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WHEEL LIFE

Chaboya P.E. teachers are enthusiastic about the new cycling program. They completed Specialized' professional safe cycling skills training last fall and are ready to teach biking and bike safety as a standard unit in their P.E. classes. Left to right: Kim Fellows, Linda Rhodes, Allison Espejo, Chris Connolly and John Colendich.

Chaboya Middle School first school based cycling program in Evergreen School District

Bike riding now a part of Chaboya Middle School P.E. class

By William Bellou
Publisher

Chaboya Middle School received 50 youth bicycles, helmets and biometric tools as part of The Specialized Foundation Riding for Focus pro-

gram on March 21.

Boy Scout Aiden Theocheung was instrumental in obtaining the donation from Specialized. The Riding for Focus is a physical education curriculum designed to introduce students to cycling's positive effects on academics, health and well-being.

"I thought it would be a good idea to help my school," said Theocheung. Biking is good for it helps all kids and keeps you focused, and biking helps in using your energy in a positive way."

In the backdrop of Chaboya's

school gym with twenty-three banners hanging that honor all sports accomplishments throughout the years, fifty unopened neatly stacked boxes of helmets lined the walls. Students quickly put on the chin straps that wrapped around their ears. As they sped away flickering LED lights flashed on the back of the helmets.

Recent research has shown bike riding benefits all students, with notable results for those with learning differences such as ADHD. The curriculum has been built based on

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Students and their families explored hands-on demos and enjoyed performing various experiments.

Silver Oak Elementary School opens first STEAM lab in Evergreen School District

By Stacey Barck
Special to the Times

Hundreds attended Silver Oak Elementary School's 2017 STEAM Night and the much-anticipated Fab Lab - Full STEAM Ahead grand opening of its new science lab on Thursday, March 2.

STEAM stands for Science,

Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics.

Students and their families explored hands-on demos and enjoyed launching ping-pong balls and balloon rockets, making the ever-popular SLIME, and playing with the MindCub3r Robot.

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Evergreen Medical Center hosts open house April 8

Evergreen's newest and most modern Medical facility, Evergreen Medical Center, is holding an open house from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on April 8.

The open house will feature music, food, drinks and a raffle where participants can enter to win a Fitbit 2, Kindle Fire, and many other prizes.

Evergreen Medical Center is located at 2365 Quimby Road San Jose, CA 95122.



Dhadhi Vaars is a group of three singers that performed with musical instruments telling stories that inspire.

Sikh Hola Mahalla Festival attracts more than 10,000 people of various religions at Gurdwara

By Kevin Larsen
Times Staff Writer

The Sikh Gurdwara hosted a very special event, Hola Mahalla, attracting more than 10,000 people of various religions on March 19.

Gurdwara, the largest Sikh Temple in North America, invited everyone to attend by running a full page ad in the *Evergreen Times*. The well planned event, brought thousands from all over

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Times **Local News**

23rd annual Spring Garden Market by the Santa Clara County Master Gardeners to be held April 8

Are you getting ready to plant some great veggies or flowers in your garden?

The 23rd annual Spring Garden Market by the Santa Clara County Master Gardeners will be held on Saturday, April 8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at History Park San Jose, 635 Phelan Way.

The Santa Clara County Master Gardeners will include a premier plant sale, sustainable gardening showcase and vendor fair at beautiful History Park San Jose.

Delicious and unusual pepper seedlings from around the world - India, South America, Mexico, Africa, USA and more will be sold. Sweet and juicy or searing hot, you'll find many choices to please your palate.

Seventy five varieties of delicious tomato seedlings, from huge beefsteaks to bite-size cherry tomatoes, both heirloom and modern varieties, in a rainbow of colors are offered.

All have been trialed by UC Master Gardeners and chosen for great flavor, productivity, and vigor.

Herbs, ornamental flowers and succulents will be available in sampler packs and individual varieties, succulent arrangements, too.

Gardening Talks will be presented from experts about growing great tomatoes, what to do with pests in your garden, irrigation techniques, and more. Talks run 45 minutes each and start at 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Arrive early and bring your totes! Children's activities, vendors and food trucks too.

We even have daycare for your precious plants so you can take advantage of everything. Service dogs only, please.

Get a list of available plants, talks and vendors and more from the MG website: mgsantaclara.ucanr.edu/events

Youth basketball begins March 17th thru May 26th at Chaboya

Open to all 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders

Teen Basketball at Chaboya Middle School begins Friday, March. 17th, for all interested Evergreen-area boys and girls in sixth and seventh grade regardless of the school they are attending. Sign-ups will continue until the 80 available slots are full.

This is a co-ed league with no more than ten players on each team. This is a "funpetitive" league and everyone receives 2 full quarters of playing time. Practices are usually no more than once a week and we are looking for coaches (most coaches practice right before their game). Cost for the league is \$130 which includes a game jersey, 6 games and play-offs, personal lanyard, participation medal, 1st and 2nd place trophies and gym rental.

For more information or to register, phone (408) 605-1513, John Franza. You can also stop by Chaboya, or e-mail E.A.S.Y. Hoops Basketball at easyhoopsbasketball@yahoo.com to obtain a registration form.



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Administrators, teachers, and student dancers all joined to celebrate the life of Carolyn A. Clark on March 25 at Carolyn A. Clark Elementary School.

Community comes together for Carolyn A. Clark 'Celebration of Life' event

By William D. Bellou
Publisher

After an early morning downpour, the sun came out upon the arrival of 200 people to attend a “Celebration of Life” event for Carolyn A. Clark on March 25 at the school named in her honor.

Carolyn, often referred to as the “Face of Evergreen Valley” passed away on January 23, 2017. She served the Evergreen School District as an elected official for 35 years before retiring and leaving Carolyn A. Clark Elementary School as her legacy.

The event celebrated Carolyn’s life, her accomplishments, her contributions to the School District and her passion for children and the performing arts. The master of ceremonies for the event was Surya Mehta, a student at Carolyn A. Clark elementary school.

Family members greeted the community, which included teachers, administrators, board members, parents and students. Some traveled thousands of miles to pay their respects for Carolyn. Former San Jose Vice-Mayor Rose Herrera said “I came to honor Carolyn and recognize her contributions that helped build one

of the most successful, vibrant, all-inclusive school districts in the nation.”

The arts were front and center during the event, including songs, poetry, dancing, and much more. The opening song, “What a Wonderful World,” was sung by students attending Carolyn Clark School. Carolyn’s grandson Joshua received numerous accolades for a dance he dedicated to his “Nonnie.” Several current and former students of Carolyn A. Clark Elementary School performed a dance to the song “Somewhere Over the Rainbow,” which was choreographed by Penny Bank. The song “Thank You” was performed by Bianca Argao.

The uplifting event included speakers, including Carolyn’s son, Michael, Carolyn’s nine grandchildren, former Evergreen School District Superintendent, Clif Black, and Gina Juarez, Principal, Carolyn Clark Elementary



Clark’s son Michael

School, and Carolyn’s very close friend, Missy Marsh, Librarian, Quimby Oak Middle School.

Juarez said, “Carolyn was a beacon of light for the Evergreen School District. She loved this school and our students. She loved the performing arts and she would attend most of the school performances here at the school. The very last performance was held at Carolyn’s home as she was too weak to come to the school.

“When the board of trustees hired me for this job I received a congratulations call from outgoing Superintendent Jim Smith,” Black recalled. “He told me to

lead, not follow other school districts, and don’t get in trouble with Carolyn Clark.” Black said Carolyn was passionate about children in the district and always promoted the importance of including performing arts throughout the school district.

“Carolyn, although she was very sick, wanted to know everything that was going on in the School District,” said March. “It kept her happy. She made me promise she would not be alone when the end was near, and I tried to keep that promise. When we realized that Carolyn was on the decline, her many friends came to visit her. It made her feel so very special. For all of those who visited her during her last days, I want to thank all of you. I miss my wonderful friend... We can take solace in the legacy of Carolyn Clark.”

Those attending Carolyn’s Celebration of Life event wore her favorite color red, and her school colors, yellow and blue.

Editor’s note: Please consider donating to the Carolyn A. Clark Memorial Fund. Make checks payable to Carolyn A. Clark Memorial Fund, C/O Carolyn A. Clark Elementary School, 2701 Rue Mirassou, San Jose, CA 95148.



Carolyn A. Clark’s grandchildren all joined to honor the memory of their “Nonnie.”

