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Speakers inspire students at Laurelwood's Career Day

By Frank Shortt

Times staff writer

areer Day, an annual event at Laurelwood Elementary School in the Evergreen School District, was well received by students and teachers recently.

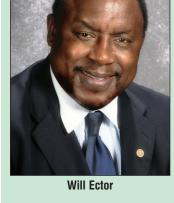
The event also allows students and faculty at Laurelwood to become aware of all the businesses, entertainment, services and media offered by the Evergreen community.



Students and faculty of the school waited with great anticipation to be inspired by the varied and interesting speakers scheduled to attend this yearly event. Thanks to the student representative and guides, speakers were able to find their perspective rooms, as well as other venues they had occasion to

This year's speakers were representatives of many interesting fields. There were financial planners, Opera San Jose reps, bank tellers and loan officers, a Veterinarian, a video game design engineer, an editor of several magazines and newspapers, a lawyer from Tesla, a motorcycle retailer. three engineers, a writer, an orthodontist, a family counselor, a karate instructor, a financial planner, an artist, a grocery representative, two dentists, and the fire department were well represented along with their trucks.

The artist, Lila Gemellos, has done many murals throughout the Evergreen School District, including See CAREER DAY, page 18



Will Ector announces his retirement as **Berryessa Superintendent**

Served as Director of Human Resorces Evergreen School District

> By William Bellou Publisher

erryessa Union School District Superintendent Will Ector has announced his retirement, completing 6 years of service to The Berryessa School District.

Ector plans to continue his advocacy for public education and mentoring of aspiring administrators, capping more than 43 years in education.

"Mr. Ector's leadership at the district greatly improved the quality of our educational programs, strengthened the district's connection with our local community, and increased student achievement," said Thelma Boac, School Board President. "While we are sad to see Mr. Ector's departure, we are grateful for his strong ability to set high goals and adjust resources to achieve those goals and always maintaining a student-centered focus for every decision."

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Voicing concerns about education in Sacramento



By Supervisor Dave Cortese

Special to the Times he voungest members of our Bus Trip to Sacramento 2017 were prepared.

They had done their homework for the May 31 forum with our Legislators, and, although shy at first, they raised their hands along with the grown-ups to ask questions on high school exit exams, violence prevention in the classroom, government efficiency and women in politics.

Asked a young woman sitting See BUS TRIP, page 20

The group hears from the Controller's office. Photo by Andy Nauven

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The Evergreen community is invited for ice cream and a panoramic view of valley fireworks at Gurdwara. Pictured are volunteers at the 2016 Independence Day event at San Jose Gurdwara.

Evergreen community invited to celebrate 4th of July at Gurdwara

By Kevin Larsen

Times staff writer

he Sikh community is inviting
Evergreen Valley residents to join
together in celebration of the 4th
of July with events scheduled all day at
the San Jose Gurdwara.

Activities include a 4th of July parade, starting on Dana Ave., beginning at 8 a.m. The Lincoln High School Band will march in the Rose, White and Blue Parade along with many performers including Boy Scout Troop #600 and Girl Scout Troop #601020. Complementary water bottles will be provided along the parade route.

Tours of the Gurdwara Sahib tours will be available beginning at 5 p.m. The Festival will feature free fresh fruits and ice cream between 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. During the evening, families can watch the various fireworks displays down in the valley from the Gurdwara's hilltop view of the city.

For additional information, see the back page of this issue. Also visit san-josegurdwara.org. Contact: Manraj Singh Natt 408-802-7181, or Kirpal Singh Atwal 408-835-7712. The San Jose Gurdwara is located at: 3636 Murillo Ave San Jose, CA 95148.

Ector

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Ector was appointed the chief executive position in July of 2011 and successfully implemented his plan to improve the quality of learning for all students. He was instrumental in creating 21 Century learning environments at every school; increased student access to classroom technology, extended the district's parcel tax and was successful in passing the district's first facilities bond in over 20 years to modernize all thirteen schools in the district.

"T've been blessed to work with a talented administrative team and dedicated educators throughout the district, said Ector. "Above all, I have had the pleasure of working with a very supportive Board of Trustees who have always put our students first."

Ector's dedication to public education extends far beyond Berryessa. Prior to leading BUSD as superintendent, Mr. Ector served in the roles of Director of Human Resources, principal at the elementary and middle school level and assistant principal all in the Evergreen Elementary School District in San Jose. As a principal his schools have been recognized as California Distinguished Schools and three as National Blue Ribbon Schools. He also opened and helped design two 21 Century technology schools while in the Evergreen School District.

He has served as an adjunct professor at San Jose State University, the Advisory Board for the College of Education at Santa Clara University, San Jose State University and the National Hispanic University. He has served as chairman of the Santa Clara County School Human Resource Consortium. He has served on the ACSA State Human Resource Council, the Elementary Council, and most recently on the state Board of Directors. He has always been a vocal advocate for equal access for all students.

This year, the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) recognized Mr. Ector as Superintendent of the Year for Santa Clara County.





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cur-rent (adj.) Present, topical, timely, newsworthy. (n.) Movement in a definite direction, a flow.



Computer Programming For All members pose with the \$2000 donation with District 8 Councilmember **Silvia Arenas** (back row, second from right).

Coding club presents \$2,000 check to local charter school

By William Bellou

Publisher

Rushil Kapadia, a junior at Archbishop Mitty High School, presented a \$2000 check to Ace Empower Academy, a Charter Middle School recently.

The money donated to the school was generated from Kapadia's non-profit coding club, Computer Programming for All, Inc.

Upon discovering that we had no computer science curriculum and realizing that many of our students come from homes with limited opportunities, Kapadia decided to start an after-school coding club on a voluntary basis.

"I realized that 'traditional' curriculums would not work and so I developed my own curriculum using the Scratch programming language," said Kapadia. "The curriculum is quite innovative -- it teaches kids programming by having them create popular games such as Pacman and Galaga -- which the students find very engaging."

