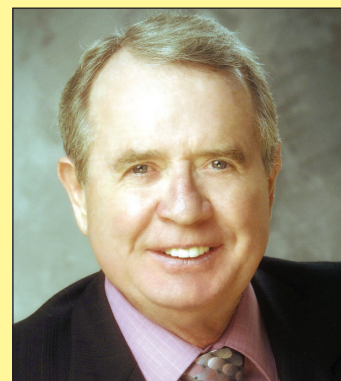
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