AWARD WINNING **EVHS WIND ENSEMBLE AND ADVANCED** STRINGS TO PERFORM **OCTOBER 13 - P4**



RELIEF EFFORT FOR HELD AT REGENCY **EVERGREEN VALLEY** SENIOR LIVING -P7



SIKHS GIVE PLAYGROUND AND PARADE TO EVERGREEN COMMUNITY - P14



SEPT. 15 – SEPT. 28, 2017 ■ VOL. 34, NO. 19

L'vergree mes SERVING EVERGREEN & SILVER CREEK VALLEY SINCE 1982 ■ EVERGREENTIMES.COM

Baseball Buddies Foundation founders (left) Matthew Leffler, President and Jordan Leffler, Vice President.

Evergreen community donates baseball gear

By Sean Eastwood

Times staff writer atthew Leffler, 16, and Jordan Leffler, 17 are on a mission to help underprivileged kids around the world to enjoy the game of baseball with proper gear like cleats, gloves, bats, and balls.

The Lefflers, founders of Baseball Buddies Foundation, encourage local residents to donate baseball sports gear. The Found-



ation works to distribute the gear to underprivileged children in the U.S. and other countries enabling them to play baseball with proper shoes and equipment.

The Evergreen Valley community organized a social media See DONATION, page 3

Some streets closed on Sunday Sept. 17 for Viva CalleSJ event

¬he "Walk, skate, play open streets," a free San Jose program will take place on Sept 17. The event temporarily closes miles of San Jose streets, some in Evergreen Valley, in an effort to bring communities together to walk, bike, state and explore the city like never before.

Six miles of streets will be closed through some of San Jose's most iconic neighborhoods so that people can come out and play. The event will last from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It's not a race; participants can start anywhere and go as far as they like either way on the roads. There is no beginning and end and it is a time for exploration and building more friendships between communities.



GIVING BACK TO SILVER OAK Rob (Father) and Kingston Dickman of Pack 264 work on the bookcases project.

Scouts build 20 high-end bookcases for Silver Oak Elementary School

By Philip Sansone Cubmaster, Pack 264 Special to the Times

or several years, the Silver Oak Elementary School has been out of space in the library to hold books that have been donated by the Evergreen/ Silver Creek community.

Rather than turning away donations, Karen Hokanson, Silver Oak librarian, put out the call for the need of 20 bookcases. Hokanson didn't want passionate student readers, due to limited space; to never get to see the bevy of donations to the library.

Cubscout Pack 264 came together to answer the call

"From April thru June, scouts pitched-in, from our kindergartners to our oldest Weblos Scouts" says Philip Sansone, the Pack 264 Cubmaster. "The scouts of the 'Lion Den,' who were too young to operate power tools, took the initiative to select quality wood and deliver the construction materials from the local Lowe's home improvement store."

During the next several months, the older scouts came to a makeshift workshop to mark, rough-cut, sand and assemble the wood into bookshelves. The scouts learned how to safely operate miter saws, band saws, routers, sanders and more. They also learned the carpentry skills of how to properly mark wood and cut it precisely by taking saw blade width into account. The final assembly and staining was done by parents of the pack.

"It was a learning experience for everyone involved," said Sansone. "Kids in most schools do not have the opportunity to learn skills like carpentry and wood working, which creates the See SCOUTS, page 8

THE HARRIS TEAM

PROFESSIONALISM AT ITS BEST

Harris Team Properties Now Available for Viewing!

Villages Golf and Country Club. Active 55 plus community. This a gated community with numerous amenities such as Golf, Tennis, Swimming, and much more.



For Sale!

6090 Montgomery Ct. San Jose, CA 95135 2 beds 1 bath 913 sq. ft. \$445,000

Beautiful Senior Resort, Villages Golf and Country Club in San Jose. 2 Bedroom and 1 bathroom condo for someone seeking quiet and serene setting. Large patio in back with courtyard in the front. There is a large living room and dining room combination with skylight. The Villages has many amenities such as golf, tennis, bocce, and lovely club house off the 1st tee. There are four pools with adjourning activity centers. Must be 55 or older to be resident. Come preview this condo located within walking distance to the Club House.

RECENT SALES:

6322 Whaley Drive 5538 Cribari Circle 8786 Grape Wagon Drive, Villages 236 Eagle Trace Drive, Half Moon Bay



Sale Pending 8203 Claret Ct.

Wonderful location! 2 Bedroom and 2 bath with a den, single family home located in the Villages Golf and Country Club for 55+ active people. Lots of Golf, Tennis and swimming as well as numerous clubs for socializing with your neighbors. 1650 Sq. Ft. of living space on large lot. \$890,000



Available!

7925 Caledonia

Beautiful 3 bedroom and 2 bath single family home located in the Villages Golf and Country Club for 55+ active people. There is 2034 Sq. Ft of living space with large deck and patio overlooking the open space. \$960,000.

For more information on these properties please call us today. Great opportunities wont last!!





David and Vicki Harris 2921 The Villages Parkway San Jose, CA 95135 CalBRE 01908982 / 01167363 www.davidharrisrealtor.com 408-722-0589





Times Local News

Arbor Day Foundation offers ten free trees

A rbor Day Foundation is offering 10 free trees as part of the Foundation's Trees for America program when you join the organization in September.

Through Trees for America, everyone is encouraged to plant trees, which benefits the environment and improves the quality of life. With nearly 1 million members and supporters, the Arbor Day Foundation is the nation's largest non-profit organization dedicated to planting trees.

"The trees are carefully selected to yield year-round benefits, including beautiful spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, winter berries, and nesting sites for songbirds," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed

to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Easy-to-follow planting instructions are enclosed with each shipment of trees.

To receive the 10 free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 2017, or join online at arborday.org/september.

Day in the Park Oct. 7

ouncilwoman Sylvia Arenas is presenting the annual free Fall Family Festival Day in the Park on October 7.

The event promises an afternoon of fun, with games, entertainment, a resource fair, a pumpkin patch and even free BBQ (while supplies last.) For more information, see page 13.



The Baseball Buddies Foundation receives donated items ready to be shipped for disadvantaged youth. Pictured (I to r) are **Christopher Linney, Matthew Leffler**, President of Baseball Buddies, and **Tyler Brodick**.

Donation

Continued from page 1 campaign to acquire the donated baseball equipment during the past month. The sports gear was gathered and preThe Foundation also works with the Boys and Girls Club of America, Skip Program, and the RBI program, (Restoring Baseball in Inner Cities).

For more information, contact Baseball Buddies Foundation (baseballbuddies. org).





Free Bundtlet with the purchase of a bundtlet



San Jose - Evergreen

2721 Aborn Road, Suite 10 San Jose, CA 95121 (408) 238-7500

Expires 9/30/17. Limit one coupon per guest. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Redeemable only at the bakery listed. Must be claimed in-bakery during normal business hours. No cash value.

WE DELIVER | ORDER ONLINE | NOTHINGBUNDTCAKES.COM



4205 San Felipe Road, Suite 200

San Jose, CA 95135

(408) 270-4333

www.plazadental.com

If you HAVE to go to the dentist, this is clearly the practice to go to!

J. Campbell 3/28/2017

Serving Evergreen / Silver Creek families for over 28 years!

- **★** General & Cosmetic Dentistry
- **★** Implants & Oral Surgery
- **★** Digital X-Ray / 3D Imaging
- * Caring, Professional Staff

Douglas W. Vierra, D.D.S. / Sharon D. Hoefling, D.D.S. Raju Y. Reddy, M.D., D.D.S.