This is his third year Kapadia has been teaching at Ace Empower which now provides instruction for more than eight locations with the assistance of 15 volunteers teaching more than 100 students.

Kapadia has donated more than 500 hours, and along with this team of volunteers, raised \$2,000 for Ace Empower to help with computer science education.

In a recent survey, a few students expressed their appreciation to the education opportunity. "This class has endless fun...The people here are so nice... we learn a lot about creating games...It's a cool place to relax and release us of stress." $\,$

"I feel the program has had a real impact and touched the kids' lives," said Justin Gill, eighth grade Science Teacher at ACE Empower Academy. "The kids used to view computers as a vehicle to play games after school, and did not have the appreciation that they could build a career in computer science. Through this program, they have come to appreciate that they could go to college and pursue computer science as a major -- this is exactly the outcome we had hoped for."

Gill said some students find the class so engaging that they log in from home and continue to work on their projects. "On a 'dress up to work' day, a seventh grader dressed up as a game developer/ computer programmer. She said that the class has inspired her to pursue a major and subsequently a career in computer science"

Rushil's efforts have enabled a number of kids, who had absolutely no exposure to programming, to become well versed at Scratch and further inspired them to learn more. His curriculum based on building games to teach programming is innovative and resonates with the kids.

"For the first time, many kids have realized that computers are a tool that can be harnessed rather than just a device to play games," said Gill.

For more information about Computer Programming for All, Inc. visit: http://www.computerprogrammingforall.org.

The Computer Programming Club recently presented a check for \$2000 to the Ace Empower Academy. Pictured (I to r) are Rohit Tanikella (Volunteer), Anirudh Kothapalli (VP Marketing), Siddharth Deshpande (Volunteer), Raj Janardhan (Volunteer), Manasa Ganesh (Volunteer), Rishi Mistry (Cofounder), Rushil Kapadia (Founder & President), and Neil Tipirneni (Volunteer).

Mailbox

No residential street repair for most San Jose streets

Editor.

In 2016, San Jose voters agreed to two sales tax increases:

sales tax increases: quarter-cent (San Jose general tax) and half-cent (Santa Clara County dedicated tax). Meanwhile, the Legislature increased fuel/vehicle fees as ways to improve the state's transportation infra-

Few funds will be used to repair the bulk of San Jose's residential streets that represent approximately 61% of all streets. City's total road stock is rated "fair" with a deferred maintenance backlog totaling \$584.4M.

structure, including some local roads.

The City estimates it needs \$75M annually just to "stand still" but estimates revenue maxing out at \$70M annually over the next 10 years with the average being in the \$50M range. This means a \$1.5B deferred maintenance backlog in 2027 with minimal funds to repair crumbling residential streets!

San Jose needs cost improvements for core services like those suggested in the 2012 IBM study done for San Jose; it doesn't need more taxes!

Jerry Mungai San Jose

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Times Local News



San Jose City Councilmember **Silvia Arenas** (third from left) is joined by seniors at the annual Senior Health Fair and Walk at Eastridge Mall.

Hundreds attend Senior Health Fair and Walk at Eastridge Mall

Health turned out for the annual Senior Health Fair and Walk at Eastridge Mall on June 9.

The event, sponsored by San Jose Councilmember Sylvia Arenas and Senator Jim Beall, included several resource tables for seniors and a walk around Eastridge Mall to promote health for seniors.



Evergreen residents graduate from University of San Diego

Several Evergreen /Silver Creek Valley residents graduated from the University of San Diego on May 28.

Holly Cunningham and Kristina Tea

both earned a bachelor's degree in Biology.
Alyssa Jatnieks earned bachelor's degrees in International Business and International Relations. She graduated cum laude.

Kelly Larson, earned a bachelor's degree in Marketing.

Vineza Reduta earned a bachelor's degree in Biology. She participated in the university's Honors Program designed to provide smart, passionate and engaged students with challenges and opportunities to allow them to achieve their intellectual goals.

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Uncontrolled mental health Silver Cree situations can be harmful

Rob Gill

By Bob Gill

Special to the Times

sk any neighbor and they will know someone who has behav-Lioral challenges, even in their own family.

Like a tiny pebble thrown into the middle of a lake it reverberates and influences the calm waters. The same is true of human life and how uncontrolled mental health situations can also create repercussions across families, neighbors, workplaces and communities.

Mentally ill people are also human beings and they deserve respect equally from all others. We must find ways to intervene which are effective and healthy before deteriorate. situations When things get worse it's

hard to control and does more damage to the person's everyday life and health.

We all have to help and look to interrupt and control impulses of negative decisions by any individual who shows warning signs. The proper thing to do is to get help from professionals. The County of Santa Clara has a special hot line with a person to help you any time day or night, all days of the year. The County has a hotline for adults and one for children below five years of age.

The County spends a great deal of monies in the budget to assist those in need of help or assistance. It is beneficial to each and every one of us and it is worth looking at. Please explore with your computer or by phone. Please do not be hesitant to contact professionals to gain help or assistance. They are there to help you. By calling, you help others before a situation of uncontrollable negative mental health can start.

This is the hotline to get help and information

Mental Health Call Center Phone: 1 (800) 704-0900

Hours: 24-hours, 7 days a week

The Santa Clara County Mental Health Call Center is the centralized entry point for individuals who are seeking behavioral health services in Santa Clara County.

General information, appointments, and referrals are available during business hours Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Mental Health Call Center can be contacted regarding a behavioral health crisis that you or a family member might be experiencing after 5:00 p.m. on weekdays, weekends, and holidays. Staff will talk with you to clarify what your behavioral health needs are. The Mental Health Call Center will link you with the appropriate behavioral health service, county services or referrals to community services. The primary function is to provide a 24-hour telephone service which:

- screens for behavioral health needs
- · directs callers to programs and serv-

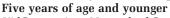
ices that are suitable for meeting their needs

• authorizes Fee-for-Services Medi-Cal visits

In addition, the Call Center provides telephone crisis intervention response to

callers in an acute behavioral health crisis, attempting to stabilize them until a crisis counselor or other crisis services provider can intervene to provide more extensive or specialized service.

