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Coach **Steve Nerverve** says that the team maintains a winning attitude. "They talk positively about each other's skills improving," he says. "We have great kids, great parents, a great atmosphere. The kids come back again and again and try their rear ends off."

Pioneer takes the ice

By **Lorraine Gabbert**
Senior Staff Writer

Ice hockey players fly across the ice, adrenaline pumping in their veins.

The puck slaps against their hockey sticks, passed from skater to skater. Then, the other team's defense shatters their hopes, stealing the puck and sending the forward crashing into the boards. Ice shavings fly off the bottom of skates as players spin around before racing off in the opposite direction. This is ice hockey, played by Pioneer High School's first ever varsity ice hockey team.

"This is exciting as the varsity high school leagues have traditionally existed of private schools only," says Head Coach Steve Nerverve. Pioneer is one of three public

schools in the Sharks Varsity High School Hockey League, which also includes: Los Gatos, Valley Christian, St. Francis, Willow Glen, Archbishop Mitty and Bellarmine College Preparatory.

Nerverve grew up playing soccer and baseball but fell in love with hockey. He played adult hockey for about 18 years and

coached his two sons' Sharks in-house league (made up of students whose high schools don't offer a team), as well as their baseball and soccer teams. "It's fun coaching," he says. "I love being with my kids and their friends."

His boys wanted him to make a team last year, but they didn't have enough players. After his older son graduated high school, his younger kept asking. "I thought it would be fun and great for hockey in the Bay Area to build a high school ice hockey team at Pioneer," he says. Nerverve credits Pioneer's new principal for the publicity that made putting a team together possible. "We played a game at the SAP Center and the school promoted it," he says.

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(L to R): Head Coach **Steve Nerverve**, Coach **Jeff Shiverdaker** and Assistant Coach **Alain Mowad** teach their players life skills as well as hockey skills.



Ben and Raj are proud to show their cars after the race day.

Pinewood Derby – The big race

By **Kevin Larsen**
Times Staff Writer

The Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran church recreation room served as the race track epicenter for this year's Pinewood Derby, on Saturday Jan 27.

All the Cub Scout Dens from the Pack converged to race hand made cars with only wheels that allowed them to move for the four hour event.

"To me, the fun part about this event is the fusion between art and science," stated, Cub Scout leader, parent, Jonathan Duval, who served as Master of Ceremonies for the event.

"On the one hand you can talk about the transfer of potential energy to kinetic energy and you can talk about wood-working, paint schemes, and crazy cool car themes. I love seeing the kids like creativity and I like to see things come from the heart and the mind and all be put out in the car." He also stated, "we had a hot dog on wheels, 2 Pokémon-based cars, a creepy high-speed coffin and even what

may have been our first corporate-inspired racer with the OSH car."

This was the yearly event of a lifetime, because it created memories for the children and the adults to build upon. That is the



All of the Pinewood Derby race cars are ready to race. Photos by Sarah Gordon

stuff of the Pinewood Derby, which is enthusiastically presented by all Packs and the earnest Cub Scouts and parents of Almaden Pack 281.

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Leland Bridge Night a great success with nearly 400 in attendance

By Tsechia Yu

Special to the Times

Leland Bridge Night 2018 once again enveloped the school campus with a night of great food and entertainment with nearly 400 people in attendance on Feb. 3.

The event brought a wonderful display of new talent and performances; from magic shows to tap dancing, the plethora of unique acts drew awe from the audience. Without a doubt, the night was a huge success.

This year, a wide variety of performers displayed their talents. Ping Hsieh's percussion group brought rhythmic music to the stage. Ellen Dong and Cindy Ke gave a Broadway-like rendition of *The Most Romantic Thing*. Mason Cai and Kailyn Xu performed a combination of traditional Chinese flute and dance, followed by Vincent Zhu's comical magic demonstration. Alyssa Huang showed off her impressive footwork in a tap-dance version of *Never Be Like You*.

Christine Baek, Calvin Hsiao, Yuka Shindo, and Eric Zhang came together for a four-person cover of *Love is an Open Door*, and Claire Chour, Teresa He, Bill Li, and Karen Lin presented traditional Chinese music using the culturally iconic Pipa instrument. In the second session, Troop 606 performed a comedy sketch, and dance group Illumin8 returned to the stage for another performance of group dance and synchronized light shows. Emily



Wu presented a spectacular contemporary dance set to the song *Young and Beautiful*, and Ellen Dong's group danced to a quick-paced k-pop piece named "It's Hollywood!"