FREE Sonicare Toothbrush after Initial Exam, X-rays & Cleaning

Plaza Dental Group - (408) 270-4333

Must present coupon at first visit. Limit one per customer. Limited to one per family. Not valid with any other offer. Expires 9/30/17



This Week:

COMMUNITY

Chess works as a helpful tool for community development: PAGE 6

NEWS

Relief effort for Harvey flood victims held at Regency **Evergreen Valley Senior Living: PAGE 7**

FEATURE

Sikhs give playground and parade to Evergreen community: PAGE 14



EVENTS

Battle of the Big Bands coming to the Montgomery Theater Oct. 1: PAGE 10

ALSO

Worship Guide: PAGE 16 Meeting Times: PAGE 22

Evergreen

PUBLISHER / CEO: WILLIAM BELLOU

SR. ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE: BRIGITTE JONES

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE: KEVIN LARSEN

STAFF WRITERS: DIANE BLUM. SUNAY SANGHANI, SEAN EASTWOOD, KEVIN LARSEN, NIRBAN SINGH. FRANK SHORTT

ART DIRECTOR: JEFF BAHAM

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: SANDY BELLOU

Copyright © 2017 Times Media, Inc. All rights reserved. The Evergreen Times prefers letters to the editor and submissions of guest articles and columns for possible publication to be sent by ail to editorial@timesmediainc.com. All submitted material ome the property of Times Media, Inc., and receipt of unso

Valley Currents

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



A concert featuring the award winning Evergreen Valley High School Wind Ensemble (inset below) and Advanced Strings Orchestras (above) will be held on Oct. 13.

Award winning EVHS Wind Ensemble and Advanced Strings to perform October 13

Evergreen community invited to attend the benefit concert

By William Bellou Publisher

community concert featuring the award winning Evergreen Valley High School Wind Ensemble and Advanced Strings Orchestras will be held on October 13.

Tickets are \$5 at the door of the Evergreen High School concert auditorium, located at 3300 Quimby Road, SJ, CA 95148. The concert starts at 7 p.m.

Both ensembles are raising money to pay for travel expenses for the Wind Ensemble's performance next April at the world famous Carnegie Hall in New York.

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

Evergreen Valley students participating in the performances are members of a premier and elite musical ensemble.

"We are so honored that the Wind Ensemble has been asked to perform at the evening awards portion of the New York International Music Festival," said Steven Barnhill, EVHS Band and Orchestra Director. "Our Wind Ensemble is recognized as one of the top high school ensembles in the nation.

Barnhill said the October 13 concert is the first of several fund raising activities to help defray the costs associated with the

three day trip to New York. The Wind Ensemble may also be performing in Central Park.

Donations to help defray costs

associated with travel arrangements to Carnegie Hall are wel-

come. You may also reserve

advanced group tickets for the

October 13 event. For more information, contact Steven A. Barnhill at 408.347.7034, or at barnhills@esuhsd.org.



Donate blood and get a free haircut

By Sean Eastwood Times staff writer

The American Red Cross is offering free haircut coupons for anyone donating blood platelets during the month of September.

Those who come out to give blood or platelets Sept. 1-30 will receive a coupon for a free haircut via email several days after their donation. The coupon is valid through Nov. 11, 2017, at participating Sport Clips locations. Donors must have a valid email address on record to receive the coupon.

"We are excited to continue the Saving Lives Never Looked So Good campaign and partnership with Sport Clips this September," said Donna M. Morrissey, director of national partnerships, Red Cross Biomedical Services. "We are grateful for Sport Clips showing its support of the Red Cross and saying 'thank you' to those helping save lives through blood donations."

Blood donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their predonation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit http://www.redcrossblood. org/RapidPass and follow the instructions on the

Editor's note: Sports Clips is located at 874-D Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, CA 95123; Open: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Phone: 408.227.4897.

THE EVERGREEN TIMES HEAR FROM YOU!

Send your letters to editorial@ timesmediainc.com or mail to: Evergreen Times, Silicon Valley Business Center, 1900 Camden Ave., San Jose, CA 95124

THE ADDRESS IS EVERGREEN THE EXPERIENCE IS ALAIN PINEL



1626 Hill Top View Court | 5bd/4.5ba E.Parker/N.Brown | 408.202.9000



5391 Silver Vista Way | 2bd/2ba Kerry Sexton | 408.476.4844



8343 Riesling Way | 2bd/2ba David Harris | 415.699.7083 SOLD



8511 Fume Blanc Court | 2bd/2ba David Harris | 415.699.7083 SOLD

APR.COM

Over 30 Real Estate Offices Serving The Bay Area Including San Jose - Almaden Valley 408.754.1500





Chess works as a helpful tool for community development

By Akshin Gopal Special to the Times

igh school volunteers, under leadership of Edith Sutterlin, Evergreen branch librarian, organized the first chess tournament at Evergreen library for children between the ages of 10-15 in late July.

More than 20 students played in bracketed games. The winners received trophies while the rest of the players received certificates for participation.

The idea for the tournament came about when volunteers ran chess classes at Evergreen Library. The chess students wanted to play in a tournament, but could not due to time constraints of the class. Therefore, it was decided that the teaching volunteers host a tournament during summer vacation.

Due to the positive response of both the chess classes and the chess tournament, chess classes are now being held at the Evergreen Library on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. for ages 10-15.

What is chess?

Chess is a game played on a chess board by two players. The board has 64 colored squares in an 8x8 grid.

The game's storied history

The earliest predecessor of the game probably originated in India, before the 6th century AD; a minority of historians believe the game originated in China. From India, the game spread to Persia. When the Arabs conquered Persia, chess was taken up by the Muslim world and subsequently spread to Southern Europe. In Europe, chess evolved into roughly its current form in the 15th century. Only during the late 19th century was chess popularized as a sport. The current World Chess Champion is Magnus Carlsen of





Akshin Gopal (above left), grade 11, student at Evergreen Valley High School, helped organized the first chess tournament at Evergreen Library along with other high school volunteers.

Norway, who became champion in 2013. **Avoiding the threat of capture**

Each player begins with 16 pieces: one king, one queen, two rooks, two knights, two bishops, and eight pawns. The pieces are also colored different; white and black, white always starts first as a rule. The objective of the game is to checkmate the other side's king, basically placing the

king in threat of capture and tactfully succeeding with each successive turn to engineer moves that succeed in causing the king to be unable to escape. The game reflects life and is full of challenges which can be overcome with keen thinking. In the end of a match, the king can be laid down as a symbol of defeat; Checkmate.

Better than video games

Chess remains a highly popular pastime among the general populace. A 2012 survey found that "chess players now make up one of the largest communities in the world: 605 million adults play chess regularly". Chess is played at least once a year by 15 percent of all Americans.

Get your brain on

Chess also comes with an array of health benefits. For example, one study found that playing chess can actually promote brain growth. It is believed that games like chess challenge the brain and can actually stimulate the growth of dendrites that send out signals from the brain's neuron cells. With more dendrites, neural communication within the brain improves and transmits faster. It also has a host of other benefits including raising IQ, improving foresight and improving problem solving skills.

Pictured: Students seen battling it out in a game of chess





PROGRAMS

Times **Feature**



Relief effort for Harvey flood victims held at Regency Evergreen Valley Senior Living

By Frank Shortt

Times staff writer

nder the direction of Jolie Higgins, Senior Executive Director, at the Regency Evergreen Valley Senior Living in Evergreen, a garage sale and fundraiser was held on Saturday, Sept. 9 for Harvey flood victims in Texas.

Although most of these Senior citizens are unable to go out into the public to attend fundraisers and community efforts, they decided to have one of their own. By donating from their already space limited belongings, they were able to raise a considerable amount of money for the Harvey relief effort. Being a whole continent away from the devastation did not hamper the goodwill of these bastions of society.

The Regency Management Team, along with some residents decided that the victims of Hurricane Harvey were in need of some help. Residents supported the idea and donated items such as clothes, books, blankets, pictures, toys, kitchen items, and some donated financially. As preparations were made beforehand, items were donated, residents made signs for the yard

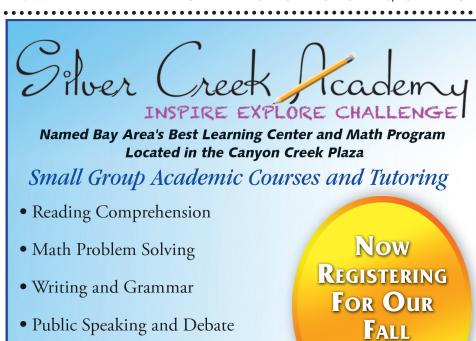
sale, flyers were posted, and residents, as well as staff, donated their time for the yard sale. Residents at the Regency consist of those who formerly had lived at the Villages, the surrounding area, and some who were from out of state.