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Times News

Banerjee harassed at Village Square Farmer's Market

By Sean Eastwood
Times staff writer

U.S. Congressman Ro Khanna reported that Indrajit Banerjee, a Physics Ph.D and an American citizen for more than 40 years, was verbally harassed outside a farmer's market at Village Square in Evergreen earlier this month.

"During these times, Silicon Valley must be a role model for our nation. We need to show the nation that immigrants contribute to our economic success and hate speech or hate crimes are un-American," said Khanna.

"Almost every Sunday I go to the Village Square farmer's market to do some shopping and stop at the Evergreen Coffee Shop to chat with some friends," said Banerjee. "Today was no different, except for the incident, at approximately 11:15 a.m. When I got out of my car with my shopping bag, I suddenly heard shouts 'Hey are you an American'"

– a few times. I turned around and found the person talking to me. I answered "yes"...the person, in the van continued – 'why are you driving a foreign car? Why are you not buying an American car?'"

"I decided to ignore the person and started walking fast out of the parking lot," continued Banerjee. "He pulled the van beside me and continued 'Go back where you came from if you don't like America.' At this point I was scared, since recently I had read of several cases of people being killed in other states with rhetoric in similar lines. I dialed 911... the person noticed and started asking 'do you think I will beat you up?' The operator at the other end of the line asked me a whole lot of questions during which time the van drove away. A while later I received a call from the police department saying that they had no officers available and they could send someone later to my house."



Dragon Festival at Children's Discovery Museum April 1-2

Children of the Dragon Festival is part of the Children's Discovery Museums Cultural Celebration series which will be presented Saturday April 1, and Sunday April 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and 12 noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Vietnamese culture will be presented with lively music, colorful dances including the famous Lion Dance, and culturally rich hands-on art activities. Here's a chance to get to know the customs and traditions of family, friends, and neighbors at this fun weekend celebration.

ACTIVITIES:

- Learn how rice cakes are folded
- Make and decorate your own conical hat
- Dress up in traditional clothes (áo dài)
- Take a picture in a xich-lo
- Create a dragon puppet
- Fashion a scroll

MUSIC AND DANCE:

SATURDAY:

- 1:00-1:30 Lion Dance by Buu Kim Tu
 - 2:00-2:30 Dance by Wing of the Hundred Viet
 - 3:00-3:30 Dance by Tuổi Thần Tiên
 - 4:00-4:30 Drumming and dance by Vietnamese Lasallian Youth Group
- SUNDAY:**
- 1:00-1:30 Lion Dance by Buu Kim Tu
 - 2:00-2:30 Dance by Rocketship Mosaic School
 - 3:00-3:45 Dance by Viet Entertainment Group and Me Linh Youth

Cost of admission: adults: \$13; children: \$13; seniors: \$12; infants and members are free. Festivities are included in the price of admission. Children of the Dragon Festival is created in partnership with the Museum's Vietnamese Cultural Advisors.

The Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose is located at 180 Woz Way in San Jose.

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Times News



Cesar Chavez family and friends visited the downtown library. Caesar Chavez sister **Rita Chavez Medina** is pictured, second from the right.

Labor leader Cesar Chavez celebrated at San Jose library

By Kevin Larsen
Times staff writer

Clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap..., clap... This is the ritual of clapping in unison that is a trademark of all United Farm Worker meeting and rallies.

On Friday, March 17, 2017 for the first time in history, this non-verbal pattern of many hands being put together at Martin Luther King Jr. Library in downtown San Jose was once again revived from history and some believed Cesar was looking on.

With bright vibrant weaved Mexican design, two authentic serapes were laid over top of the podium. To the right a one of a kind display was seen which contained historical photos and artifacts from the history of the United Farm Workers movement.

"When he looked at you with those eyes and that smile... you just had to go along with what he wanted you to do," said Cesar Chavez' sister, Rita Chavez Medina, who is now in her nineties, shared so much during the evening about personal stories of her and her brother and the United Farm Worker movement.

"I get very emotional when talking about my brother Cesar, he made me do a lot of things I never thought I could do," said Medina. She said for the past sixty four years she has been working in elections and registering people to vote. It was Cesar that nudged her to begin this and she continued throughout the years ahead. Cesar said to her, "I have found a person to process Note of Republic, to which Rita responded, "who." To which Cesar responded, "You." To which Rita responded, "no, not me." To which Cesar won out by saying, "you are going to do good!" From that day and for twenty four years after that she obtained authority to act as a Note of Republic.

Medina stated that one time Cesar asked her to set up a United Farm Workers meeting. He was not sure he would get there on time. As the meeting time came closer he called her. He said to her, "I can't make the meeting, but I have just the right person to run it." She replied, "Who?" He replied, "You." She said back no! He said, "yes and you're going to do good!" Later that evening Cesar called after the meeting was concluded and all went home. He asked, "How did the meeting go, how many came?" She responded, "I'm sorry but no one came,"

and then after silence (one can only imagine Cesar's puzzled thoughts) she said, "no, many came... you got me so I got you back," (one can envision the smile that discussion gave Cesar and this is an example of the playful banter that existed in how Cesar and those he touched worked together in the United Farm Worker movement.

President of Chavez Family Vision Speaks

Barbara Median Aranda spoke about Cesar. "In 1980 I helped by working in the legal department of La Vos. I remember my uncle always carried a book in his hand.

Also, she stated, "If you wouldn't do your job, he would call you on it." He made you uplifted to do a job you thought you might not be able to do. It was hard work and he was a great teacher. He was very funny and would make jokes during down time. He was very lovable, supportive and always stressed the importance of education in wanting all to go to college. He was very willing to talk to you and would listen when you came to him with a problem."

United Auto Workers in Fremont helped United Farm Workers

"My father was Cesar's friend." "The U.A.W. was the first large union to put resources toward the U.F.W. and my dad, Eloy Campus made a connection with Cesar," stated Xavier Campos (Vice President of Chavez Family Vision). He stated that his father grew up picking cotton and then sugar cane. He moved into a factory job at the Fremont auto plant (now home of TESLA).

"One of my memories is of my father bringing our whole family to La Vos meetings. I did not realize the magnitude of the history I was involved in. My parents explained to us the importance of this man Cesar Chavez and what he meant to our country.

That is the spirit of Cesar Chavez

It was stated by many that Cesar always was reading and always carried a book in his hand. When he talked he made others realize they could do things they thought they could not. He would listened to others, find out what the person liked and could thrive at, then this brought the best out of folks because they got to do things they wanted to do.

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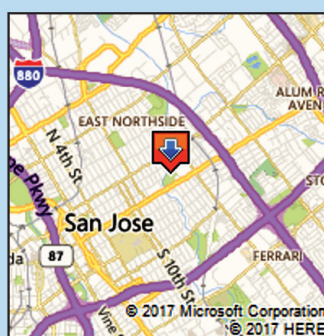
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You're invited to join Mayor Liccardo, community leaders and your neighbors to our #BeautifySJ Grassroots Kickoff on April 5.

We'll have breakout sessions, networking opportunities and ask for your feedback in creating a much more engaged city - all building to the April 22 Great American Litter Pickup.

Please email Paul Pereira with any questions or to register for the event. And thank you for your time and commitment to our city.

We hope to see you there.

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The Chavez Family Vision Project is participating in a march on April 2 in solidarity with the UFW RESIST Marches which will be held throughout the state of California. The march will start at 11:30 a.m. on April 2nd meeting at Roosevelt Park and marching to downtown San Jose. Pictured above: Cesar Chavez participating in a historical march supporting farm workers. *Courtesy Chavez Family Vision Project.*

Chavez

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Safeway and picketing against purchase of grapes happened there. Campos recalled that when he was six years old he walked with many on the corner of White Road and Alum Rock. Chavez said he recalled a pick-up truck pass by and the people in it yelling out negative things about the picket signs and people. This was his first experience of racism.

San Jose only city to hoist United Farm Worker Flag in America

Campos and others went through the process of gaining approval by the San Jose City Council and Mayor in years past to get the United Farm Workers flag to be flown at city hall once a year.

"The flag represents and honors this historical and peaceful movement in America," said Campos. "Our city has also established the Cesar Chavez Memorial Walkway which

has seven important landmarks." On the display at the event was seen actual United Farm Worker flags and some commented that their condition is excellent. The newness of the flags represented that the United Farm Worker movement is still very close to current history.

Chavez Family Vision non-profit project

A plaque was presented by library representatives Elizabeth Castaneda and Nancy Macias (both initiated the event) to the Chavez family. The audience were shown an informative film and got the opportunity to ask many questions of each family member.