To end the night, special guest Kay Wang took the stage. Ms. Wang was an established singer and songwriter in Taiwan during the 70s-80s. She brought songs that many in the audience can sing along with. Similar to many of the parents that the Leland Bridge community is comprised of, Ms. Wang also had an immigrant background, and needed to work hard to raise a family in a new world. Her amazing performance at LBN 2018 was symbolic of both a headstrong woman and a proud Chinese-American. Through her personal anecdotes about her struggles, she stressed that no one should be afraid to make mistakes, and that we should all appreciate the trust that others bestow upon us.

Leland Bridge Night 2018 would not have been possible without the help of numerous people. The president of the Leland Bridge Parents Group, Alice Chen, and the Leland Bridge planning committee worked tirelessly for both this event and all the other events that Leland Bridge takes part in. Student volunteers helped to serve the guests, clean the tables, and take care of the small things that make a difference. Meanwhile, parent volunteers stepped forward to manage the audio, lights, and other necessary set-up for the night.



Traditional dances and entertainment are highlights of the much-anticipated annual Bridge Night.

By working together, the bridge community grew even tighter.

At its inception, Leland Bridge Parents Group was simply a small group of people who were trying to demonstrate that the Chinese parent community could help the school. Today, it is a multi-department, well-structured Chinese-American parent group dedicated to benefitting the Leland community through fund raising, informational seminars, managing school activities, and more. Essentially, Leland Bridge symbolizes the "bridge" between the Chinese-American community and the school community.

Bridge Night's origin was similarly modest, with the straightforward goal of raising both funds and awareness for the Bridge community. It has since evolved into a beloved tradition; a highly-anticipated night of fun that both parents and students of Leland look forward to each and every year.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Gas tax spending is on the wrong track

Last year, Capitol Democrats pushed through a \$52 billion gas tax increase with the promise to repair crumbling roads to get people out of gridlock.

FACT: Instead of building roads, California is spending \$10.5 million in gas tax money to replace existing trains in San Diego.

FACT: Rather than building new traffic lanes, gas tax funds will go towards a project that REMOVES lanes from a busy street in Sacramento.

Despite big promises, it took less than nine months for Sacramento to start spending gas tax money on projects that won't fix our roads and get people out of traffic.

California deserves better.

Jim Stanley
State Assembly

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CODE ONE PROGRAMMING'S FAMILY CODE NIGHT

Providing exciting high quality education at no cost to encourage coding

By Thenu Senthil
Special to the Times

Code One Programming, after more than one year of teaching, continues to hold free STEM classes to students in the San Jose community.

A year ago Code One held "Family Code Night" at Leland High School for the first time, featuring Hour of Code puzzles, a nationally celebrated family event at which K-5 kids and their parents do their very first hour of computer coding. This event was started by the non-profit MVGate which has held Family Code Nights across the country.

"Family Code Night is a whole-school family event that dramatically ignites coding and computer science learning at any elementary school, and in any family. The program uniquely engages children K-5 and their parents or guardians in the delightful experience of doing their first hour of computer programming together, in an early evening special school program.

Family participation is a simple but profound innovation in this event – it changes the trajectory of a child's computer-science learning, and the family's appreciation and support for that learning. The result is a memorable school experience, a powerfully mobilized school com-



munity, and new family, social, and school momentum and direction to drive future computer science learning.

The CEO and Director of MVGate, John Pearce, met Code One Programming students at a previous event and helped them present Family Code Night at Leland. In this two hour long event, families are invited to sit down with a laptop and do puzzles from code.org. These puzzles are drag and drop puzzles and the goal in every puzzle is to get a character to move through a path (get from point A to point B, essentially) but every step has to be programmed. The kids went through the puzzles at their own paces. It was great to see they were having a fun time and blazing through them.

Quote from Anokhi Mehta, Grade 11, Code One Member from Leland High:

"I think Family Code Night is a great way to introduce fundamental of coding to young kids. It's really important for kids to start learning to code at an early age because coding is an essential tool in today's world and can be applied practically anywhere. The software that is used consists of block-based code, which is simple and easy for kids to understand. If they want to, they can even see the real code that they are writing with the blocks. Family Code Night was a reminder of the feeling of a similar excitement when I first learned to code. I feel that parents also played a vital role in helping their children to persevere through the puzzles and I love the whole idea of a parent and child working together to solve these coding puzzles."