Higgins stated, "I am passionate about senior care while providing and empowering an atmosphere for residents to maintain their independence." She also said, "We here at the Regency want to create a community with a safe and loving environment for our residents, giving them respect, dignity, and choice." Including residents in activities, such as the fundraiser, gives them a sense of commu-

The Staff at Regency feels blessed to be able to give back. It is a great way to bring the community together to achieve a common goal.

Further donations may be made by contacting Jolie Higgins at (408) 532-7677, or email Higgins at regencyevergreened @islllc.com. Thanks to all who participated and donated to this worthy cause.





Test-Taking Strategies

Competitive Debate

For a complete list of programs visit: www.SilverCreekAcademicAcademy.com email: FunLearning@mac.com 5619 Silver Creek Valley Road San Jose, CA 95138

• HSPT, ISEE, SSAT, & SAT Test Preparation

Study Skills for Academic Success

(408) 839-5905



Times Local News





Scouts

Continued from page 1

opportunity for organizations like Cub Scouts to show them how to build many of the things they need themselves.

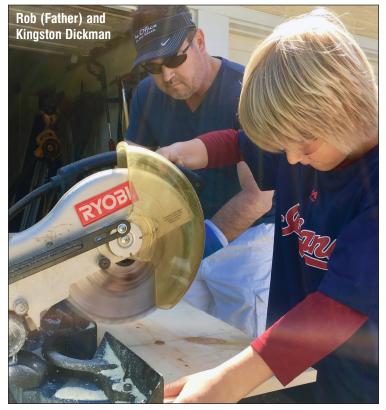
Learning to build things using carpentry and wood working skills is reinforced by many scout activities. For example, Wolf Den Scouts (3rd graders) are taught how to carve wood and use pocketknives safely. All grade levels come together for the popular and successful annual "Pinewood Derby" at Eastridge Center in which the boys design, build, race and cheer for their own gravity-propelled cars.

In the end, all the time and money for

In the end, all the time and money for the project was donated by the parents and children of Pack 264 to teach the scouts the necessity and rewards of community service and to thank the school for the use of the facilities used to hold Pack meetings.

Editor's note: If you have a son in grades K-5 and would like to know more about the many benefits of joining the Cub Scouts, please contact Pack 264 via e-mail at silveroak.cubscout@gmail.com.









Times Local News

Bringing community members together for discussions; sixth grade coding program offered

By Edith Sutterlin Special to the Times

That difference does a public library make to your community? This is only one aspect of a deeper conversation that provides us with a chance to better understand your

SPORTS BRIEF

Teen basketball sign-ups at Chaboya Middle School underway

Teen Basketball at Chaboya Middle School began Friday, September 8th for all interested Evergreen-area boys and girls in the 5th thru 8th grade regardless of the school they are attending.

Sign-ups will continue until the two divisions of 60 players are filled.

The league will consist of two co-ed divisions of six teams and no more than 10 players on each team. In this "funpetitive," league, everyone plays equal minutes for the first four quarters.

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 \$175 which includes a game jersey, games, personal lanyard, participation medal, 1st and 2nd place trophies, facility use and officials.

Be a part of this exciting league every Friday afternoon and prepare yourself for your upcoming school and recreational leagues.

For more information or to register, phone John at (408) 605-1513 or Al at (408) 410-3570 or email E.A.S.Y. Hoops at easy-hoopsbasketball@yahoo.com to obtain a registration form. You may also pick up and drop off your registration at Chaboya Middle School.

FIELDS FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC

- **■** Posture Correction
- **■** Sport Injuries
- Health Maintenance

2919 The Villages Pkwy. San Jose, CA 95135 (408) 274-2244

fieldsfamilychiro.com

Dr. Adam Fi
Expert with the Sp

Dr. Adam Fields

Expert with the Spine, Shoulders,
Knees, and Elbows. Prevent your
hip replacement without surgery!

aspirations for the greater Evergreen community, concerns you have, and what you believe might make a difference in strengthening our community and neighborhood.

Community Conversations facilitators hope to bring community members together to talk to each other about issues facing you and your neighbors in open discussions. Come either on Saturday, September 30, at 2 pm to the Evergreen Branch Community Room or at 5 pm to the Village Square Branch.

New 6th grade coding program An Appetite for Apps is a new coding program for third through sixth graders. The Village Square Branch invites you to preregister now for this four week series starting Saturday, September 16, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

This program is designed for children who are interested in cre-

ating applications for mobile Android devices. Children will learn MIT App Inventor 2, an easy-to-learn programming tool and get hands-on experience producing working applications, without any prior knowledge in programming! Participants must bring their own laptop, and preregistration is required. Participants are also encouraged to bring their own Android device,

Puppet Show

Elmo & Grover in the Park Puppet Show comes to Village Square, Friday, September 22, 4:00 p.m., and to Evergreen on Tuesday, October 10, 11:00 a.m. Join the Santa Clara Valley Water District's education outreach team and learn about conservation and recycling through this fun puppet show. Water District staff will also have handouts available on water conservation, rebates and upcoming workshops.

Banned books

Public Libraries support your freedom to read all year 'round, but we celebrate this particularly during an annual Banned Books Week. Evergreen will be hosting a Banned Books Week Virtual Readout program on Thursday, September 28, 4 p.m., allowing vou to collaborate with others to videotape a two minute excerpt of a Banned Book you select to share. Many challenged and banned books will be available from which to choose, and volunteer videographers will help you preserve your Readaloud for later viewing by others. Village Square's Banned Book display is already up; check at their Information desk for details about their Virtual Readout September 25-29.

Additional Events

View all library 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)

Parking

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

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



BREAKFAST LUNCH DINNER

Free Mimosa

with any breakfast entree



(ONE COUPON PER TABLE – CANNOT BE USED WITH ANY OTHER PROMOTION) Expires 9-30-17

HOUSE OF MEATBALL

(408) 622-4838 | 4898 San Felipe Rd. | San Jose

Kid's Menu: \$6.50 Drink included

Ask about our gluten free options

Breakfast hours:

M-F 11 a.m. to closing | Sat-Sun 8 a.m. to closing

Lunch/Dinner Hours:

Mon-Thurs...11 a.m. – 8 p.m. Fri-Sat...11 a.m. – 10 p.m. Sun...11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Catering Now Available on our Beautiful Patio!

Reserve your special event... (Birthday, Graduation, Engagement, Bridal Shower, Baby Shower, Anniversary, Retirement or Corporate event...)

Visit our website: houseofmeatball.com

HOUSE OF MEATBALL Phone: (408) 622-4838 4898 San Felipe Rd., San Jose



ROGER LLOYD WOOD'S BIG BANDS

Battle of the Big Bands - Miller Vs. Dorsey - coming to the Montgomery Theater Oct. 1

By Sean Eastwood

Times staff writer

Register and Sunday, October 1 at the Montgomery Theater in San Jose.

Two separate bands, one playing Dorsey and the other playing Miller, will compete for audience votes at the end of the two-hour show.

The bands will perform the "original scores" of both Miller and Dorsey. The Roger Lloyd Wood's Big Bands are currently on tour in 10 California cities featuring two popular vocalists, Bill A. Jones and Nancy Osborne.



Bill A. Jones

Bill A. Jones is known to millions from his multiple appearances as news anchor 'Rod Remington' on the hit Fox TV show "GLEE". Bill was recently named one of LA's top Male Cabaret/Concert Artists. As a singer, Bill has opened for Tony Bennett and Steve Tyrell, and has toured with The Glenn Miller Orchestra.



Nancy Osborne

Nancy Osborne's career includes performing with some of the greatest bands and orchestras, led by legendary leaders Nelson Riddle, Tex Beneke, Ray Anthony, and Pat Longo. Nancy's





Glenn Miller (top) and Tommy Dorsey

recently released jazz combo CD "Songs in the Key of Love," has received rave reviews.

Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey were two of the top Big Band leaders of the 1940's. Glenn Miller's many greatest hits include "In the Mood", "(I've got a Gal in) Kalamzoo" and "Chattanooga Choo Choo". Tommy Dorsey's greatest hits include "I'll be Seeing You", "Marie" and "Blue Skies".

About Gary Vecchiarelli Productions

Gary Vecchiarelli Productions-Las Vegas has delighted audiences with "pure" Big Band sounds that are a "Blast from the Past" for nearly 15 years.

Tickets for Battle of the Big Bands are \$39-\$59. For more information, call: (408) 792-4111 for tickets or visit the San Jose Theater Box Office at 271 So. Market St., San Jose; or visit: battleofthebigbands.com/showstickets/#san-jose-ca

Two separate bands, one playing Dorsey and the other playing Miller, will compete for audience votes at the end of the two-hour show.

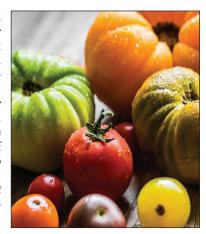
Times Events

New Seasons Market Events

Fridays, 5-7pm: Friday Wine Tasting and Cheese Pairing: Cheers to California! September is California wine month. Sample a different selection of outstanding California wines paired with delicious cheeses. Different wineries featured each week. Complimentary.

Saturday, September 23 & Sunday, September 24, 12–4pm: Tomato Fest Weekend Tasting. Tomato season is still in full swing! Stop by the Solutions Counter and taste several varieties of tomatoes or try a sample of popular tomato recipes that are easy to create at home. Free.

New Seasons Market Evergreen is located at 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd, San Jose. 408-513-8200.





the Screen Shop

Windows · Screens · Patio Glass Doors

- Offering Milgard Vinyl Replacement Windows
- Many sizes and styles of window screens and screen doors
- Friendly customer service
- Professional installation
- Competitive pricing
- 100% customer satisfaction

Since 1945 – the Salamida Family Business 601 Hamline Street, San Jose, CA 95110 www.thescreenshop.com • 408-295-7384

YOU'RE INVITED TO



THE POINT CHURCH • September 24 • 10:30 AM

- ★ Biggest day in our church's 110 year history
- ★ The start of a new day to be a church that is all about people
- 👚 Special Guests Mayor Sam Licardo & others
- ★ Huge Jump Castle & Prizes for Kids
- ★ Monster Nacho Bar & FREE food
- ★ FREE cool commemorative T-Shirt you have to be there to get it
- ★ and a lot more on ReLaunch Sunday!





Visit us at: www.Caspianvillage.com





Times OpEd



CITY COUNCIL SIGNS OFF ON 3 VILLAGES

City of San Jose can't figure out where to place 'tiny homes'

be welcome?

The San Jose City Council has approved three "villages" each with 25 "tiny homes" for the homeless, but doesn't know where to place them.

The approval vote was 9-2, with Councilmembers Don Rocha and Johnny Khamis casting dissenting votes. Both wanted the "villages" placed on private instead of city-owned land.

Each cottage would be approximately 70 square feet, according to the proposal, and each site would house about 25 of them. All the villages would come with hired security and case managers and cost \$1.4 million on the high end, according to housing staff. The City currently spends more than \$2 million a year cleaning up homeless camps.

The City Council is reaching out to Santa Clara County, the Santa Clara Valley Water District and other local government agencies to help find land for the tiny homes. They set a twomonth deadline to find new locations and draft an improved outreach plan.

The council was supposed to go into this week's meeting with at least one site suggestion from each of the city's 10 council districts, but only councilmembers

Tiny Homes: Where will they | Khamis and Chappie Jones offered sites.

Residents cited fears during testimony about the criminality of the unsheltered and how tiny homes would devalue their properties. Many said they want to help the homeless, but not if it affects property values.

The top five states where going tiny is a bit easier than the rest are California, Oregon, Texas, North Carolina and Florida, according to EcoBuilding Pulse.

Each cottage would be approximately 70 square feet, according to the proposal, and each site would house about 25 of them. All the villages would come with hired security and case managers and cost \$1.4 million on the high end, according to housing staff.





JOIN COUNCILWOMAN **SYLVIA ARENAS**

FOR A FREE EVENT:

FALL FAMILY

DAY IN THE PARK

Saturday, October 7th, 2017 10AM - 3PM

Lake Cunningham Regional Park

2305 S. White Road, San Jose CA 95148





FOOD TRUCKS



FAMILY AND CULTURAL ENTERTAINMENT



CARNIVAL GAMES



RESOURCE FAIR



PUMPKIN PATCH



ROCK CLIMBING WALL











The Arcadia Companies





REPUBLIC

















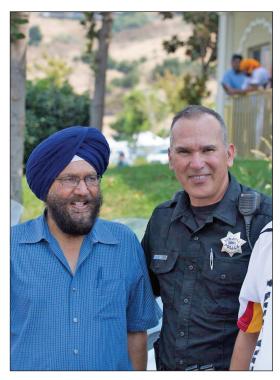














Sikhs give playground and parade to Evergreen community

By Kevin Larsen

Times staff writer

n the past two weeks, joyful events have been taking place at the Gurdwara on the hill.

There has been a playground dedication and a spectacular parade.

Many events happen at the Gurdwara on the Hill because Sikhs are devoted to caring for all people. They base their lives on their religion which is inclusive for all people of all races and cultures and in honoring both men and women with equality.

They love the Evergreen community so much that they created a beautiful idyllic public playground at the Gurdwara in which anyone of any faith or background can use this new facility any day of the year.

At last Sunday's parade, the Evergreen community was invited for complementary food and refreshments. Before both events began, the priests from the Gurdwara offered blessings in a special ceremony.

Councilwoman Arenas awards city accommodation

Hundreds of children sat earnestly before the podium inside the langer (kitchen area) with eyes transfixed on the San Jose City Councilmember Silvia Arenas, representing District 8. In a nurturing way, she expressed how very important playgrounds are for children because they foster building "wonderful friendships and caring for one another."

Being a keynote speaker for the dedication of the playground on August 3, she also stated that playgrounds are places for children to "imagine" such things as playing the role of a hero or princess or other positions of power.

"I want to thank the Gurdwara for making me feel so at home here...I feel so honored to be here...my kids are with me and this is a place where children can play...maybe the children will meet here 20 years from now and they will wed here at the Gurdwara," stated District 8 Councilwoman Silvia Arenas.

A very special accommodation" from the city was bestowed by Arenas to the Gurdwara. The ribbon cutting ceremony was done by the councilmember and the highly regarded Mrs. Rekhi and family who graciously give their time and devotion to the Gurdwara.

Little scholars listen in to General Secretary Bob Dhillon

In addressing the children, General Secretary of the Gurdwara, Bob Dillion stated, "Nothing would have happened if not for your parents helping." Dhillon reviewed all the planning that went into the project and addressed the children earnestly while educating them that all people work together to achieve such accomplishments. Dhillon also stated that funding is gathered by many to make it all happen. He reviewed the costs of the equipment and stated that fundraising is still going on to enhance the playground. The children looked on as little scholars with bright eyes and earnest chins held high while studiously taking in the information. Hundreds gathered behind the children and formed a deep semicircle wall of people which made the speakers the focal point of the event. Dhillon eloquently spoke to both child and adult with equality in his tone and words. He addressed the little ones as big leaders of the future and this was deemed to very refreshing by all. It was as if he was letting the children all know that to have great fun takes strong planning in your lives and the playground is such an example of this.

Continued on next page









Photos by Gaganpreet Singh

Xylophones and drums

Philosopher Plato stated, that "music gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and charm and gaiety to life and everything."

As you enter the playground you will hear sweet sounds of children playing large vertically mounted percussion xylophones and drums which are carefully installed to last the ages. Surjit Bains (event coordinator) stated, "We wanted something different than other playgrounds to give children more joy!" Truly one feels jubilation in not only seeing the children playing while getting exercise but also in hearing their musical creations as they pick up the indestructible play sticks and play away. Smiles abound when the children harness their own power to create personal musical compositions for all to hear. The little ones find out all on their own that patterns of sound create songs.