It was explained that when Cesar died he was buried in a coffin made by his brother. What he started and believed in is still alive. The Chavez Family Vision organization, the public library and all others help our world by honoring Cesar and the United Farm Worker Movement. The movement lives on!

For more information on the Chavez Family Vision go to: <http://chavezfamilyvision.org/>

City Council, police, counseling center to offer presentations

By Charlie Wasser
Special to the Times

We have some interesting programs coming up over the next few weeks at the Rotary Club of San Jose East/Evergreen Valley.

After the description of the programs, there will be several community service opportunities described.

We are being searched out and found by the groups that need the assistance. This is a good thing because we are obviously getting the word out that Rotary has a strong presence in the East Side of San Jose and Evergreen.

On April 6, San Jose Council Member Raul Peralez will be the speaker. Council Member Raul Peralez will discuss San Jose today and where Rotary can assist. He will also include his bio. His bio is similar to others we have all met from the East Side and now as adults are giving back to their own communities to help



Rotary Report

Charlie Wasser,
SJ East/Evergreen

improve the lives of the residents.

On April 13, Captain Michael Kihmm of the San Jose Police Department will discuss "21st Century Policing"-Strengthening community policing and trust among law enforcement officers and the communities they serve.

On May 4, Steve Eckert will discuss Counseling at Risk Youth. Steve is the Chief Executive Officer, Alum Rock Counseling Center will look at what issues are facing kids today. We are again focusing on trauma as we started field focus-

ing on that in the 80's, and there is a refocus.

As always, we meet on Thursdays at the Ranch Golf Club, 4601 Hill Top View Ln, San Jose, CA 95138.

We start to gather at 12 noon and the meeting starts by 12:15 pm. The speaker is on at 1:00 p.m. and ends at 1:30 p.m. Hope to see you when you have time to visit us.

Times Remembrance

George Colacicco, longtime Evergreen resident, Ham Radio advocate

By Supervisor Dave Cortese

Special to the Times

As a young man growing up along San Felipe Road in the 1950s, I often tell people what it was like to be a kid back then. There were only nine homes on our water system, not 25,000 like there are now in Evergreen.

There were few kids to play with but lots of really good adult mentors in the community. One of those was my neighbor George Colacicco, who passed away on March 11.

His loss caused me to reflect on what he was like as a man. He was a good man. For me, as a “farm boy” living on an apricot and prune orchard, George’s work and hobbies were quite the attraction. Much like Hewlett and Packard, George had converted his garage into an electronics shop—a laboratory of sorts where a kid could step into a world of audio and video electronics that was rapidly changing by the day. George seemed to master it all, building equipment, repairing equipment and bringing together hybrid electronics that fixed things or took performance to an all new level. It’s a wonder that he didn’t invent the personal computer himself!

To support his family, he took his talents on the road and made house calls that reassured his customers that their consumer electronics could be made as good as new with a simple phone call to George. There was hardly a part of San Jose where he wasn’t present at one time or another.

George will also be remembered as a talented Ham Radio operator. He had an 80-

foot tower antenna in front of the family home on San Felipe, and during the December holidays, the Tower was lit up with Christmas lights that could be seen from far and wide. Most profound was his ability to “patch in” phone calls from parents of military personnel in Vietnam directly to them in combat locations. I sat with George and listened to many of those emotional conversations. Who knows how many of those calls were the last communication between family members.

We will miss George. But somewhere in the heavens he is calling out his HAM call letters to of us: “This is K6GZedK.”

The following is an obituary written by his family:

George Salvatore Colacicco was born on October 22, 1925, to Matteo and Mary Colacicco in Saratoga, and grew up in Evergreen Valley. When George was 3, an accident resulted in the loss of an eye and the tips of three fingers on his right hand.

George attended Evergreen Elementary school, Roosevelt High school and San Jose City College, where he majored in electronics. When George was 18, he met Delia Polillo. They married October 14, 1944, and had five children, Theodore, George, David, Susan and Chris.

In George’s early working year’s, he worked at the Beechnut plant on the mid-night shift producing baby food. Tired of working at night, he found a better opportunity with Bischoff’s surgical supply. George then went into business for himself, and opened TeleTronics, selling and repairing tel-



George Colacicco (Photo: linkedin.com)

evisions, radios and communications equipment. Over time, putting in long arduous hours, his business grew and became a success. When asked how he was able to do it, he said that he never considered his handicap to be an impediment, but rather the driving force to overcome obstacles, and succeed.

Later on, he sold TeleTronics and started another business called Telecom, selling transmitters and receivers to Ham Radio hobbyists. Ham radio was George’s passion. He held a certificate in Morse code for close to 60 years. He enjoyed talking to other Ham operators all over the world. He was intrigued by how a radio signal could travel so far helping people connect with one another. During the Vietnam War, he would voluntarily run phone patches between the pilots and their families so they could talk to one another. For his service, George held certificates of merit for his volunteer work with

the Military Affiliated Radio System (MARS) and for the Department of Defense.

In 1983, he communicated with the space shuttle Columbia using his HAM radio. George owned two repeaters on Mt. Hamilton called the Condor network, facilitating network communications with handheld radios. Finally, at age 75, with all of their children grown, George and Delia sold their Evergreen home of 70 years and moved to Rancho Mirage. They continued to stay active with their friends, and joined the Citizens on Patrol program, where George provided dispatch communication for the group.

George loved to travel with Delia, taking Amtrak across the United States. He also enjoyed taking long walks with Delia, and when he could no longer walk, he learned to use a computer. George was able to continue his HAM radio communication with computerized HAM websites. He spoke to other HAM radio operators all over the world, always making new friends.

George passed away on March 11, 2017, in Rancho Mirage. He is survived by his wife, Delia Colacicco; sons Tam MacArthur (spouse Linda); George Colacicco (spouse Blanca); daughter Susan D’Errico (spouse John); and son Chris Colacicco. Grandchildren, Anthony Colacicco (spouse Jane), Brian MacArthur, Richard Rucker, and Tristan Colacicco; great-grandchildren Matteo Stout, Keaton Rucker, and Kalila Rucker, and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held at Oakhill Cemetery in San Jose.

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Times **Local News**

Parents hear school closing or repurposing recommendations at March 14 meeting

By Frank Shortt
Times staff writer

Proposals going forward to consider closing or repurposing two elementary schools in the Evergreen School District were presented at the March 23 Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC).

The schools being evaluated for possible closure or repurpose include Laurelwood, Cadwallader, O.B. Whaley, Dove Hill and Montgomery. The most likely candidates for repurposing are Laurelwood and Dove Hill.

The Evergreen School District website

under Facilities Advisory Committee states, "The Facilities Advisory Committee was created by the Board of Trustees to ultimately deliver a set of recommendations to the Board of Trustees as to how it might *maximize the use of its facilities to both serve the community and perhaps generate revenue*. The Board is not obligated to adopt these recommendations..."

At the March 14 Facilities Advisory Committee meeting and the March 23 FAC meeting a Facilities Advisory Committee Presentation pamphlet was handed out to the

audiences. These meetings are on audio and can be listened to by going to the FAC web page of the Evergreen School District website.

Here is the information on page 10, 11, and 12 of that pamphlet as presented by the FAC committee at the two open to the public meetings in March 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Martin Property (on San Felipe Road) Develop property to generate revenue
- Meadowfair School (this was a proposed new school): not economically viable at this

point of enrollment decline, and if you did, you would need to repurpose a third school.

■ Laurelwood (current Elementary School): Repurpose and consolidate with Cadwallader and other neighboring schools

■ Dove Hill (current Elementary School): Repurpose and change boundaries to accommodate students in neighboring schools.

At the March 9 school board meeting the demographer for the school district presented a report about the fluctuation and decline of enrollment experienced in our area and others (this report is available to the public and it is under item Agenda 5.1 of Board Docs from the school board meeting). Here is an excerpt from that report:

The report speaks of suggesting that two schools be repurposed in the Evergreen School District and the area focused on is the area termed the "West Central Region," (which is to south of Aborn Road and Capital Expressway).

(Page 21) of the demographer's report states, "Since Laurelwood is the least centrally located of these four schools in this Central West Region (referring to Evergreen School District boundaries), that may be the first optimal choice for repurposing.

Attendance boundary scenarios can be created for any two of the other three schools (Montgomery, Dove Hill, and Cadwallader)..." The demographer leaves the choices of which schools to be repurposed to be decided by others.

The Facilities Advisory Committee is scheduled to turn in their report of suggestions to the Evergreen School District Board of Trustees on Thursday April 13th. This may be done at a school board meeting on an agenda item and perhaps the report will be posted and public comment will be welcomed. One can always e mail the school board members by going to "Trustees" on the school district website or speak during public comment time at any school board meeting.