The Family and Children's Services System of Care provides services to children and adolescents and their families who are experiencing extreme emotional distress. We address their behavioral health needs in the least restrictive, most family-like manner possible.



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The Mental Health Call Center bridges children ages prenatal to five years and their families to critical and necessary services that would support their optimal growth and development.

Simply call the Mental Health Call Center and ask to speak with someone from the "KidConnections team".

About Robert Gill

Bob Gill is currently a Santa Clara County Behavior Health Board Member Housing Commissioner, Disability Commissioner, Former Commissioner, Former Senior Board Commissioner and a humble servant of the Sikh Gurdwara, San Jose, California.

You are welcome to email me if you have any suggestions: bobgillcares@ gmail.com

Editor's note: To learn more about programs available for you or a loved one, web search Santa Clara County Behavior Health Services. sccgov.org/sites/mhd/ Pages/default.aspx; (800) 704-0900 or (408) 885-5673

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The San Jose Police Department serves as the lead agency of the Silicon Valley Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (SVICAC).

SVICAC participated in "Operation Broken Heart IV", which joined 60 other ICAC Task Forces nationwide in identifying and arresting suspected child sexual predators during April and May 2017.

During "Operation Broken Heart IV", the SVICAC Task Force arrested 30 suspected child predators and participated in 28 community presentations on Internet/social media safety. Dozens of bay area law enforcement agencies who are members of the SVICAC Task Force participated.

Nationally, the operation resulted in 1,012 arrests and the task forces conducted 1,245 presentations.

The national crackdown targeted offenders who: (1) possess, manufacture, and distribute child pornography; (2) engage in online enticement of children for sexual purposes; (3) engage in the commercial sexual exploitation of children (commonly referred to as child prostitution), and (4) engage in child sex tourism (traveling abroad for the purposes of sexually abusing foreign children)

The Operation included more than 4,500 federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies across the United States.

Mission

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC program) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children. This help encompasses forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services, and community education.

Background

The ICAC program was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet and other technology, the proliferation of child sexual abuse images available electronically, and the heightened online activity by predators seeking unsupervised contact with potential underage victims. Because ICAC members understand that arrests alone cannot resolve the problem of technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation, the ICAC program is also dedicated to training law enforcement officers and prosecutors, as well as educating parents and youth about the potential dangers of online activity.

Since 1998, ICAC Task Forces have reviewed more than 580,000 complaints of alleged child sexual victimization resulting in the arrest of more than 60,000 individuals.

For more information, visit SVICAC.ORG







 $\textbf{Elaine Talerico, Councilwoman Sylvia Arenas}, \ an \ Evergreen \ resident \ and \ \textbf{Frank Crane}.$

Hundreds turn out for 'Dumpster Day'

n Saturday, June 9, San Jose Council District 8 hosted a Dumpster Day at four various locations throughout Evergreen Valley.

"We had an incredible turnout and

filled 17 dumpsters," said San Jose City Councilmember Silvia Arenas. "I'd like to extend my sincerest thanks and appreciation to all the incredible people who woke up early and volunteered to help residents toss their unwanted junk!"

Arenas said seeing the residents of District 8 come together this way was inspiring. "I'm honored to serve Evergreen Valley as your Councilwoman."







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The twenty-two young women who were celebrated represent eight different high schools and include (in alphabetical order): Melissa Ashley, Samantha Blodgett, Giuliana Calia, Natalie Culine, Rachel Davis, Mikaela Fenton, Avalon Gook, Meghan Hall, Kendal Hayward, Andie Kais, Julie Lance, Molly Lyons, Summer McGrogan, Juliana Medan, Delaney Regan, Samantha Stebbins, Megan Tallman, Margaret Theaker, Alyssa Tom, Nicole Tom, Kaitlin Zarbis, and Madeleine Zetterquist.

NCL CLASS OF 2017 ANNUAL TRADITIONS

Celebrating a six year journey of collaboration and dedication

Asix year journey came to a close for National Charity League - Almaden Blossom Valley Chapter's Class of 2017 at their Annual Mother and Daughter Tea & Recognition event held at the Cinnabar Hills Golf Club.

Complete with a senior class receiving line, memory boards, college decision table and tea cup ceremony, this celebration recognized the collaboration and dedication of the graduating class, as well as the incredible contributions of the entire Almaden Blossom Valley chapter.

Membership in NCL gives mothers and daughters unique opportunities to strengthen their bond while growing together and improving their communities. It is the only national organization committed to fostering the mother-daughter relationship through philanthropy, leadership development, and cultural experiences. Chapter members live in various regions of Silicon Valley, including Silver Creek and Evergreen Valley.

This organization started in 1925 by a small group of Southern California women who made baby layettes for the needy and delivered food to the hungry. In 1947, the league of women and their daughters, known as "Ticktockers", united to become the first national mother-daughter charity organization. NCL can now be found in 26 states across the country, with 226 chapters nationwide and over 63,000 members.

History of the Almaden Blossom Valley chapter

The Almaden Blossom Valley chapter was started in 1995 and has grown from 19 original members to its current 264 active members. The Ticktockers attend both public and private schools, with membership residing in up to 8 different San Jose zip codes. The NCL Experience proves to be quite a commitment, spanning over a 6-year period, starting the summer before seventh grade and concluding upon graduation of high school

Each year providing a unique focus, the graduating seniors have participated in a wide array of philanthropic experiences ranging from the environment to families in need to children and seniors to the hungry and homeless. Volunteering at such organizations as City Team, Second Harvest Food Bank, Lincoln Glen Manor, Family Supportive Housing, Home First (EHC), Children's Discovery Museum, Sunday Friends, and Animal Assisted

Happiness, the mothers and daughters of the Class of 2017 have given 3,674 hours in service to our community during their six years in NCL. As a result, their eyes have been opened to socio-economic and cultural differences within our community and they have a greater appreciation for the world around them.