The Gurdwara playground has some of the best children's rides

The playground was designed by an outside firm that specializes in quality installation and design. All items are of the very highest quality that could be ordered to honor the children. The grounds of the playground are cozy and contain swings and many unique rides for children to explore.

The giant spinning merry-go-round is a twirling, kid powered rotor ride which is fun to witness for many may remember it in their own childhood. This ride allows for ten or more children to hop on while others push the top round and round to

initiate the scientific law that builds centrifugal force. Who needs electricity when you have lots of kid power combined with the gleeful screams of joy and wonder by both those doing the spinning and those on for the ride; they will prefer this playground to watching TV.

Later, while watching the children independently play outside, Gurdwara Spokesperson Jasvir "Jessy" Singh Powar stated, "these bright colors (referring to the structures) and seeing the kids on the swings and slides is so beautiful for there is so much going on in the world today...It is so nice to see the kids being happy without the stress of society."

Harbir K. Bhatia (City of Santa Clara Cultural Commissioner and Civic Entrepreneur), stated, "In the spirit of the "Siki" (word for Sikhism) the playground creates opportunity for everyone to come together and get value from an open space... to celebrate, to be healthy, to play and to build community. The playground is a core value to all of us."

As the last day of August passed, the strong sturdy colorful and fun playground was in use again for hundreds of children at the 2nd annual parade held for all the community at the Gurdwara.

Flying airplane with banner welcomes all to join the parade

For four hours, flying strong high above with the blue sky as a background was a beautiful white, red striped Cessna airplane that pulled a banner which stated "SIKH MARCH FOR WORLD PEACE." People loved it and it was preplanned by

the parade committee of the Gurdwara to remind all in Evergreen that the parade was about to start and everyone was welcome to drive or walk to the Gurdwara on the hill for camaraderie and conversation.

Holy Book illuminates the path

The Sikh Gurdwara parade was held to honor the Holy Book referred to as the Garanth. All such events and projects at the Gurdwara are shaped and created with expert teamwork and leadership. The Garanth (Holy Book) helps all to stay on track and is their golden path as to how to live their lives. The parade is an annual event of great respect to honor their Holy Book for the words written are not unlike poetry in how they create a power that acts as a rudder in steering the lives of all in directions of deep meaning and tranquility. Also, as one visits the Gurdwara which is open 365 days of the year, the words of the Garanth are softly heard on a speaker system, spoken, chanted or sung, thus illuminating the path forward in honored ways.

Orchestrated teamwork secret to success

Teams are created to arrange events at the Gurdwara which are composed of both men and women equally. As an event rolls forward the Sikh members as well as volunteers all come together to help. Often other churches are helping in tangent with projects too, such as assisting the needy.

The parade float was carefully crafted with lots of leadership by many chiefs who all worked together seamlessly. The creative juices flow as the work transpires as is seen in the float's many little touches of design and beauty. Often breakthrough

ideas are incorporated in a nonchalant fashion by those who refuse to take credit for their inkling of joyful, wonderful, positive suggestions; such as the twinkling, shimmering, flickering streamers that dangled gracefully below the float to allow it to seamlessly touch the ground while moving.

The culmination of getting things done can run late into the evening before the event is ignited the next day. Throughout the process a soft spoken way of not overly complementing anyone is experienced for all gain the accolades in the achievement of the goal itself. This is an example of humbleness Sikhs bestow also teaches onlookers who can learn the style of respect shown by all. Perhaps these same skills are seen in our Silicon Valley start-up companies which are successful in multidimensional ways that are often result in geometric levels of breakthroughs. The Sikhs are not the only religious group that hold these attributes of working well as a TEAM and like all groups wherever there is dynamic beauty of implementation of ideas, there can be friction from time to time. They get results with strong teamwork and caring for one another.

Outstanding complementary food and refreshments create family fun environment

As one entered the grounds of the Gurdwara an ice cream cone was extended to all along with a kind smile. Children were in heaven. The parade started at noon with lots of water stations as it moved See PARADE, page 21



CAMPBELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1675 Winchester Boulevard (near Hamilton), Campbell, 95008. Church Office: 378-3472. www.campbell-umc.org. E-mail us

campbell_umc@earthlink.net. SUNDAY WOR-SHIP: 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Handicapped, hearing-impaired friendly facility. (Nursery Care available). SUNDAY SCHOOL for every age at 9:00 a.m. WHAT YOU WILL FIND: Youth/Young Adult programs. Choirs for all ages. Active Senior Fellowship, a dynamic and diverse congregation of seekers motivat-

ed to explore the questions of faith and life: opportunities for fellowship, study, spiritual growth and outreach. Campbell UMC is a Reconciling Congregation ~ ALL ARE WELCOME! Campbell UMC sponsors Bright Days preschool. offering a play-based, developmentally appropriate curriculum. Call 378-8422 for information.

CONGREGATIONAL **CHURCH OF ALMADEN**

VALLEY, UCC 6581 Camden Ave., San Jose, CA 95120. Pastor, Rev. Marty Williams, 408 268 0243. www.ccavucc.org. We are a welcoming church with a progressive approach to faith, worship and giving to our local community. We are proud to be UCC. Open and Affirming (0&A) and welcome members of the LGBT community. We support local LifeMoves (formerly InnVision) Shelter Feedings once a month, San Francisco Night Ministry, Second Harvest Food Bank, Church World Service, and Communities Responding to End Poverty. Worship Sunday, 9:00 AM followed by fellowship and refreshments. 1st Sunday in Worship: Holy Communion 2nd Sunday in Worship: Folks Choir and Potluck Sunday. Tuesdays, AA Meetings, 8:15 - 9:15 PM.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Wednesdays, 9:30 AM,

Women's Study Group.

5351 Carter Ave., San Jose 95118 408.265.5837 www.bibleroad.org We strive to be a group of Christians that love and honor God and Jesus Christ in our daily lives. We assemble each Sunday to encourage each other through singing, studying, praying and sharing in the Lord's supper. Simple just like what one reads about in the New Testament. Bible class at 9:30 AM Worship at 10:30 AM Located in south San Jose near Kooser Rd. and Camden Ave. (behind the Almaden Valley Athletic Club). Come make new Christian friends!

EAST VALLEY CHURCH We are a Multicultural

Christian Community committed to making Christ known to our Neighbors, Community and World. Sunday Schedule: Coffee and Conversation 9:15am Worship 9:45am, Sunday School for all ages 11:15am Childcare is provided for all our Sunday Services. Our NEW Children's Building is Open! Uplifting music, Biblical teaching, ministries for Children, Youth, College & Career, Small Groups for all adults, Ministries to Men, Women, Seniors, Celebrate Recovery (Please see website for details and meeting times www.eastvallevchurch.c om) VBS: June 13th - 17th (5:45-8:30pm) & Sports Camp: July 18th -22nd (9am -12:30pm) For more details or to register please visit our website Senior Pastor - Pastor

Ron Johnson,

Community-Life Pastor -

Pastor Patrick Boyd,

Directors - Alvssa

Friend and Kristen

Pearson

om

wide.org

Children's Ministry Co-

We are located at 2827

Flint Ave (Between Tully

& Norwood) San Jose,

CA 95148. Phone 408-

info@eastvallevchurch.c

We are associated with

Converge Worldwide

www.convergeworld-

CHURCH IN ALMADEN

6581 Camden Ave. San

Jose, CA 95120. The

Phone: 408-268-0243

Web:www.eca-si.org

At the Episcopal Church

in Almaden (ECA), we

are joyful followers of

Jesus Christ. Through

worship, study, fellow-

Rev. Shelley Booth

Denney, Rector

THE EPISCOPAL

238-0231, e-mail

Domingo 4pm. **FIRST CHURCH DOWNTOWN**

Worshipping at 55 N. 7th Street, in downtown San Jose. (Horace Mann school) firstchurchdowntown.co

Telephone: (408) 294-7254 x310. We are a community serving the Christ from the heart of the City, working to know Jesus and make Jesus known by serving, worshipping, and learning together. Worship services are at 10:00 AM at the Horace Mann Community Center (7th and Santa Clara Streets) Worship includes both contemporary and traditional music, a message that is relevant to real life, based in the Bible. and meaningful to people of all ages and backgrounds. We work in our community to provide real assistance and long-term, life-saving

solutions: food, housing, counseling, and spiritual direction. Our children's & families' ministries include Sunday classes, outdoor family activities such as bike rides and fishing trips. Come, Make a Difference and feel the difference God can make in your life!

ship and outreach, we

grow a strong faith com-

family of all ages, where

each member feels wel-

comed, loved, valued

and empowered to

serve. Children are

especially welcomed

and cherished as an

family. All junior high

important part of God's

and senior high students

are welcome to partici-

pate in our Youth

Groups. During the

school year we have

our sister church, the

Congregational Church

of Almaden Valley, UCC.