There were a number of comments made during and after the meetings:

"We are promised by our leaders, during their campaigns that they will insure that our children are fully educated, their welfare will be insured and a healthy environment will be provided for these comforts. But alas, just as soon as budget season arrives in every school district throughout the state of California the same cry goes up; "Our coffers are empty for education! There is no money left for frivolities! There is no money to pay our custodians and instructors! Schools will have to be closed or layoffs occur in order to meet the crisis!" The question arose, "Where is all the funding going from all the bonds, parcel taxes, lotteries, (yes many taxpayers have forgotten that the State Lottery was approved in order to fund education throughout California), and State funding provided by the taxpayers of the richest state in the Union? It seems that the proverbial 'Cookie Jar' has been invaded by the hands of sweets- loving children to spend on committees set up to figure out how to spend this windfall of tax money."

Others wondered, "There are committees for this and committees for that and by the

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Recommendations

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time the money dwindles down to the poor children, they are told, "Sorry, we cannot have a music program; sorry we cannot have an arts program; we can only provide for basic educational programs in a class room not properly cleaned because we had to cut the custodial program down to twice a week cleaning."

Additional comments included: "The 'Cookie Jars' should be overflowing as poor men and women take their last dollar and purchase a lottery ticket in hopes of instant wealth. Isn't it time that someone took a look at where all these millions, even billions of Lottery monies are going? Do we need another committee in the Evergreen School District to see how to disperse the Measure H funds? Where does the Finance Department come in at the District level? Shouldn't they be taking a hand to insure that there is equality throughout the District? Does the Evergreen School District have an active representative in Sacramento who can lobby the State for more funding for the programs so desperately needed by the local schools? What about equality for each school? Shouldn't funding be sent out equally to each neighborhood? The School Board in each district is there to insure that equitable funding is provided to every school, no matter if the board member happens to live near that school. It is not time for school closures but it is time for reevaluating our priorities. Is educating our children important or not? Will the Measure H funds be spent in order to cut down class sizes as was promised when the taxpayers approved it?"

Measure H

The Measure H Parcel Tax, which was passed in the last election, provides competitive and safe learning environments to enhance student achievement by improving hands-on science, technology, and math instruction, keep class sizes low, improve teacher quality and training, protect arts/music programs and libraries, and ensure adequate student supervision and safety. If class sizes are lowered by measure H, this would compensate for less funding from the state as enrollment declines. (This was taken from the original Measure H brochure to entice citizens of Evergreen to vote for the Measure). They also would like to remind the District that not one time has a bond issue or parcel tax been turned down by the citizens of Evergreen as far back as anyone can remember.)

The State Controller's Office determines how much Lottery funding each county Office of Education or school district is allowed based on the average daily attendance data provided by the

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State Department of Education and California Community Colleges.

In order to ascertain where lottery funding goes, visit: <http://www.calottery.com/giving-back/education/where-money-goes>. It is surprising how much money is being sent to school districts.

Evergreen's Hom family celebrates the grand opening of Vitality Bowls in South San Jose

By William Bellou
Publisher

The Hom family, residents of Evergreen Valley, celebrated the recent opening of their 5660 Cottle Rd. location.

The Hom family advocates safe eating for people with food allergies, the main reason they decided to open the new restaurant which is food allergy free. The Homs lost their son BJ to a food allergy in 2008.

"We are so thrilled to open my first Vitality Bowls location," said Brian. "My wife and I have been wanting to provide people with a healthy fast casual food alternative as well as a safe place for people with food allergies. This will be a haven where people can feel good about eating out."

The restaurant menu features a variety of options, such as the Energy Bowl (with organic acai, goji berries and bee pollen), the Dragon Bowl (featuring organic pitaya, coconut milk and bananas) and the signature Vitality Bowl (with organic acai, strawberries and honey). Additionally, the brand recently announced exclusive additions to its kids menu. Fresh juices, organic soups, panini and salads are also available.



The Hom family celebrates the grand opening of Vitality Bowls with a ribbon cutting event. Pictured (l to right) are: San Jose City Councilman Sergio Jimenez, Former San Jose Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, Kathy Hom, Brian Hom, Steven Hom and Brandon Hom.



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2018 Dodge Durango SRT is fastest, most powerful SUV

By Sean Eastwood
Times staff writer

The fastest SUV on the planet will be arriving later this year and all 2018 Durango SRT buyers will receive one full-day session at the Bob Bondurant School of High Performance Driving.

The new Durango SRT SUV can haul in every way imaginable. It's powered by a 475 hp 6.4-liter Hemi V8 shared with the Dodge Challenger. The all-wheel-drive SRT can accelerate from 0-60 mph in 4.4 sec. and run the quarter-mile in 12.9 sec.

"The new 2018 Dodge Durango SRT is America's fastest, most powerful and most capable three-row SUV," said Tim Kuniskis, Head of Passenger Dodge, SRT, Chrysler and FIAT. "This is what you get, when you take everything great about the Durango and combine it with the performance of the Charger SRT: a 12-second quarter mile, toy-hauling, three-row muscle car."

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New interior appointments include a hand-wrapped instrument panel with live silver accent stitch, SRT performance steering wheel with SRT paddle shifters and heated and ventilated front and heated second-row captain's chairs.

best horsepower and torque ratings and making the new Dodge Durango SRT the fastest, most powerful and most capable three-row SUV. Its new exhaust system tuned to offer an unmistakably deep, high-performance Dodge SRT exhaust note modeled after



the Dodge Charger SRT.

Stopping power

The Durango SRT gets a set of high performance Brembo brakes, a stiffer suspension with computer-controlled adaptive dampers to better blend ride comfort and handling, deep bucket seats (even in the back rows) to hold you in place in the turns, and a beefy T-bar shifter for its 8-speed automatic transmission because it just feels right.

Ride and handling

The Dodge Durango SRT rides on a short- and long-arm (SLA) independent front suspension with coil springs, specially tuned Bilstein adaptive damping suspension (ADS), upper- and lower-control arms ("A" arms) and a stabilizer bar. Additional changes include three percent stiffer front springs, 16 percent stiffer rear springs and an 18 percent stiffer rear sway bar to provide Durango SRT drivers with outstanding high-speed cornering capability.

New Durango interior

New interior appointments, including a hand-wrapped instrument panel with live silver accent stitch, SRT flat-bottom performance steering wheel with SRT paddle shifters, heated and ventilated front and heated second-row captain's chairs with embossed SRT logos. A new digital instrument cluster includes a 180 mph speedometer, although Dodge has not yet confirmed the Durango SRT's top speed.

Exterior appointments excite

With its wide body style, and a vented hood similar to the one used by the 707 hp Dodge Charger Hellcat which provides cold-air duct and heat extractors to cool the engine and improve overall performance. New exterior performance features include wide body exterior design and functional SRT hood with center air inlet duct flanked by heat extractors, as well as a new front fascia and lower

valence to house new cold-air duct and LED fog lamps. Standard leather and suede, available high-performance Red Laguna leather seating and new carbon-fiber trim distinguish Durango SRT's performance interior. Tires available include the new Pirelli 295/45ZR20 Scorpion Verde all-season tires or available Pirelli P Zero three-season tires

Standard TorqueFlite eight-speed automatic transmission specifically calibrated for the Dodge Durango SRT to optimize shift points and deliver maximum torque to all four wheels. New driver-oriented electronic T-shifter, standard on all 2018 Durango models, provides the driver with intuitive gear selection and offers an Auto Stick selector gate for added control.

The SRT seven-mode drive system gives the driver the ability to precisely adjust drive settings to maximize performance or comfort. New Sport Mode reduces shift times by up to 50 percent versus Auto Mode and delivers up to 65 percent of the 392 HEMI engine's torque to the rear wheels. The new Track Mode delivers maximum performance track driving with 160-millisecond shifts and up to 70 percent of engine torque to the rear wheels for the most pronounced rear-wheel-drive experience

The 2018 Dodge Durango SRT is built at the 3-million-square-foot Jefferson North Assembly Plant in Detroit, which has been the site of Durango production since its introduction in the 2011 model year.

The price of the new Durango hasn't been announced, either, but is expected to be priced at \$68,000. South County Chrysler- Dodge-Jeep is expected to offer pricing incentives for qualified buyers.

For more information, contact Scott DePeralta or Adam Warduck at South County Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep; 455 Automall Drive, Gilroy, CA 95020; (888) 470-4578.