In addition, NCL provides opportunities for individual and team growth. Public speaking, leadership development, and decision making skills are fostered. There is also a requirement for each member to serve in a leadership role for at least two of the six years and to learn how to organize and run meetings. Topics such as social etiquette, the arts, cliques, social media safety, preparing for high school, positive identity, self-defense, safe road behavior, budgeting, managing timelines, and preparing for college are included in the programming.

NCL Senior Recognition event

As one of its most special traditions, NCL encourages each chapter to host a Senior Recognition event. On the evening of March 18, at The Golf Club at Boulder Ridge, family and friends joined together for an elegant event to honor the talented and dedicated young women of the Almaden Blossom Valley Chapter's Class of 2017. The official program included a formal welcome of each mother-daughter duo followed by heartfelt presentations from each Ticktocker.

An impressive slideshow captured special memories of their special journey and a father-daughter dance kicked off an evening of dancing. The twenty-two young women who were celebrated represent eight different high schools and include: Melissa Ashley, Samantha Blodgett, Giuliana Calia, Natalie Culine, Rachel Davis, Mikaela Fenton, Avalon Gook, Meghan Hall, Kendal Hayward, Andie Kais, Julie Lance, Molly Lyons, Summer McGrogan, Juliana Medan, Delaney Regan, Samantha Stebbins, Megan Tallman, Margaret Theaker, Alyssa Tom, Nicole Tom, Kaitlin Zarbis, and Madeleine Zetterquist

The theme of this year's evening event was "Bloom, Soar, Shine!" and that is exactly what these young women have done through NCL and will continue to do as they head off to college this fall. This very special tradition caps off the NCL experience for the 22 graduating seniors and their mothers.

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Times Community News



Scholarships winners (I to r) Mitchell Seto, Meredith McElroy, Zachary Golan-Strieb, and Thea Etchepare are all smiles following the "Senior Awards Program" held recently at Hillsdale High School in San Mateo. Photo courtesy of Laura Burtness

Thomas Harney sponsors scholarships for Hillsdale Senior **Awards Program**

Scholarship were awarded to students sponsored by Thomas Roy Harney, a former faculty member at the very special high school and a resident of The Villages Golf and Country Club in Evergreen Valley.

The students will be continuing their education at UC Irvine, University of Notre Dame (Indiana), UC Berkeley, and San Diego State University, respectively.

The following scholarship awards were presented to the following Honorees at the "Senior Awards Program" at Hillsdale High School: "Carol Joy Pace Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Musical Arts" to Mitchell Seto; "June Marie Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Performing Arts" to Thea Etchepare; "Thomas Roy Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Legal Arts" to Zachary Golan-Strieb; and the "Thomas Roy Harney Award for Outstanding Achievement In Communicative Arts" to Meredith McElroy.

O'Hara receives BA degree in Classical Civilizations at **Loyola University**

By Sean Eastwood Times staff writer

alix O'Hara, of Evergreen Valley has received a BA degree in Classical Civics with a minor in medieval studies, at Loyola University Maryland's 165th Commencement Exercises

in downtown Baltimore.

Last summer while Calix O'Hara was studying in Rome, he visited the Ara Pacis, an ancient monumental altar.



Calix O'Hara

Inside he saw the Boucrania relief sculptures, which portray how after the Romans sacrificed oxen, they displayed the ox skulls with gilded horns and draped in wreaths of flowers.

O'Hara enrolled in a biology seminar and developed an interest in the history of the development of forensic technology. In that class, taught by David Rivers, Ph.D., professor of biology at Loyola University Maryland, O'Hara learned about sarcophagus beetles known to eat the flesh off of dead animals.

O'Hara, who Bellarmine College Preparatory in San Jose, thought he might major in engineering. "However, I wanted to benefit from a Jesuit education with a program that allowed me to explore multiple disciplines," said O'Hara.

The Commencement address at this year's ceremony was delivered by Jesuit priest and bestselling author, Rev. James Martin, S.J. Fr. Martin is the editor of the national Catholic magazine, America, and provides commentary on issues of religion, spirituality, and social justice in many national media outlets.

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- NEW! Free plane rides for kids from Young Eagles! Get in line!
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- Award ceremony with CAP (Civil Air Patrol) Color Guards and National Anthem sung by Mike Hugill and Teri Barnett!
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- Every preregistered car at Hot San Jose Nights receives an award for all of the work and time they put into their classic cars!
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Times Feature

The further adventures of Sir Cyrus the Wonder Cat

By Frank Shortt

Times staff writer

any Evergreen Times readers will remember the story of Sir Cyrus, the cat who was locked in a garage on May 9, 2015 for six days and survived the ordeal. He is the neighborhood miracle cat!

Cyrus has maintained a wonderful life since his last ordeal. He is being fed, not only by his owners, John and Veronica, but also by well-meaning neighbors who, accidently-on-purpose, leave food and water out on their patios. Sir Cyrus spends his days basking in the sunlight and, occasionally, catching a rodent or two.

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 my wife, Sharon, and I were preparing for a trip to Portland, Oregon to a memorial for a deceased uncle. I was on the computer doing some writing when my cellphone broke the silence, startling me! I went into my bedroom for privacy and began to talk to my friend,

Manuel, who had called me from Puerto Rico. He was giving me the good news that he had set up residence within walking distance of the hospital where he was to have his doctor's internship for a year.

About an hour prior to the call from Puerto Rico, Sharon had told me that she was ironing clothes in the garage when Sir Cyrus suddenly appeared in the doorway of the garage. As was his custom, he walked freely around the inside of the garage sniffing every crevice and cranny to assure us there were no rodents in residence there. Sharon's mind became engrossed in her ironing shortly thereafter and she forgot about Sir Cyrus wandering around.