The Episcopal Church in

Almaden offers the fol-

lowing regular opportu-

Sunday at 7:30AM and 10:45AM, Holy

Each Sunday service is

hour for friendship and

Communion service.

followed by a coffee

EVERGREEN VALLEY

Visit our Web Site at

2750 Yerba Buena Rd.

San Jose, CA 95121.

Phone: 408-274-7422.

pm. Sunday worship

Saturday worship is at 5

services at 9 am and 11

am.. Excellent contempo-

rary Christian music and

Children's Sunday School

programs at 9 am and 11

am. Junior High students

School students meet at

11am. Nuevo Comienzo:

Servicio en espanol

meet at 9am and High

Bible-based teaching.

Nursery care and

wwww.evcsj.com

conversation

CHURCH

nities for worship:

joint Sunday School with

strive to nurture and

munity of believers, a

GRACE CHURCH OF

EVERGREEN www.GraceChurchSJ.Net See you on Facebook 2650 ABORN ROAD at Kettmann, across from Evergreen Public Library. Serving Evergreen for over 50 Years. John S Goldstein, Pastor Christian Worship every Sunday at 11.00 am Together let us build lives toward excellence! Music Institute (408)791 7772 Àfter School lessons on Piano, Violin, Viola, Flute PreSchool Age 2-6 years caring for your child with God's love and affection (408) 791 7772 Immigration Services Call for Appointment

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

(510)584 1824

Faith.Knowledge.Commu nity - this is our promise to our members. If you are looking for an active Christian faith community, we invite you to experience Holy Spirit Parish Community. All are welcome! We are located at 1200 Redmond Avenue, San Jose, CA 95120. Mass is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. Monday - Friday

Our weekend Mass schedule is Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Rite of Reconciliation is every Saturday at 4 p.m. or by appointment. Our Parish Office is open Monday -Thursday 8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Call 408-997-5100 for recorded information or 408-997-5101 to speak with someone in our parish office. Information on Faith Formation for children and adults can be obtained by calling our Catechetical Office at 408-997-5115. Get in the loop with our 3sixty High School Youth Ministry by calling 408-997-5106. Holy Spirit School serves grades Pre-K through 8th, and is located at 1198 Redmond Avenue. You

THE POINT CHURCH www.ThePoint.Church 3695 Rose Terrasse Circle, San Jose CA

can reach the school

office at 408-268-0794

95148. Located at the top of Aborn Rd and Murillo Ave. Come be inspired and build your faith as we worship together this Sunday @ 10:30 AM. KidsPoint is our children's ministry, serving infants through 5th grade. It is a fun and safe experience for kids as they grow in their walk with God. ONE is our student ministry, serving 6th through 12th grades. We help lead students into a growing relationship with Jesus through conversations, fun and service

Because of the diversity of Evergreen we offer church services in 5 languages, each with their own auditorium and nastor.

. 10:30 AM English. Mandarin, Cantonese and Cambodian. Spanish at 1:00 PM.

SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

We invite you to become a part of our hospitable, intimate Catholic parish. We are a caring commu nity, promoting spiritual growth, reaching out to people in need and where you get to know people by name. We offer children's religious education (CREATE); Youth Ministry (BLAST & X-STATIC); Scripture Study (day & evening); Senior's Group and many other adult ministries as well. Saint Anthony parish is located in Almaden Valley at 20101 McKean Road. San Jose, 95120. Our weekend Masses are at 4 p.m. on Saturday at our historic church at 21800 Bertram Road in New Almaden, CA 95042 and on Sunday at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. at the McKean Road location. Our Parish Office is open Monday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Tuesday thru Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m. For more information, stop by the Parish Office or call 1+ (408) 997-4800, or visit our website at www.churchstanthony.com. Fr. Larry Hendel, Pastor.

ST. BASIL THE GREAT **GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

6430 Bose Lane, San Jose, CA 95120 Church Office 408-268-3214 Clergy: Fr. Allan Boyd Experience our Lord Jesus Christ after the manner of the earliest Christians. All are welcome to our warm, multicultural Church community, where services are done primarily in English. What happens when you reunite created matter to its Creator? Come and see! Sunday worship: Orthros - 8:30 am

Divine Liturgy - 9:30 am We also celebrate Lituray on most feast days

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

5111 San Feline Rd. San Jose, CA 95135 408-223-1562. www.stfrancisofassisi.c

www.stfrancisofassisipreschool.org We invite you to join our community of faith located in the Evergreen area of San Jose. We are an inclusive diverse community striving to serve as Disciples of Jesus Christ in the footsteps of St. Francis. offering prayerful and joyful liturgies; evangelization, fellowship, and service opportunities to the community. We offer spiritual opportunities for all ages, including children's liturgy, dynamic E.C.H.O - Jr. High, IGNITE - High School and North Star -Young Adult Ministries, along with small faith communities and opportunities to help the poor and marginalized of San Jose. Our Preschool is

the only Catholic Preschool offering quality family oriented service in the Evergreen and Silver Creek areas. Our Chanel, Gathering Hall, Parish Office. Mission Center, Parish Gift Shop, Memorial Garden and Preschool are all located at 5111 San Felipe Rd. Please come join us to worship at one of the following times and

locations: St. Francis of Assisi Chapel Saturday 5:00PM, Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM 12:30 PM 4:00 PM (Mass in Vietnamese). 6:00 PM Youth Mass St. Francis of Assisi Gathering Hall Sunday 9:00 AM, Sunday11:00AM, Igbo Mass - Second Sunday of the month 12:30 PM Mt. Hamilton Grange 2840 Aborn Road Sunday 9:30 AM The Villages Gated Community (Cribari Auditorium) Sunday 8:15 AM For more information, please call or visit us at the Parish Mission Center open M-F 9:00 AM -12:00 PM; 1:00 PM

For Worship listing advertisements, call (408) 898-7534.

4:00 PM. Come join us

and share your presence

with us so that together

we may grow and share

our gifts to help build

God's Kingdom!





FREE Admission ~ All Proceeds Go To Charity

FREE Shuttle Service from Santa Clara Valley Water District and VTA parking lot at Winfield and Coleman Ave.

PLATINUM SPONSORS AND PARTNERS

















GOLD SPONSORS: Abbey Carpet and Floor • Amato Pizzeria • Ava Rejuvenation • Basis Independent - Silicon Valley Chiropractic First • Councilmember Johnny Khamis • Culligan Water • Epoch Times Media Group • Farm Fresh To You Golden State Bail Bonds • PremierOne Credit Union • Renewal by Andersen Bay Area • Surfside Kids Dental Sutter Health • Welk Resorts • Wyndham Vacation Ownership

SILVER SPONSORS: California Waste Solutions • Garden City Sanitation • Greenwaste • Mo's Breakfast + Burger Joint 0 & N • Oak & Rye • Opes Mortgage Advisors • Star One Credit Union

BRONZE SPONSORS: Almaden Valley Nursery • Blvd Coffee • Charlene Chavez Photography • M Magazine • Stand By Medical Services • Tutor Doctor

COPPER SPONSORS: Dynamic Wealth Strategies • First Street Insurance Agency • Mari Y

The Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival is supported, in part, by a Cultural Affairs grant from the City of San Jose















Nobody can live forever but the decisions we make live on

By Bob Gill

Special to the Times

he was the former Vice

Mayor of our San Jose,
held many other valiant

held many other valiant positions in politics and donated her time to good causes.