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Pothole repairs started shortly after an *Evergreen Times* article titled appeared about the state of the local roadways.

Temporary relief for Evergreen Valley commuters

By Frank Shortt
Times staff writer

The City of San Jose Transportation Department was so concerned by the *Evergreen Times* March 3 article titled "Evergreen Valley plagued with potholes" they took action.

Anxious motorists had voiced their unease about the disarray of streets due to all the rain we have had this past season. Streets have become cracked and breaking

apart because of lack of filling and sealing in past seasons.

When asphalt is not properly sealed, water from rains can seep underneath and cause deterioration. Smaller potholes become much larger as a mixture of rain and heavy use occurs and the decayed asphalt breaks apart.

Transportation Department officials began to send out crews immediately after the *Evergreen Times* story ran about the pothole problem. Crews fixed rutted areas of Ruby and Flint Avenues with temporary repairs.

It is expected that more extensive maintenance will happen in the future to prevent further deterioration. Some areas will require removal and replacement of deteriorated asphalt. This, of course, takes time and a lot of money.

Evergreen residents Melvin and Karen Ringue are happy to see their tax dollars being utilized for the purposes intended. Garages and body shops will be less attended as potholes suddenly disappear with a new layer of new asphalt.

It has been noticed that the potholes on Silver Creek Valley Road are being cared for also, as well as, Yerba Buena Road. The latter takes a terrible beating as this is one of the main arteries used by students attending Evergreen Community College.

It is hoped that traffic problems that have arisen due to chaos caused by the saddened conditions of our streets will soon subside.

Thanks to all who expressed their concerns.

WATER DISTRICT REPORT

After the floods: risk reduction efforts continue

In the last four decades, the Santa Clara Valley Water District has invested more than a billion dollars in reducing flood risks, protecting more than 93,000 properties in previously flood-prone areas. As the flood protection agency for the county, the water district works to protect as many parcels as possible through strategically designed flood protection projects and annual stream maintenance which includes sediment removal, bank repair and vegetation management.

However, flood risks still exist in our county, with more than 66,000 parcels in flood-prone areas. The water district currently has 18 projects underway to minimize this risk. Flood protection projects are a large and multi-faceted undertaking that include planning, design and construction phases, and oftentimes a permitting phase after design. In the initial stages of each project, it is essential to gather support and evaluate existing risks, potential benefits, environmental impacts and costs. Support from the community and agencies at local, state and even federal levels is crucial for a successful project.

As seen with the improvements to the lower and downtown portions of the Guadalupe River, flood protection projects improve a creek's capacity to withstand strong storm events and protect homes and businesses. Previously downtown San Jose and Alviso experienced historical flooding on multiple occasions in the 1980s and 90s. Both regions, addressed by flood protection projects completed by 2009, were in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. When the upper reaches of the Guadalupe River are completed, the entire project will protect more than 7,500 parcels from a 100-year flood event.

The devastating impacts of the recent flood event along Coyote Creek on President's Day are a reminder that flood risks persist.

During the wettest winter in over 20 years, our watersheds were saturated and increased run-off filled our reservoirs and raised creek levels. Anderson Reservoir, our county's largest reservoir, has received a lot of attention and at times, has been attributed as the source of the flooding. However, there are a few key facts to clarify.

Anderson Reservoir was less than half full on January 1, 2017. Prior to January, we were in a historic drought, and there was no way to predict if we were facing another year of drought. After the first series of storms in January, we began releasing water from the reservoir on January 9, as it became likely that winter storms would fill the reservoir exceeding the seismic safety restrictions. Heavy rainfall from

January and February storms caused more water to flow into the reservoir than we could physically release. The reservoir reached its capacity and began to spill on Feb. 18. The subsequent storms resulted in the largest flow of water ever recorded over Anderson's spillway.

Our hearts go out to those impacted by the recent flooding event. The water district is committed to reducing flood risks in the affected areas of San Jose. Since the President's Day storm event we have reached out to our federal and state legislators for support in seeking assistance and funding to prevent future flooding.

We are also working closely with the City of San Jose to update creek capacity thresholds and develop a joint Emergency Action Plan. At the request of Mayor Liccardo our board of directors approved repurposing up to \$450,000 in an existing contract between the water district and the San Jose Conservation Corps to help the city in

flood response efforts.

In early April, we will also host a series of post-flood community meetings to analyze the event and how we can reduce flood risks in the future. We will need continued community and agency support in reducing flood risks in our region.

Sign up for our newsletter to receive the latest information on upcoming community meetings, project updates and more, at www.valleywater.org.

Submitted on behalf of the Santa Clara Valley Water District. For further information, contact your elected district representative, John Varela.

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Times **Features****City's flood recovery and response effort continues**By **Sam Liccardo***Special to the Times*

In the wake of the tragic Coyote Creek floods, the City of San Jose continues to work tirelessly to both assist residents directly impacted by the flood and better protect residents from floods in the future.

As the San Jose Flood Victims Relief Fund continues to disburse financial assistance to flood victims with the greatest needs (\$1.4 million has been distributed to-date), the City also recently announced the availability of low-interest federal and state loans to help renters, homeowners, businesses and organizations repair and/or replace losses suffered during the floods.

In addition, City leaders have called on property owners with any available units to make them available for displaced flood victims. To learn how you can help, visit SCC's Housing Search portal or call 1-877-428-8844.

At the same time as it focuses on flood recovery efforts, the City continues to improve its emergency preparation and response protocols to protect against future floods. At a March 9 special meeting, City leaders acknowledged the shortcomings in its emergency notification and decision-making protocols and outlined a plan for



From the Mayor
Sam Liccardo

addressing those shortcomings.

Among those recommendations, the City is developing a new multi-tiered threat-level matrix that integrates multiple data points to trigger escalating levels of public advisories and warnings. In addition, the City is improving its public notification protocols to stress earlier warning triggers, multi-language communications, door-to-door outreach, and exploration of better technological tools.

Special thanks to all who continue to assist with the ongoing flood recovery efforts.



Recent local flooding forced Happy Hollow Park and Zoo to relocate animals from the zoo exhibits.

Mayor releases March budget message calling for targeted spending on flood recovery

Amid a challenging fiscal landscape, Mayor Sam Liccardo has released his March Budget Message for the 2017-18 fiscal year calling for a prudent and targeted approach to spending that focuses on the community's highest priorities and most pressing challenges.

"We've made significant progress over the past year in restoring services after a decade of budget cuts," said Mayor Sam Liccardo. "Yet, like many other cities, San Jose continues to be constrained by a variety of larger fiscal forces and challenges. That's why we must remain focused on strategic investments that will create the greatest impact with the scarce dollars available."

Given the challenging fiscal environment, the Mayor's budget message focuses on a few key strategies:

1) In the wake of last month's Coyote

Creek flooding, the Mayor has proposed instituting a number of immediate actions to assist with flood recovery and disaster preparedness.

2) The Mayor has also included proposals that leverage the tremendous energy of San Jose volunteers (exemplified by the recent flood relief effort) to advance the new #BeautifySJ campaign focused on reducing blight, trash and graffiti across San Jose.

3) Since every \$1 invested in preventative road maintenance can save \$4 to \$5 in future repairs, the Mayor has proposed increasing the FY 2017-18 street pavement maintenance allocation to \$50 million, which will allow the City to pave 200 miles next fiscal year.

4) Furthermore, the Mayor has focused his remaining spending proposals on modest allocations that will leverage private funding or resources, create new efficiencies to achieve an even greater impact.

The City Council will discuss and vote on the Mayor's March Budget Message at its March 28 meeting. Following this action, the City Manager will use the direction included in the approved budget message to develop a proposed budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year, which will be released on May 1. The City Council will adopt a final budget in June.