Quote from Brian Hardell, Grade 10, Code One Member from Pioneer High:

I first joined Code One Programming, because it sounded like it would be a lot of fun and I found value in what they were doing, and through working with them I have discovered this to be completely true. Not only have I found myself enjoying at events, but I also feel that I am really making a difference. I also volunteer at Castillero Middle School as a Math tutor, and in a 2nd grade class-

room, but neither of these activities compare to the impact that I feel Code One Programming has. During the events that I've worked at, I have seen children engaged in a way that I never would have thought possible if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes. At our most recent Family Code Night hosted at Leland High School, I saw young children smiling and laughing, and having a great time learning to code, something that I think needs to be emphasized more. In the classes that I have taken during my schooling, I have discovered that the way in which a lot of people are exposed to computer science is incredibly boring and discouraging. Rather than conveying the fun, useful aspects of computer science, students are stuck completing useless projects under the excuse that it teaches fundamentals. However I have also taken classes outside of school that I found much more valuable that taught the fundamentals of Computer Science while at the same time showing how useful it is, but they were far from free. This is the gap that I see Code One Programming filling. We provide a high quality education at no cost in order to encourage students to pursue computer science and STEM."

After the event, parents came up to us asking if a Code One event could be held at their schools, which the student responded with "yes we can."

If you would like to hold a Family Code Night event at your school, please contact Code One Programming at codeonejava@gmail.com or visit: www.familycode-night.org.



2018 Almaden Valley Girls Softball
Registration is OPEN NOW!
AGES 4 to 14

Almaden Valley Girls Softball League registration is now open to GIRLS ages 4-14 wanting to play Spring Recreational Softball. AVGSL is a non-profit, 100% volunteer run league. The main goal of AVGSL is to ensure that the players are in a fun, positive environment while learning and expanding their softball skills. AVGSL promotes a sense of belonging for everyone. We emphasize teamwork and the sense of individual success that contributes to team sports.

Please visit our website at
WWW.AVGSL.ORG
to register.

If you have any questions please email us at registrar@avgsl.org

'Family Feud' holding auditions in San Francisco

One of television's most popular game shows, The Family Feud, is holding auditions on March 10-11.

Those wishing to participate can apply online for a scheduled audition. At least five family members, related by blood, marriage or legal adoption, are required for each audition, which can include photos and a video.

Since its premiere in 1976, Family Feud has remained one of television's most popular and enduring game shows.



Featuring two families who compete for cash and cars, contestants try to guess the most popular answers to questions posed to 100 people surveyed. As host, Steve Harvey engages competing family members in hilarious repartee, and his honest reactions to their responses have brought a fresh sense of comedy to the show.

Fans are invited to follow Family Feud on Twitter @FamilyFeud, on YouTube at youtube.com/familyfeud and on the web at http://www.familyfeud.com, where they can answer survey questions.

To learn more about the live auditions, visit: www.familyfeud.com/audition

If you are unable to make it to the live auditions, call the Family Feud Contestant Department Hotline: (323) 762-8467.

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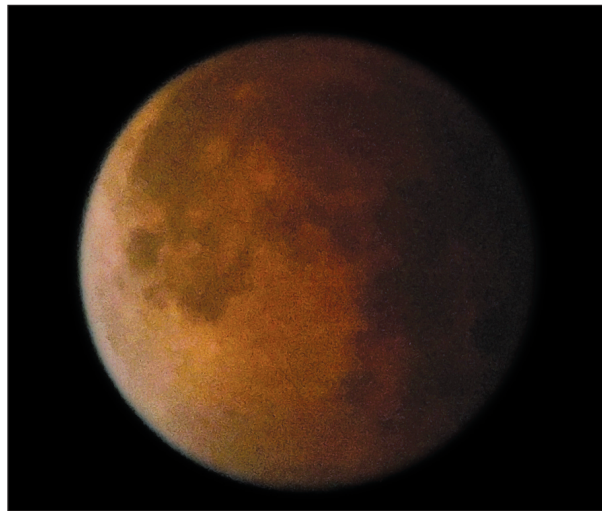


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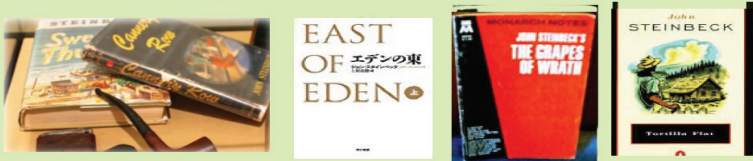


The Super Blood Moon eclipse is seen here as photographed in south San Jose on Jan. 31. The moon appeared to be red as it passed through the shadow of the Earth. The term “Blue” simply refers to any second full moon in a calendar month, not the hue.

The rare event was the first total lunar eclipse since 2015 and the first Blue Moon Blood Moon visible from the U.S. since 1866!

— Photo by Jeff Baham

National Steinbeck Center & Museum in Salinas Steinbeck House Restaurant & Gizdich Ranch



Tuesday, March 6, 2018

Start the day touring the interesting life and literary accomplishments of John Steinbeck the Nobel Prize Author of many award-winning books.