As my call from Puerto Rico progressed, I was interrupted by a banging somewhere

in the house! My first inclination was to check the front door in the patio just underneath our bedroom window. It almost sounded as though someone was knocking there. Nary a soul! I sat down in my easy chair and resumed my conversation with Manuel. Once again, a loud banging somewhere in the house! Could it

be that a burglar was somewhere hidden in our house? Could we be having visitors from beyond?

Maybe something had gotten into the attic as had happened before when a



squirrel had somehow squeezed past the vents.

All of a sudden, a thought came to me, "There's something in the closet behind me rattling the door back and forth."

I continued to talk to Manuel, but the hairs on my neck began to crawl! I was somewhat apprehensive to check the closed closet doors. I asked Manuel if he would mind hanging on for a moment so I could check out a strange noise emanating from my closet! As I carefully slid the door open, nothing happened at first! I thought, "I must be hearing things!" Suddenly! Sir Cyrus the cat came rushing out almost scaring the daylights out of me! After he recognized me, he was in no hurry to make his escape downstairs. I simply shooed him down the stairs, open-

ing the front door so he could get out, but he was still in no hurry to leave. After a little persuasion, he ran outside and the last I saw of him he was heading down the sidewalk, possibly to relieve himself, but toward his home.

How did he sneak past Sharon in the garage? Why didn't he run out before someone closed the closet doors in the first place? He must have been asleep in there and did not awaken as the doors were being closed. On discussing this incident

with Sir Cyrus' owners, I was told that usually around 6:30 a.m. each morning, they are awakened by little fingers reaching underneath their bedroom door, giving the door a good shake, telling them he needs to be let out to stretch, and relieve himself! I assume that this must have been what he was telling me as he shook the closet doors behind me.

That Sir Cyrus is one smart cat! Article reprint courtesy of http://www.spectatorron.com.

Correction:

In the June 9 "Car Show" article, a photo was given an incorrect caption. "Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Lambert with one of his Fords" should have read "Ricardo and Crystalann Trevino." The Times regrets the error.





Times Feature



Boating is a popular activity in Santa Clara County, but there can be hazards in our County Reservoirs. *Photo by Don DeBold (via flickr.com)*

Santa Clara County advises safe boating; practices explained

By Sean Eastwood Special to the Times

ith the official opening of the summer boating season, the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind boaters to practice safe boating on County Reservoirs.

Equipping recreational vessels with proper safety equipment, being mindful of state boating laws, avoiding alcohol, and checking weather conditions can decrease the chances of a boating accident. Below are some tips that will help boaters have a safe boating experience:

Life Jackets are a Must: There must be a properly fitted life jacket on your vessel for each person. Children under the age of 13, all personal watercraft riders, paddle-boarders, and anyone being towed behind a boat are required by law to wear a lifejacket.

Emergency Equipment: In the event of an emergency, boaters should have the following equipment in order to expedite a rescue:

Flares and an emergency position indicating radio beacon with 406 MHz capabilities.

A GPS unit, or at a minimum, boaters should maintain knowledge of local waters and know their location at all times.

An operational marine VHF radio. VHF channel 16 is an emergency only channel.

Boating Laws: In order to ensure a safe and enjoyable boating experience, it is important for all boaters to know and

follow California's boating laws. These laws may be found in the ABCs of California Boating booklet.

Weather Conditions: Boaters should check current and fore-casted weather conditions prior to getting underway, and remain aware of changing conditions once on the water.

The National Weather Service broadcasts weather conditions throughout the day on VHF channel WX2.

The Coast Guard broadcasts weather conditions on VHF channel 22A at 9:30 a.m., noon, and 4:30 p.m.

Vessel Safety Inspection: A safety inspection can ensure vessels are properly equipped with the recommended and required equipment. To book a complimentary appointment with a Coast Guard Auxiliary examiner, boaters can visit: vesselsafetycheck.org.

The Santa Clara County Department of Parks and Recreation encourages you to enjoy a safe boating season. For additional safe boating information please visit: dbw.ca.gov. For information on Santa Clara County Parks boating facilities, please visit: parkhere.org

The Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department has provided recreational opportunities, beautiful parks and precious natural resources for Santa Clara County residents for more than 50 years. This golden legacy has resulted in one of the largest regional park systems in the State of California.



\$1.2 billion pledged to assist Rotary International in eradicating polio

By Charlie Wasser Special to the Times

attended the Rotary International Convention which was held in Atlanta, Georgia June 10 through June

At one of the plenary sessions I attended the focus was on the status of Rotary's effort to eradicate polio. In 1985 when Rotary began the eradication effort, there were 350,000 new cases per year. There have only been 5 cases worldwide since January 1, 2017.

The last case of polio was February 20, 2017. Since there needs to be no cases of polio for 3 years to declare the world polio free, the date we need to hope for is February 20, 2020 when we can look back to February 20, 2017 and know we saw the end stages of polio.

Rotary International President John Germ said that we

still need \$1.5 billion to finish the eradication of polio worldwide. Within 10 minutes he rattled off donations from world countries that are working as hard as Rotary to eradicate the crippling disease. Then he gave us the grand total of donations (aka at this point pledges). The total President Germ gave us brought tears to my eyes. The donors pledged another \$1.2 billion. The Gates Foundation extended their 2 for 1 challenge (for every dollar Rotarians bring in, the Gates Foundation will match with another \$2.) Where it has been a match up to \$35 million a year until 2018, the match was increased to \$50 million and until





For those of you receiving this email and are not Rotarians, we have been requesting people to donate to the polio eradication effort a minimum of \$26.50. The \$26.50 represents the first deposit made into what has become The Rotary Foundation in 1917.

Please think about the incredible thing we are all witnessing... we are on the verge of eradicating the second disease that has affected humans in a horrible way.