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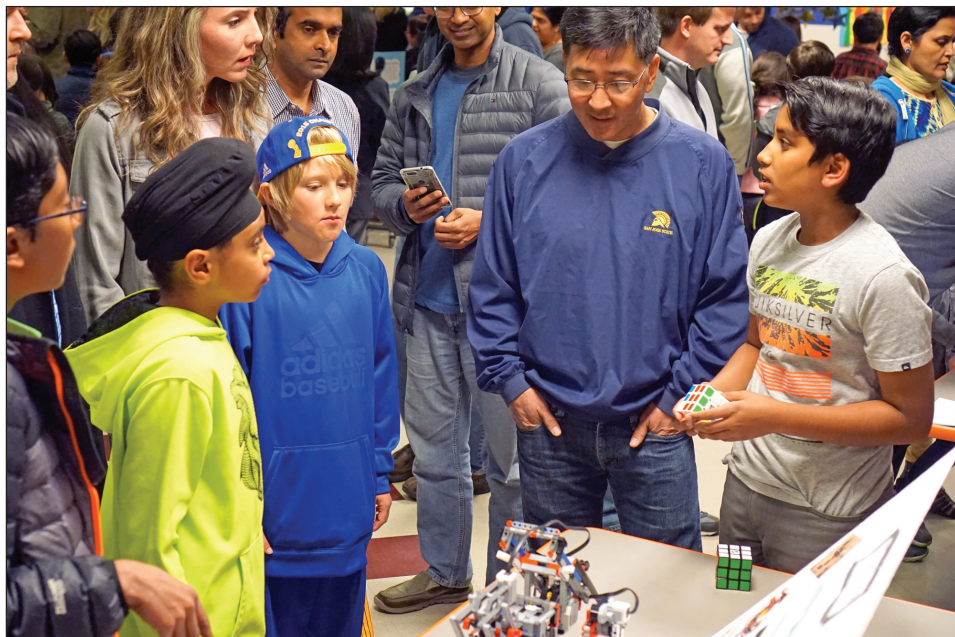
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Times **Feature**

The new Fab Lab offers kindergarten through 6th grade students hands-on ways to explore the STEAM subjects.

**STEAM lab**

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Many were intrigued by the many interesting exhibits in geology, puppy programming, EdMo and 6th grade inventions and science projects. Fab Lab First dedicated STEAM lab in Evergreen School District Silver Oak is honored its Fab Lab is the first dedicated STEAM lab in Evergreen School District.

"We want children to have 21st century skills in science, technology, engineering, art and math. The new Fab Lab offers our kindergarten through 6th grade students fun, exciting, hands-on ways to explore these subjects. Not only will they need to know how to code, how to design things and build things, the projects they will work on will strengthen students' abilities to be creative and flexible problem-solvers," explains Silver Oak Principal Howie Greenfield.

Workshops for Students in All Grades

Students began attending workshops this month in the new Fab Lab where they are learning introductory concepts and activities that are age and grade appropriate.

Kindergarten: Introduction to Ozobots - Coding with Color

Grades 1 & 2: Intro to Coding with Ozobots and Conductivity with Makey Makey

Grades 3 & 4: Scratch Programming and Makey Makey Intro to Conductivity

Grades 5 & 6: 3D Printing and Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

With Silver Oak PTO donations and Measure M monies, the new Fab Lab is a colorfully outfitted workspace with lots of materials and tools that students can use on various projects. The lab has cardboard and wood building tools including glue guns, cardboard cutters, drills, and other building tools to construct things. For technology lessons there are Mbot, Makey Makey and Raspberry Pi projects. Science equipment is aligned to Next Gen science standards and will use the Carolina building blocks of science kit with 8 weeks of activities and also has a new laser cutter and 3D printer.

About Silver Oak

For over twenty years, Silver Oak has been educating kindergarten through sixth grade children. Silver Oak Elementary School, one of 18 schools in Evergreen School District, is located in the Evergreen Valley of San Jose, California. For more information about Silver Oak please see the school website silveroak.eesd.org.

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Times Feature

Gurdwara

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the Bay area. Each year, all cultures and religions are invited to attend the Hola Mahalla.

Hola Mahalla marks the beginning of the Sikh New Year and brings everyone together to prepare and nurture one's competitive spirit. By continuing in a physical path, including exercise, and following the spiritual path of protecting others with bravery in our world they seek to ensure things are right with all.

Competitive sports

The holiday is composed of many competitive events and this year a special field was created to hold the event next to the Gurdwara which included numerous competitive sports, such as volleyball, basketball, running, defensive sport competition (called Gatka), and more.

The grounds had a race track set up for children of all ages to compete in running events. The older adults were also asked to run and compete. Pony rides were offered for young children and gave them great joy as they rode round and round on another track. A competitive volleyball tournament was held and many were seen participating. Horseback riding was included in this year's event and the Gatka challenge was displayed.

Food for everyone

The event offered a great opportunity for the community to unify. It is also part of the Sikh tenants to ensure all people are offered food to eat. The food selections were vast and offered many taste experiences for all to enjoy.

The Gurdwara member volunteers set up more than fifty booths. Things ran like clockwork as more than 10,000 people were served food at no charge while lining up to many booths spread throughout the grounds. Food items included fried pakoras, chaat, jalebi, chi drink, chole (garbonzo beans), patuay, ghaney-ka -rass, fresh sugarcane juice and corn on the cob.

"This is about as close as I can come to visiting India without leaving the country," said a first time visitor to the event. Many booths were also educational and fun to visit for each booth brought an interesting focus to a particular item or cause. Very useful information was given out to all.

Uplifting music

Dhadhi Vaars is a group of three singers that performed with musical instruments that play music to inspire. This is said to be



Some photos courtesy Singh G Imagery and Jusaini

done before the war time long ago and is an important tradition with the group of three telling stories that inspire. The group skillfully explained in song to all that in 1701 the Hola Mahalla began. Great depth was expressed to education all about why the event is held each and every year.

Keertan is music composed of hymns that are religious in nature and part of the holy book called the Granth. Those walking the festival are basked with music heard by their parents generations before them and reassured that in the future the words and song will continue to be heard by those who are born.

Gatka

The word "Gatka" means shield. Ajay Singh Baniwal a member of the California Gatkadai said that the Gatka group started with just five members and these teachers have reached out to grow an organization of more than three hundred.

"Our faith is big on defending those who can't defend themselves," said Baniwal. The Gatka group was dressed in brightly colored gear and the crowd pressed in close around an area to watch the many performers display defensive moves with the equipment of swords and many other kinds of defensive equipment. "Those who join the Gatka learn to use weapons and or hand to hand protection and defensive skills."

Hola Mahalla uplifting for all

Those that attended Hola Mahalla were given the opportunity to visit and meet friends, socialize, and experience an uplifting event, many for the first time. Children also had the experience of knowing that fitness is very important in one's life and being brave is a part of developing one's self and the spiritual side of one's life.

Editor's note: The translation of Gurdwara is Door To God,



this is the place on the hill in Evergreen that is considered a religious place and also a social gathering place too. Food is offered to all 365 days every year.

Gurdwara Sahib (The Gurdwara), the largest Gurdwara in the United States, is open 365 days a year. Tours are available and all are welcome. Food is served daily. Gurdwara is located at: 3636 The Gurdwara Ave. San Jose, CA 95148. Contact: Mohinder Singh at the Bajwa Office, (408) 274-9373, or visit the Gurdwara website: www.sanjosegurdwara.org.

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Times Features

Cycling

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a third party research organization that studied the impact of cycling on middle school students.

“This donation is exciting because it enables us to enhance our physical education program and provide our students with a lifelong skill while also developing proper life time fitness habits that prime the brain for academic success. It is this combination of fitness and academics that we found particularly interesting,” says Derrick Watkins, Chaboya Middle School principal.

Chaboya students in Chris Connolly’s P.E. class will pilot the new cycling program this spring. “All of our P.E. teachers are enthusiastic about the new program and have completed a professional safe cycling skills training last fall so they are ready to teach biking and bike safety as a standard unit in their P.E. classes,” explains Watkins.

It all started with a vision that Chaboya eighth grader Aiden Theoecheung had last year as part of his Boy Scout Eagle Scout project. While on the soccer field, Aiden was telling Al Ventura, Chaboya assistant principal and athletic director how applying for a grant from The Specialized Foundation would help provide the PE curriculum in addition to the bicycles and gear for cycling classes at school.

The Chaboya administration and P.E. teachers met to gauge interest and support in adding cycling to their physical education classes. “At first we thought this would be a tough challenge to support and implement, but the more we studied the program, the more we learned how well structured and safe the turnkey program was, and we found it especially rewarding for both the students and the staff,” says Chris Connolly, Chaboya PE teacher.

In February, Chaboya’s Assistant Principal Sara Spacek and the school’s P.E. teachers along with several scouts from Boy Scout Troop 251, met after school at Specialized Bicycle Components in Morgan Hill on four different days to assemble the bikes that were delivered to Chaboya.

Eagle Scout candidate gets things rolling

“I tell them to pick something they are passionate about and bicycles were it for Aiden,” stated Boy Scout Troop 251 Scout Master, Tom Kost. “Aiden is one of those guys who is always helping people. Aiden has picked this Eagle Scout project to help our community.”