The Pat Dando I knew was the leader who acted as a "straight shooter," not worried about her political position but instead putting the importance of the issue or item in the forefront.

She would go straight, act straight, and speak straight to make a difference in our community. This is one of the key reasons why she is remembered so fondly today!

She never gave consideration to if a person was democrat or republican, instead she cared only about the issue itself.

That's why I wanted to give this message about leadership in this column today.

It is important for us to all follow in her footsteps and even though she is not physically here today, she is spiritually with us.

I worked with Mrs. Dando as a senior commissioner. Over the



Pat Dando

years I began to notice patterns in how she handled her communications and beliefs. Her ways were copied by earnest upcoming leaders. Here are just a few of her attributes:

*Listen: She would take time to hear and understand issues and not give importance to her but instead to the person she was speaking with.

*Research: When she came to speak on any issue she was extremely well prepared and did her homework.

*Follow-up: She didn't let go of the issue she worked on, she would follow and complete the process. She ensured all those she had on her staff worked diligently.

*Non Judgmental: She did not judge people whether they were

rich or poor, wealthy or houseless. Instead, she showed respect to all and made decisions with use of input to under-

stand what effect rulings would have on all people's lives.

* Never give up: She even worked after hours and sometimes Saturday and Sundays attending functions. She never backed up, once she made a decision... she stayed.

* Smile: She was always easy to talk with all people and everyone looked forward to speaking with her.

* Honesty: There was a time when the budget was low to work with and she still came up with the effort to get proper monies. She was very trustworthy. She was tough too and expected the best from all. Sometimes she would say the words "no, I cannot support that," and all found her honesty

refreshing.

Today, I see Mayor Sam Liccardo doing a good job however, I believe we should all get

> involved more by giving suggestions to him and his assistants so that they can better lead and help all. He has only so many hours of the day to work with and he has a big responsibility so we must offer support and suggestions. As Governor Brown once said to me regarding issues in our state. "Bob, if you don't

tell me, how I will know."

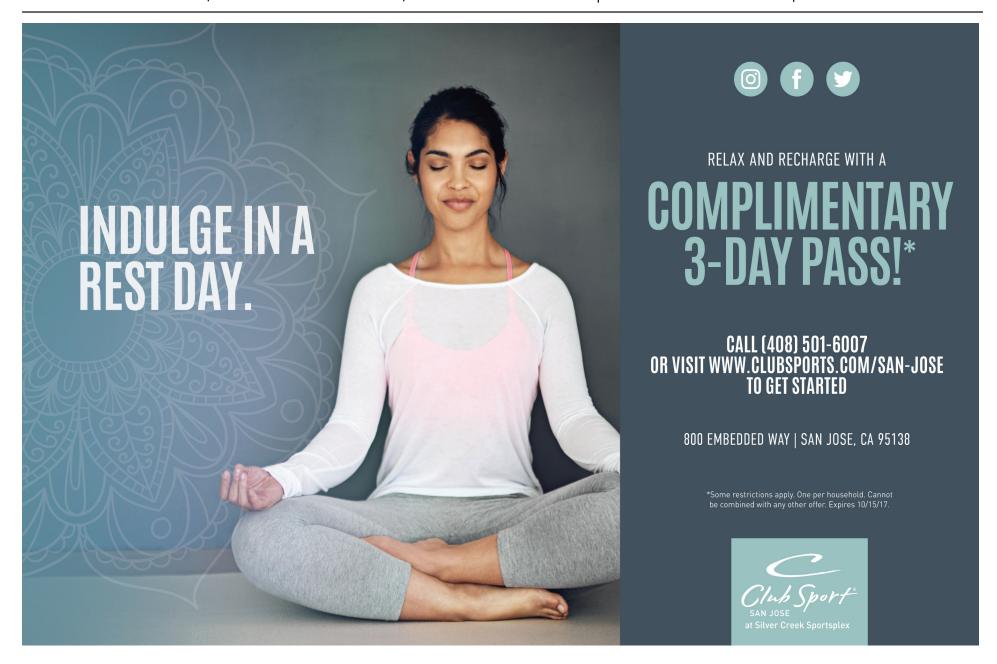
Dave Cortese is also a wonderful leader and his office deals with county issues. He is the president of the board. His father also was an excellent assembly member for our state, so politics is in the Cortese blood. He and his assistants also need to hear from you to shape our county. They need your input.

In many religions it is believed, it not what you do for you, it's what you do for others that counts. Mrs. Dando respected her spiritual and religious beliefs by doing things for others.

She always spoke about the importance of family in our lives. She will be remembered forever for the decisions she made in her life to help all.

I miss her a lot, she gave a strong hug to many and I still remember her strength and dedication working with all people from different backgrounds and nationalities in completion of decisions that today help our city, state and world.

Robert 'Bob' Gill is currently a Santa Clara County Behavior Health Board Member and Housing Commissioner, Art Commissioner, Former Disability Commissioner, Former Senior Board Commissioner and a humble servant of the Sikh Gurdwara, San Jose, California. Comments and suggestions are welcome; email me at bobgillcares@gmail.com.





Your Number One **Local News** Source. The Evergreen **Times** To advertise, call (408) 898-7534.







Building Community Through Fun

VIVA CALLESJ

DOWNTOWN AND EASTBOUND

EL CORAZÓN

September 17 | 10am - 3pm

Walk, bike, skate, play and explore the city like never before. Open Streets San José!

#VIVACALLESJ | VIVACALLESJ.ORG













Funding made possible by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention







Times Your Community



Great America Haunt's 10 Year Anniversary

here will be lots of scary treats, fog and frightening creatures again this year at Great America 10th anniversary of Halloween Haunt starting Friday, Sept. 22.

New for 2017 will be Backwoods, which leads guests to a deserted cabin through woods full of werewolves. Also, Chaos House will provide mystifying special effects that may leave you cowering in terror. All three scare zones are new: Feary Tales, Underworld Alley and Jester Town. And also featuring, Demon: Reignited!

Famed magician Ed Alonzo (of Saved by the Bell fame) will bring his cuttingedge humor to Psycho Circus of Magic and Mayhem each night and the live entertainment of Blood Drums, Nytewalkers and Sideshow all return.

Halloween Haunt's returning haunted mazes include many fan favorites: Zombie High, Wax Museum Chamber of Horrors, Roadkill Road House, Corn Stalkers, Madame Marie's Massacre Manor and Toy Factory.

Scares take place Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays beginning September 22 through October 29, and all guests 13 and older are invited to face their fears. Costumes are not allowed. Check CGA's website at cagreatamerica.com/haunt for hours and to purchase tickets. Haunt admission is free for 2017 and 2018 Gold

and Platinum Pass holders.

The Great Pumpkin Fest

For the younger set, on weekends September 30-October 29 (closed October 22 for a 49ers game); The Great Pumpkin Fest is included with the price of admission and takes over Planet Snoopy during daytime hours. The Great Pumpkin Fest features trick-or-treating with Snoopy and the PEANUTS Gang, pumpkin decorating, a hay maze and coloring.





Parade

Continued from page 15 from Gurdwara Avenue, down Aborn Road, along Ruby Road and then the uphill stretch back up Quimby to its home The Gurdwara on the hill. Thousands and thousands of followers and guests honored the Garanth by walking behind the float along the parade route. Complementary foods of the excellent quality were freshly prepared and served to all. Only the highest quality ingredients were used. Specialty large white tents allowed all to eat at tables in the shade.

Cool air flowed free due to the Gurdwara solar system

The interior buildings of the Gurdwara offered a cool retreat where many met throughout the day. The magnificent Gurdwara now owns the solar system that supplies 100 percent of the energy used on site thus meeting all energy needs. The entire roof of the Gurdwara is covered with state of the art solar collectors which are a testament to the vast think tank planning of the Sikh leaders who are both men and women. It is the only religious site in the U.S.A to provide 100 percent off the grid "green" power.

Thousands of visitors to the event showed Sikh pride with their smiles and admiration for the site. Such events celebrate healthy lives by reinforcing concepts of love, pride and comradery with hands reaching out to people of all races and religions to join to honor the human race! Now the children can do this on their very own enchanting playground.