I ask as a favor for future generations... your children... your grandchildren. Please consider donating a minimum of \$26.50 to the effort to eradicate polio before June 30, 2017. That is when the current Rotary year ends and it would be great to end the year with high amount of donations considering

how much was pledged today. Get in touch with me if you are not a Rotarian and I will handle the process for

Rotarians please go online at rotary.org to donate.

Norovirus prevention in the home and commercial settings

By Sean Eastwood

Times staff writer

orovirus has been spreading throughout the Bay Area, which is hitting communities hard and even closing several schools in some districts.

The spread of norovirus can happen quickly, and it's highly contagious and can infect anyone. According to the CDC (Center for Disease Control), "You can get it from an infected person, contaminated food or water, or by touching contaminated surfaces. The virus causes your stomach or intestines or both to get inflamed. This leads you to have stomach pain, nausea, and diarrhea and to throw up. These symptoms can be serious for some people, especially young children and older adults..." There is no vaccine for norovirus, so taking measures to prevent the spread is essential.

Prevention can start with simple cleaning measures at home, including the use of bleach to keep your family healthy. Commercial settings are critical for prevention too. The CDC recommends the use bleach to disinfect or use another U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered disinfectant that is approved to kill norovirus.

Here are some tips to prevent the spread norovirus:

Prevention in the Home

- · Always wash your hands carefully with soap and water, notably:
 - ☐ After using the toilet or changing diapers
 - $\hfill\Box$ Before eating, preparing, or handling food
- \bullet Always clean food thoroughly especially fruits and vegetables –before eating them
- ☐ Do not prepare food for yourself or others if you are
- Always clean and disinfect contaminated surfaces (such as kitchen countertops or bathroom sinks) by doing the following:
- ☐ Use 1/2 cup of Clorox® Bleach in 3/4 gallon of water
- \square Thoroughly wet surface with the solution and allow it to remain on the surface for 5 minutes.
- ☐ Rinse with clean water and dry

Prevention in Commercial Settings

In commercial settings, once an outbreak occurs it can be difficult to contain and costly, so it is important for advanced planning and having a well thought out institutional outbreak control plan that can be rapidly mobilized and deployed when the need arises. This includes:

- Training of staff
- Frequent cleaning and disinfecting of all surfaces
- Proper hand washing protocols for both staff and



Times **Features**

Water district approves expediting and extending a flood protection project for Coyote Creek

The Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors took action on June 13 to speed up a flood protection project along Coyote Creek.

The action expedites the reduction of flood risks for vulnerable areas along Coyote Creek, including the Rock Springs Neighborhood. Modifications will allow the water district to use local funding to work actively on reducing flood risks along one of Santa Clara County's largest creeks.

After a public hearing on, the board approved modifications to the original Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project, part of the voter-approved Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program.

The modifications include extending the project area by 2.9 miles upstream to Tully Road, revising the target protection from a 100-year flood event to a 20 to 25-year flood event, and identifying and implementing short-term flood relief solutions prior to the 2017-2018 winter Season. The board also voted to form a community task force to foster community engagement in these efforts.

The board will continue to pursue state and federal funding avenues for the project, having recently returned from meeting with congressional delegates in Washington D.C. to obtain federal support. In addition, the water district is advocating for streamlined regulatory permitting processes, which often delay flood protection and water supply projects.

With the new board-approved project modifications, the water district can advance the project while continuing to evaluate opportunities to provide a 100-year flood protection project to remove parcels from FEMA designated flood zones.

"The water district is committed to reducing flood risks and protecting homes and properties," said Board Chair John Varela. "We will do all we can to advance flood protection efforts and prevent the devastation we saw this past winter."

The Coyote Creek Project was included in the 15-year special parcel tax Clean, Safe Creeks and Natural Flood Protection Plan approved by voters in November 2000, with \$32 million allocated to the project. The project aimed to provide 100-year flood protection for areas along Coyote Creek from Montague Expressway to Highway 280. The original project scope did not include areas that experienced damage from the February 2017 flooding event.

In the early 2000s the water district completed a planning study

and preliminary design for the Coyote Creek Project with approximately \$10 million allocated from the Clean, Safe Creeks program. Based on the study, the proposed project would cost between \$500 million and \$1 billion. The water district attempted to obtain a partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for federal financial support, including for a project in the Rock Springs area, but was unsuccessful after multiple attempts.

Without additional secured funding, the water district could not pursue a flood protection project to completion. When the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program was approved by voters in 2012, the Coyote Creek Project carried over with its original scope. However, the project did not receive additional funding from the special parcel tax.



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Times News Briefs

Evergreen High School Wind Ensemble to perform at Carnegie Hall April 2018

By William Bellou
Publisher

he Evergreen Valley High School (EVHS) Wind Ensemble is preparing for their performance at the world famous Carnegie Hall in New York, NY on April, 2018.

This Carnegie Hall stage has welcomed the most famous and influential music artists for decades and is considered the single best venue in which to perform.

"We are so honored to be asked to perform at the evening awards portion of the New York International Music Festival once again," said Steven Barnhill, EVHS Band & Orchestra Director. "Our Wind Ensemble will also be participating in the festival portion as we did in 2015 which only serves to prove the status of the EVHS Band/Orchestra program."

"Students participating in the performances are members of a premier and elite musical ensemble," said Barnhill.

Barnhill said there will be several fund raising activities to help defray travel expenses.

Donations to help defray costs associated with travel arrangements to Carnegie Hall are welcome. For more information, contact Steven A. Barnhill at Steven A. Barnhill at 408.347.7034, or at barnhills@esuhsd.org

Finances: Ways to reduce stress and anxiety

Trading in your morning coffee run to Starbucks for the pot of coffee in the office is never fun, but when finances get tight that drive-thru stop might be one of the first things to go.