Principal Watkins praises Aiden

“It brings joy to my heart,” said Watkins. “I am excited and encouraged because this is another way to help kids enjoy physical activity which can lead to a lifelong passion of enjoying physical activity and keeping healthy stated Watkins. “He took the initiative to present the bicycle pilot program to Chaboya.



In this process Aiden has been very conscience and conduit for assessing resources. He is always positive and optimistic.”

P.E. Teachers thrilled

Linda Rhodes stated, “It is exciting that we can bring this element to our P.E. program.” Chris Connolly (Science/P.E. Teacher) said, “When we first heard about it we got very excited...The more things we can provide for them (students), the better the active habits through adulthood for them...we don’t know what will stick regarding their pursuit of being active and healthy for their whole lives.” Mr. Connolly also said, “on the academic side, we’re seeing studies that cycling offers improved focus and attention and can lead to better grades for students.” Ms. Alison Espejo said, “We are so excited to have this opportunity for the students to have the bike unit (a bike unit is a focused individual group during P.E. time led by a teacher).

Cycling can help students with unique challenges

The Vice Principal said that cycling is good for all and especially can help children with ADHD challenges. She said that Chaboya does have students that will benefit by the use of the bikes and these bicycles will be used to help all children. Ms. Spacek was seen smiling and instructing as she rode with the students around the gym, definitely having a great time.

About Specialized Bike Company

“This program has the opportunity to positively impact kids’ lives through improved classroom performance with increased physical activity and overall health,” said Katie Sue Grenner, public relations spokesperson for Specialized. “We have twelve schools involved in this program nationwide, the program at Chaboya is really exciting because we can come back and visit the school since it’s in our backyard.” Specialized Bicycles is located in Morgan Hill, California.

Editor’s note: Specialized Bike Foundation accepts applications for grants on a yearly basis: visit www.specialized.com/us/en/advocacy

More than 50 bicycles, helmets and biometric tools are donated by The Specialized Foundation and arrive at Chaboya Middle School for the new Riding for Focus physical education curriculum. Chaboya students in Mr. Chris Connolly’s P.E. class will pilot the new cycling program this spring. Below: **Katie Sue Gruener** from Specialized Foundation unloads a new bicycle at Chaboya Middle School for the new Riding for Focus physical education curriculum. The foundation donated 50 bicycles including helmets.



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Crows, blue jays and squirrels raised quite a fuss Wednesday morning (March 29) at the Villages Golf and Country Club. The commotion was caused by bobcat looking for food. The bobcat was spotted on a tree and snuck around the photographer. — Photos by Lou Alexander



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Sat, April 8 & Sun, April 9, 11:30am-2:30pm: Little Bites of Brunch Tasting. It's brunch season! Enjoy bite size samples of brunch favorites with tips and recipes for planning your best brunch ever. Free.

Sat, April 8, 12-1pm: Kids Gardening Workshop. Have your kids join us in our community classroom to learn how to plant

and care for their favorite vegetable. They'll receive different types of seeds and plant one to take home where they can care for it and watch it grow! \$5. Preregister.

Sun, April 16, 1-2pm: Spring Scavenger Hunt for Kids. Search in every department in the store for some of our favorite seasonal items. Prizes will be available for the first 10 kids who find all of the items. Free. Preregister.

Thurs, April 20, 4-6pm: Kids Watercolor Paint Night. Calling all kids! Our in-house artist Cyndi will set up a still life and give a demonstration of some watercolor basics. Juice and healthy snacks will be served. \$15. Preregister.

Register for classes at the Solutions Counter in the store or at: <http://www.newseasonsmarket-evergreen.eventbrite.com>. New Seasons Market is located at 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd, San Jose. 408-513-8200.

Grant opportunity for community 4th of July fireworks events available to non-profits

Nonprofit organizations planning to hold 2017 Fourth of July fireworks events in Santa Clara County may benefit from a County grant program established to fund safe and legal fireworks displays.

The County is allocating a total of \$25,000 to sponsor up to two fireworks events in each of the five supervisorial districts (\$5,000 per district).

"The County supports professional displays to help deter the illegal use of fireworks in our community," said President Dave Cortese, County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors. "The grant program offers funding for up to 10 events throughout the county."

Nonprofit organizations that have held Fourth of July events involving fireworks displays and meet the criteria to receive a grant are encouraged to submit their applications before the 5 p.m., April 7, 2017, deadline.

Interested organizations must complete an application. Events must include public/fire safety educational elements, be open to any resident in Santa Clara County, and be family-friendly.

A panel that includes representatives from



Santa Clara County Fire Department, the Sheriff's Office, the County Executive's Office, and Parks and Recreation Department, will review and evaluate submissions. The Board of Supervisors will review panel recommendations in May. Sponsorship recipients will be notified and receive funds following Board approval.

Selection Qualifications/Criteria for Fireworks Events:

1. Must be held in Santa Clara County
2. Must be proven, at least, in its second year.
3. Must have Public/Fire safety Education element(s).
4. Must be open to any resident in Santa Clara County and be Family-Friendly.
5. Must be able to specify how County of Santa Clara grant award will be used.

Completed applications must be received, via e-mail, no later than 5 p.m., on April 7, 2017, and should be e-mailed to Andrea Contreras, andrea.contreras@ceo.sccgov.org and Fran Palacio, fran.palacio@ceo.sccgov.org, Office of the County Executive.

More information and applications: sccgov.org/sites/ceo/fsi/Pages/fsi.aspx

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Times **Feature****OFF THE SHELF****ZunZun coming to Evergreen Branch Library**

By Randall Studstill
Special to the Times

In April, the Evergreen and Village Square Branches have programs to appeal to kids, teens, and adults. Two upcoming programs will have special interest for children and families.

On Saturday, April 8 at 1:00 p.m., the Village Square Branch will be having its **Spoon Bugs** program. Preschool and primary grade-aged children will make insects such as ants, ladybugs and dragonflies out of plastic spoons and learn about their roles in the ecosystem. On Saturday, April 15 at 1:00 p.m., **ZunZun: Musica de las Americas** will be coming to the Evergreen Branch. ZunZun brings instruments from all over the world and has kids from the audience come up to be a part of the show. The program is interactive, fun, with lots of rhythm and drums.

Advanced chess players now have a club just for them at the Village Square Library. The **Village Square Advanced Chess Club** is a free weekly chess club for tournament level chess players ages 7 to 15 with USCF rating above 400 (or equivalent). The club will meet each Saturday from 2:15 p.m. until 3:45 p.m., starting April 15 and ending on May 27. Chessboards will be provided, and registration is required.

Middle-school students (grades 6-8) with an interest in robotics can register for the **Omega Robotics Workshop** at the Village Square Branch. This program will cover the basics of robotics programming and mechanical design, giving participants hands-on experience with a robot. It will meet on two consecutive Saturdays (April 15 and 22) from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants must bring their own laptop, and registration is required.

Teens, it is never too early or too late to improve your financial literacy. Visit the Evergreen Branch on Wednesday, April 12 at 4:00 p.m. and learn valuable budgeting skills at the **Meriwest Financial Workshop for Teens**. This presentation is specifically designed for teens ages 12 and up.

Adults who love reading and talking about books won't want to miss the April 5 meeting of the **Evergreen Branch Library Book Club**. The Club will be meeting at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *The Rainbow Comes and Goes: A Mother and Son on Life, Love and Loss* by Anderson Cooper and Gloria Vanderbilt. Booklist describes the book as "Fascinating, forthright, philosophical, and inspiring, these mother-and-son musings on family, life, death, forgiveness, fame, and perseverance are at once uniquely personal and deeply human."

Seniors and their adult caregivers and family members are invited to the Evergreen Branch on Tuesday, April 11 at 1:00 p.m. for an informational presentation on senior health resources and services. This presentation is being delivered by Sourcewise, a nonprofit organization providing services such as Meals on Wheels, Senior Employment, and the Family Caregiver Support Program.

Additional Events

View all branch library locations' event listings online at events.sjpl.org. Updates on library events are also available via our RSS feeds (sjpl.org/updates) and our Facebook page (facebook.com/sanjoselibrary).

Randall Studstill is a librarian at the *Village Square Branch Library*, located at 4001 Evergreen Village Square. (408) 808-3093. The *Evergreen Branch Library* is located at 2635 Aborn Road, between Capitol Expressway and White Road. (408) 808-3060. Both are part of the San José Public Library System. For more information, visit the library website, sjpl.org.