The Gurdwara on the hill continues to amaze and nourish all the community by the act of giving. In speaking to one Sikh who was born in India and walked the parade route, he stated "for me the day was perfect."

Anytime they have an event one can be sure it is well planned and a joy to attend. The opening of the new playground for all and the 2nd annual parade were great successes. Roopie Atwal, proud member of the Gurdwara stated, "The San Jose Gurdwara wishes that children will build fond memories on this playground for years to come. We would further like to extend our welcome to residents of the Evergreen community to bring their children and enjoy the playground amenities and beautiful views at Gurdwara.

For more information on visiting the Gurdwara of San Jose visit this website: www.sanjosegurdwara.org



The Most Powerful Green Cleaning On the Planet



Complete Carpet Cleaning, Stone Polishing and Repair (408) 254-1949

Serving Almaden Valley since 1995



Evergreen Real Estate Directory



CAROL CAMILLI-MONTGOMERY



www.camillihomes.com carolcamilli@kw.com (408) 209-7809



STACY SEYMOUR



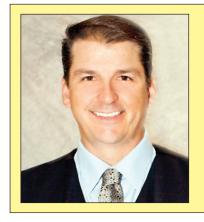
(408) 960-9416 www.stacyseymour.com stacy.seymour@cbnorcal.com



MEGHA JOSHI



2921 Villages Parkway, San Jose mjoshi@apr.com (408) 960-9933



KRAIG CONSTANTINO



kcreteam@gmail.com www.KraigsListings.com (408) 219-9122



DAVID & VICKI HARRIS

ALAIN PINEL

2921 Villages Parkway, San Jose (408) 754-1572

GET LISTED!

Call the Evergreen Times today:

408.483.5458

williamb@timesmediainc.com

Evergreen Areal Meetings

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: Village Square" library (For information, visit d8crt.org)

CaIRTA-Area V-Div. 70 Retired Teachers Organization. Meets bimonthly 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@sbcglobal.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 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-

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 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-

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 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-

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.



- We listen to our customers' needs
- · Provide service in a timely manner
- · State of the art diagnostic testing
- Install only factory or name brand parts
- Exceed original equipment specifications

We will keep your needs first!

Give us a call today to make an appointment for any repair or estimate you may need!

Email: cartruckclinic@sbcglobal.net Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am - 6pm Saturday - Sunday: Closed

2765 Story Rd. San Jose, CA 95127 (408) 926-6949



Press day: Sept. 27, 2017 Deadline: Sept. 25, 2017

Write to editorial@timesmediainc.com



Home Services

omlinson KITCHEN & BATH

408.316.499

Cabinets, Counters, Fixtures, Floors and More...

Visit our Showroom in the Almaden Oaks Plaza or our website www.tomlinsonconstruction.com

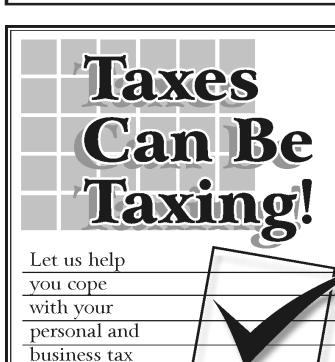
We offer Senior Discounts - American Made Products License #773431 Bonded & Insured

TimesClassifieds

Call now to place your ad by phone: (408) 898-7534

"Reach your friends and your community with your number one neighborhood news source - the Evergreen Times!"





- * Tax Planning and **Return Preparation**
- * Tax Audit Representation

situation.

- * New Business Assistance
- * Accounting and Bookkeeping

Individuals Corporations **Partnerships**

Pingrong Xue CPA, EA, MBA

(408) 644-6776 ping@prxcpa.com

Tree Service

Boyd's Tree Service - Since 1984

Michael W Boyd, Cell 408-391-2809 Fax 408-371-1083 Off. 408-371-5040 www.Boydstreeservice.com boydstree@yahoo.com

Tree trimming, Structurally pruning Tree removal, Stump grinding and landscape maintenance. Find us on Yelp.







859 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, CA 95123

Shoe Repair

PRICE REDUCTION \$1,090,000.00

Thinking a finding a luxury 1 story? Look no further. Gorgeous 2100 Sq. ft.,

Real Estate

2 bed 2.5 bath, huge den, giant kitchen w/ custom cabinets, views for days. 55+ Country Club, golf, tennis, security!

> **Patrick Adair Intero Real Estate** 408-206-2472

(DRE: 01100170) Watch the drone video:



8310 Chianti Ct. SJ, CA

No Shoe is Ever Too Old!

Hours:

Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm **Saturday**

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

2850 Quimby Rd. Suite 100 • 270-0850

Clocks for repair, we will come to you! Please give us a call today and we'll be happy to come out and take care of your "home's heartbeat. M&L Watch & Clock Repair Phone: (408) 270-6080

Clock Repair

Jewelry/Watch Repair

M & L Jewelers

Jewelers & Watch Repair Ring sizing - Watch bands Watch batteries - Engraving Stone replacement & More! Ask about our exclusive watch battery warranties!

(408) 270-6080

3218 S. White Rd. San Jose, CA Mon.-Fri. 10am-7pm, Sat. 10am-5pm

Repairs and Painting

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Handyman & Painting

- Dry Rot Wood Repairs
- Carpentry & Stucco
- Fence Repairs Sheet Rock & Texture
- Painting & Match Touch-ups
- 25 Years Experience



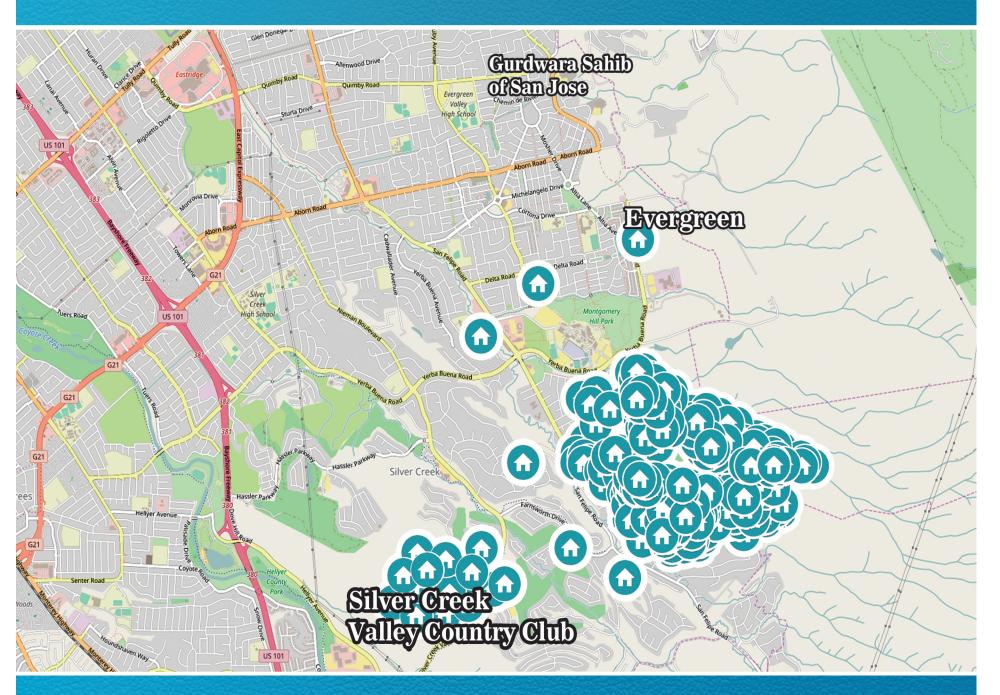
FREE ESTIMATES

408,646,8907

EQ1 EVERGREEN ESTATES

Servicing families of the Evergreen Community since 1992

Over 700 transactions!



Evergreen2901 The Villages Pkwy
San Jose, CA 95135



Downtown San Jose 1762 Technology Dr #106 San Jose, CA 95110

Experience counts. Call us today. 408-350-5070

www.EQ1RE.com