But do you really need to give up the little things in life that make you happy? Al Zdenek, the author of the book Master Your Cash Flow: The Key To Grow And Retain Wealth, doesn't think so.

"It's important to be able to hang onto those things you enjoy," says Zdenek, the president, CEO and founder of Traust Sollus Wealth Management. "You should be able to, just as long as you continue to make smart decisions on bigger issues that affect your future wealth."

There is a lot of financial stress and anxi-

ety in the country. Zdenek says if you can eliminate financial stress from your life, your anxiety levels will go down. Here are some of the things he recommends to accomplish that:

- Know what you need. The unknown is the biggest stress driver. There is a cash flow per month that would allow you to live the way you want now and in the future. This is something you should know.
- Fix broken cash flow. Unfortunately, we have all made poor financial choices, some of which have been more costly than others. There is no need to continue this. There are ways to find solutions in everyday decisions that will allow you to start your cash flow going in the right direction.
- Use debt smarter. Many types of debt can be good; such as real estate, investments and investing in your business. Make your debt decisions like a well-run company and create wealth.
- Make sure you have a road map. Having a good financial plan is like having a good map and researching your trip ahead of time. You can wing your financial plan, but if you work less in life and get to your destination sooner, your life will be less stressful if you have a plan.
- Don't let your decisions come back to haunt you. The bad decisions you make could come back to haunt you decades down the road. Learn how to avoid costly decisions and always make the correct financial choices, 100 percent of the time.
- Work when you want. People like to know when they don't have to work anymore. A good advisor can set you up with a plan that will give you this option well before you reach retirement age.

"By consistently making the best financial decisions, people can find more cash flow to spend or save," Zdenek says. "That way they may achieve financial independence sooner, work less in life and have less anxiety and stress in their financial lives."

About Al Zdenek

Al Zdenek is he president, CEO and founder (1982) of Traust Sollus Wealth Management, a boutique wealth management firm dedicated to empowering people to transform their lives and live the life they wish now and in the future. His book, Master Your Cash Flow, shows readers how to achieve the wealth they need and then find additional cash flow to live the lifestyle they desire now and forever.

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Times Feature

Career Day

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one very nice one at Laurelwood School. The writer used the Three Little Pigs to demonstrate who, what, when, where, why, and how. Children's questions urged the speakers onward as they enlightened their listeners about their various and sundry careers.

Anyone interested in being included in the next year's lineup are encouraged to contact Laurelwood School by calling (408) 270-4983. Students are very interested in what the speakers do and how they do it. This encourages students, who might or might not now have a career in mind, to consider seeking more information about a certain pathway.

This is just another way that schools interact with the community and keep students informed of all the opportunities out there. Keep up the good work, Laurelwood and have a wonderful summer break.





Above: Firemen show the workings of an engine; The treats were plentiful and delicious; and below: The entire group of speakers.





Times Feature

Forgotten side effects in the use of Marijuana

By Sean Eastwood

Times staff writer

with every passing election cycle, more states are beginning to legalize marijuana for recreational use.

Eight states and the District of Columbia currently have laws legalizing the use of recreational marijuana, while nearly half the states in the union have some form of a medical marijuana law on their books.

Whether pro or con to the marijuana argument, dentist and bacteriologist Dr. Harold Katz says there is one aspect of smoking weed that no one is talking about.

"One of the side effects of marijuana is dry mouth, otherwise known as cotton mouth," says Katz. "I don't see anyone discussing the negative effects of smoking marijuana, particularly to oral health."

Katz says the effects of dry mouth can lead to bad breath, tooth decay and gum disease, which is linked to an increased risk for heart attacks and strokes.

Millions of people suffer from dry mouth, known as xerostomia (zeer-oh-stomia). Dry mouth affects the ability to maintain a sufficient flow of saliva in the mouth, which eliminates food debris in the mouth, kills viruses and discourages the anaerobic bacterial growth that produces chronic bad breath.

There are many different causes of dry mouth, but Katz says three of the most common causes that can be controlled include the following:

• Smoking tobacco and marijuana. Studies have shown that long-term smok-

ing significantly reduces salivary flow. This reduction is tied to an increase in oral health disorders associated with xerostomia, including dental decay, gingivitis, tooth mobility and halitosis.

• Medications. Both prescription and over-the-counter medications can cause dry mouth. Among these are decongestants, allergy medications, diuretics, sedatives, muscle relaxants, antihypertensives and antidepressants. In addition, cancer treatments such as radiation can damage salivary glands, and chemotherapy can cause saliva to thicken, making the mouth feel dry.

• Drying agents. The most common drying agent in food and beverages is alcohol. In fact, alcohol causes the worst form of dry mouth, because both the flow of saliva and oxygen content in the mouth are substantially reduced. Compounding this problem is that many popular brand-name mouthwashes contain at least 15 to 27 percent alcohol. Using alcohol-based mouthwashes makes the mouth very dry, which exacerbates xerostomia.

"If dry mouth is left untreated, it can take its toll on a person's oral health and cause many side effects," Katz says. "Consequences include oral fungal infections, mouth sores, cavities, gingivitis, receding gums, tooth abscesses and even a loss of teeth."

About Dr. Harold Katz

Dr. Harold Katz received his degree in bacteriology from UCLA and is the founder of The California Breath Clinics and author of The Bad Breath Bible. He has been featured on ABC's Good Morning America, CBS's Early Show and The View with Barbara Walters and countless other TV shows. Dr. Katz formulated the TheraBreath (therabreath.com) oral care program in 1994 and has continued to update products in order to make use of the most effective and most natural ingredients.

Keeping the community healthy following an outbreak of a virus

ver the past few weeks, a number of our students have come down with a fairly common stomach virus that has been impacting communities up and down the state.

District officials, school administrators, and professional health staff have worked tirelessly and diligently to keep this highly contagious virus from spreading, in close consultation with the Santa Clara County Public Health Department.