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121 OTHERS

DEALER DISCOUNT OFF MSRP	-\$9,827
RAM CA 2017 BONUS CASH*	-\$1,500
RAM CA BC RETAIL CONSUMER CASH*	-\$1,750

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RAM CA 2017 BONUS CASH*	-\$500
RAM CA 2017 RETAIL BONUS CASH*	-\$1,000
RAM 2017 1500 HEMI RETAIL BONUS CASH*	-\$500

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EvergreenAreaMeetings

Adlibmasters Toastmasters Club

A group dedicated to helping develop communication and leadership skills. The group meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 5:15 - 7 p.m. at HGST, a Western Digital Co. and the second and fourth Tuesdays from 12 - 1 p.m. at IBM. For more information, go to www.adlibmasters.org or call Lorraine Myers at 1(408) 717-5552 weekdays or 1(408) 238-4580 weekends.

District 8 Community Roundtable

1st Thursday of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Location: Evergreen Library. (For information, visit d8crt.org)

CalRTA-Area V-Div. 70 Retired Teachers

Organization. Meets bi-monthly at various eastside cafes also conducts a variety of holiday socials/activities and scholarship fundraisers. Established in 1983! All teaching levels and others welcome. This organization supports the goals and purposes of the California Teachers' Retirement System. For more information call E. Paros at (408) 274-1609 or email parosej@sbcbglobal.net.

East Side Union High School District Board of Trustees

Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the ESUHS Education Center, 830 N. Capitol Ave. 347-5000. Check the web site for agendas and updates: www.esuhdsd.org

The Evergreen Al-Anon meetings held at St. Francis of Assisi Church on Thursdays at 7 p.m. have been cancelled indefinitely due to lack of attendance.

The Evergreen Business

Association is a free networking group for business owners who live and work in the Evergreen and nearby areas. The purpose of the Evergreen Business Association is to develop and foster connections and to provide a forum for members to share knowledge, promote growth opportunities, and encourage referrals. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 a.m. at the Village Square Branch Library, 4035 Evergreen Village Square, San Jose. The group invites business owners and leaders. There is no cost for membership. For more information, please refer to our Meetup page here: <http://www.meetup.com/evergreen-business-association/>

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Evergreen-East Valley Realtors Marketing Meeting

Meets each Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The EEVRMM invites realtors, brokers, lenders and related affiliates to its breakfast meeting. Market your listings, match buyers with sellers and share real estate success stories. Meetings are held at MegaByte Pizza Co., 5623 Silver Creek Valley Rd., San Jose, CA 95138. \$3 admission, coffee and pastries included. For more information, call David Castillo at 238-2000.

Evergreen School District Board of Trustees

Meetings are typically held on the second Thursday of every month, in the district boardroom at 3188 Quimby Road. For more information, call (408) 270-6800.

Evergreen School District Parent Advisory Committee

The Parent Advisory Committee Meetings for 2015-16 will meet on the first Wednesday of the months of October, December, January, February, March and May. The meeting is held in the Evergreen School District boardroom, 3188 Quimby Road at 9:30 a.m.

The Evergreen Senior

Advisory Council meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Get involved in helping plan events for seniors, volunteering for a good cause, and getting to know your fellow seniors. For more information, call the Evergreen Community Center at (408) 270-2220.

Evergreen Valley Garden Club

Meets at the Evergreen Library on Aborn Road, San Jose the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Each meeting will feature a monthly gardening class FREE to the public. For further information contact Arvind Kumar at (408) 715-7020 or email chhaprahiya@yahoo.com

Evergreen Valley High School

Athletic Booster Club meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the school's administration office.

Evergreen Valley High School Site Council

Meets the first Wednesday of every month on the EVHS campus in the administration building D, 3300 Quimby Rd., San Jose. Confirm meetings by visiting the school's web site, <http://ev.ca.campusgrid.net/home> and clicking on school site council in the left hand toolbar or calling the school at (408) 347-7000.

Evergreen Valley Service Organization

For more information, call (408) 274-6756.

Falls Creek Neighborhood Association

Homeowners from the Madison and Pulte area developments are welcome and encouraged to attend future meetings. For more information go to the Web at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fallscreekneighbors> or call Dave Zenker at (408) 238-2591.

The Evergreen Community Center

offers a variety of classes and special events, for kids, adults, and seniors. For more information on our activities visit: www.sanjose-ca.gov/prns. The Senior Nutrition program serves a delicious and well balanced meal to seniors 60 and over every Monday – Friday at noon. The suggested donation is \$3 per person. Please make reservations at least one day in advance by calling (408) 270-1244. The center is located at 4860 San Felipe Road.

Friends of Evergreen Library

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., in Group Study Room A at the Evergreen Branch Library, 2635 Aborn Road, San Jose. Visit their website at friendsofevergreenlibrary.org or call 408-808-3060 for more information.

Hidden Glen Community

To join a neighborhood discussion egroup, go to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HiddenGlenSanJose/>

The Kiwanis meet regularly every 4th Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster (12:00 noon). For more information, please contact:

President of Kiwanis East San Jose Mr. Bud Lomonaco, Phone: (408) 903-7526

LeyVa Community Action Team Association

This group is bounded by Barberry Lane and Monrovia Drive, Capitol Expressway, Aborn Road, and South King Road. For meeting time and location, please contact the association at (408) 795-5855.

Lions Club - San Jose East Valley

This group meets Tuesday evenings from 6 pm to 8 pm for a dinner meeting at Carrow's Restaurant, 1696 Tully Rd. near the corner of Tully Rd/King Road. For more information, contact Lions Club member Bill Evans at (408) 274-4728.

McLaughlin Corridor

Neighborhood Assoc. Meets second Thursday at 7 p.m. at Tully Library. 365-1300.

Meadowfair Neighborhood

Association Meets the second Wednesday of odd-numbered months at 7 p.m. at Meadowfair Center, 2696 King Rd. For more information, call 539-2308.

Reid - Hillview Airport Association

3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Location: Hillview Airport Terminal. (For information, call (408) 251-4939 or visit rhvaa.org)

Rotary Club of San Jose East/Evergreen

Meets every Thursday from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. at the Ranch Golf Club, 4601 Hill Top View Lane. (408) 270-0557.

Story Road Business Association

Meets third Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at Prusch Park, South King Road at Story. For more information, call 238-5422.

San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Board

Normally meets second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Meetings in the District Office, Board Room, 40 S. Market St., San Jose, CA 95113.

San Pedro Squares Toastmasters Club

Meets every Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Jimmy's Restaurant, 222 W. Capitol Expressway in San Jose. Contact Barbara at 373-2815, or email barbaramcchesney@sbcglobal.net for further information, or check out the website at <http://www.sanpedrosquares.freetoasthost.org>.

Silver Creek (PTSA) Parent, Teacher, Student Association

Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday in the Silver Creek High School Principal's Conference Room, 3434 Silver Creek Road. For more information, call 347-5830. Silver Creek School Site Council Meetings: Second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in room V-1.

Silver Oak Educational Partnership

The Silver Oak Educational Partnership is now called the Silver Oak Elementary PTO (Parent Teacher Organization). SOEPTO will not be meeting over summer. Meetings will resume in September. New meeting schedule will be posted in August.

SIR Branch 114 at the Villages

Sons in Retirement (SIR) Branch 114 meets every first Tuesday of the month in the Villages' Clubhouse Fairway Room. The meeting agenda includes a noon luncheon for all SIR Branch 114 members and a 12:30 p.m. speaker open to all Villagers and friends. For more information, call Lou Figone, SIR 114 BIG SIR at (408) 966-4175.

Tully Ocala Capitol King Neighborhood Association

1st Monday of every other month from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Location: Boys & Girls Clubs of Silicon Valley - Smythe Clubhouse

West Evergreen Neighborhood Association

This group represents the area bounded approximately by Flanigan Drive, South King Road, Aborn Road, and Alvin Avenue. Meets the third Tuesday at O.B. Whaley Elementary School, 2655 Alvin Ave., 7 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the association at 535-8613.

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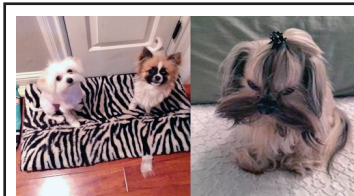
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Pets



'Bonded Sweethearts' need a forever family

These two sweethearts need a home together (left photo). They were rescued only a few days ago. They love each other to death and will not walk or eat without one another. They love older children, are good with cats and other small dogs. No big dogs. No toddlers or infants. A rehoming fee applies which can be discussed. Elsie (right photo) also needs a good home! For more information, email: linda.cendejas@yahoo.com

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