Some of the steps we've taken include:

- Cleaning and sanitizing affected schools on a daily basis;
- Sending school nurses to classrooms at affected schools to instruct students on good hygiene and handwashing habits
- Voluntarily cancelling or postponing non-instructional events at some schools.

In most cases, students feel better within 1-2 days. However, following guidelines from public health officials, we have asked parents to keep their students out of school until they are symptom free for at least 48 hours. This is to ensure that they have fully "shed" the virus before returning to campus.

The most important thing you can do is make sure you're washing your hands on a regular basis. This may seem like a simple step, but there's more to washing up than just running water over your hands.



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Bus Trip

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in the middle of the auditorium: What can you do to get more girls interested in government so they will run for office some

"Women don't get involved in politics because no one asks them. We expect someone to ask us to do it," said Assemblywoman Anna M. Caballero, who is one of 26 women in the 120-member California Assembly and Senate.

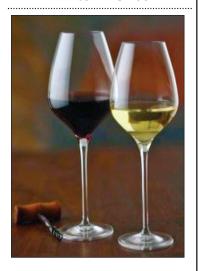
"Find something you're passionate about and want to get done. If you see something that isn't right and needs to be changed, you've got to be ready to lead the battle and change it," she said. "Figure out how to get organized. No question that we need more

Among the 155 participants on our 15th annual Bus Trip for Education, which is sponsored by my office and the Silicon Valley Education Foundation, were students from the Evergreen School District representing Chaboya and Leyva Middle Schools.



Assemblywoman Anna Caballero speaks to the assembled participants.

Times **Events**



New Seasons Market Evergreen events

Weekdays, 12-6pm: Sampling / Tastings at the Solutions Counter. Mondays: meatless recipes; Tuesdays: 5-ingredients-or-less meals; Wednesdays: new wellness product, healthy meal recipe or featured healthy item from our deli and juice bar; Thursdays: gluten-free foods, meals and treats; plus Fridays, 5-7pm: wine tasting and cheese pairings. Complimentary.

Every Wednesday, 3-4pm: Wellness Teas for Seniors. Interested in better your health and socializing? Join us in the café area for short presentations on health/nutrition topics over a relaxing cup of tea and a healthy treat. Free.

Thursday June 29, 6–7:30pm: Craft Beer 101. Learn about brewing, ingredients, how beer gets it flavor, ABV (Alcohol By Volume) and terms for different aspects. Enjoy samples of four popular styles and snacks. \$15. Preregister at our Solutions Counter or at http:// www.newseasonsmarketevergreen.eventbrite.com.

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District 8 Community Roundtable

1st Thursday of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Location: Village Square" 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@ sbc-

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

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 201516 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 the second Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m. at the Evergreen Library on Aborn Road, San Jose. Featuring a FREE monthly gardening class to the public. Further information Susie Henderson @408/532-6602 susiehenderson@sbcglobal.net

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.sanjoseca.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 friend-sofevergreenlibrary. org or call 408-808-3060 for more information.

Hidden Glen Community

To join a neighborhood discus-

sion 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

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.

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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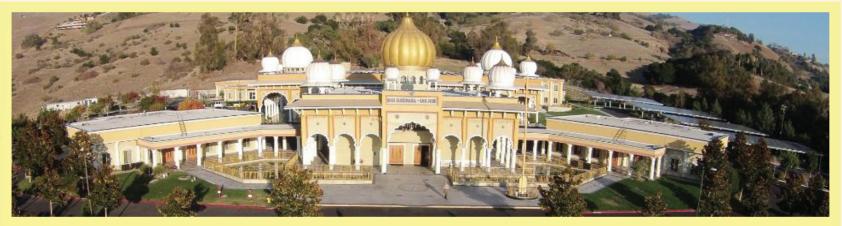
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Bay Area Sikhs invite you to the 4th of July Parade (Rose, White and Blue Parade and Festival)

At 8 am to noon, starting at Lincoln High School (Dana Avenue), in addition to all other wonderful performers marching in the parade, please cheer on Boy Scout Troop #600 and Girl Scout Troop #601020 who have regular meetings at the Sikh Guardara and help our wonderful community in so many ways. Bay Area Sikhs will be distributing over 10,000 complementary water bottles to all who line the parade route.

Load the car with the family and drive on up!

With 500 plus car parking and over 40 acres of beautiful land to walk upon, please come and visit us! We will be hosting a fun family friendly event with food, fresh fruits and lots of ice cream!! Tours of the Gurdwara Sahib will be a nice way for you to experience the state of the art building with its unique architecture showcasing Sikh heritage. Nestled up on the hill (take Quimby Road), tours will be available starting at 5 pm. Then as the evening moves forward bring your family to enjoy complementary ice cream and more. Did you know that this building is the only religious site to have 100% Green solar and thus, all of our electricity is created on-site.

What a wonderful overlook of all the fireworks in our valley!!!

We will finish off the evening watching fireworks from our hilltop view of the city. Please bring your family and friends to celebrate the freedom and independence we enjoy as citizens of this great country. What a wonderful country: America!

We embrace the values of our American heritage strongly!

Values of Justice, liberty, equality and welfare of all, as enshrined in the US constitution also form the cornerstone of the Sikh beliefs (5th largest religion in the world). Guru Nanak, the founder of the Sikh religion, preached these values in the 15th century. Some of his successors and many Sikhs gave their lives to protect the rights of even non-Sikh communities to practice the religion of their choice. Guru Nanak promoted worship of one God, the supreme creator; and rejected any inequalities based on religion, caste, gender or race. In the Gurdwara Sahib, every prayer ends seeking the welfare of all. It is therefore very befitting for us to be celebrating the independence day of this great country, whose values we share so deeply. We would love to take you and your family on a tour of the site and serve you wonderful refreshments!

Gurdwara Tours: 5:00 pm till 8:00 pm, Fruits & Ice cream Social: 7:00 pm till 9:00pm

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