Enjoy a delicious lunch at the Steinbeck House Restaurant. Menu: Chicken, vegetables and drink (Vegetarian item available on request).

Arrive: 8:45 am
Depart: 9:00 am
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Cost: \$70.00 pp



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Sign up M, T, W, 9:30 am-11:30 am at the Almaden Community Center
Questions: Sally (408) 826-9619, Richard (408) 219-8641, Bea (408) 761-4002

Community meeting to discuss zoning for secondary units

A community meeting will be held to discuss proposals and to gather public comments on Zoning Code updates for Secondary Units (ADU) in the City of San Jose.

The ADU meeting is scheduled from 6.30-7.30 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2018, in Wing Rooms 119-120 at City Hall, 200 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss proposals to update Chapter 20.30 “Residential Zoning Districts,” Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code (Zoning Code) for Secondary Units (ADU), to include clarifying changes to lot size, setbacks, height, parking exemptions and definitions; and other related modifications to Title 20, to include paving and parking requirements.

The San Jose Planning Department states, “The public is welcome to attend this meeting and speak on this item. Your participation in the planning process will help us consider the community’s input.”

RSVP is not required but is helpful. To attend the meeting, email aparna.ankola@sanjoseca.gov

Council votes to remove statue of Christopher Columbus from City Hall

By William Bellou
Publisher

Following several hours of debate the San Jose City Council voted to remove a controversial Christopher Columbus statue standing in the City Hall lobby.

More than 60 residents voiced their opinions; some wanting the statue removed while others wanted it to stay. Many people from both sides cheered and booed while addressing the council members.

The statue, created by a student, was vandalized when someone poured red and black paint on it, and in 2001, a man smashed the statue’s face with a sledgehammer.

“No matter what, I think that we’re going to insult somebody,” said Almaden Councilman Johnny Khamis.

The Italian American community will have six weeks to find a location for the

statue — a symbol that has ignited a storm of controversy — or the city will place it into storage.

“It’s a complex issue,” said San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo. “People honor presidents who owned slaves. I’m not a fan of simply burying history.”

“Columbus was a very brave navigator,” said Tony Zerbo, who sits on the board of directors of the Italian American Heritage Foundation and wanted the statue to stay in City Hall. He acknowledged the controversy around Columbus but said his actions weren’t out of character for his time.



Local LDS Church leadership change announced

The San Jose California South Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints announced a new three-member Stake Presidency of **Matt Stepan, Steve Hayden** and **Justin Spencer** (pictured above) to oversee ecclesiastical and temporal stewardship for nine congregations in the southern region of San Jose.

There are approximately 3300 church members in the San Jose California South Stake. An LDS “stake” is an organizational unit of the Church (similar in size to a diocese in the Catholic Church), which comprises local congregations of Church members, known as “wards.”

LDS wards reside in San Jose communities, including the Almaden, Blossom Valley, Branham, Cambrian Park, Downtown, Japantown, Rose Garden, Santa Teresa and Willow Glen areas.

Each ward offers families and individuals a congenial atmosphere for faith-based instructional opportunities on a weekly basis to hear talks and presentations, learn self-improvement, and doctrine and scripture study centered on Jesus Christ

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Times Feature

Valentine's Day is just around the corner—are your plans set?

By Sean Eastwood
Times staff writer

Are you making plans for Valentine's Day, February 14? This year America's

sweethearts will spend an average of \$143.56 each on the occasion this year. Americans will spend on jewelry (\$4.7B), flowers (\$2B) and candy (\$1.8B).

Did you know that nine million marriage proposals are made each year on Valentine's Day?

The personal-finance website WalletHub today released its report on 2018's Best Places for Valentine's Day along with interesting stats about the holiday in its Valentine's Day Facts infographic.

To determine the most romantic yet affordable cities for celebrating the Day of Hearts, WalletHub compared 100 of the largest U.S. cities across 23 key metrics, rang-

ing from florists per capita to forecasted precipitation to cost of a three-course meal for two.

Top 20 Places for Celebrating Valentine's Day

- 1 San Francisco, CA
- 2 San Diego, CA
- 3 Las Vegas, NV
- 4 Orlando, FL
- 5 Chicago, IL
- 6 New York, NY
- 7 Portland, OR
- 8 Seattle, WA
- 9 Honolulu, HI

- 10 Los Angeles, CA
- 11 Austin, TX
- 12 Scottsdale, AZ
- 13 Denver, CO
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For a list of project summaries, visit: sanjose-ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/74201




Chinese New Year Carnival
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San Jose Chinese School Year of the Dog Celebration at Leland High School
6677 Camden Ave, San Jose CA 95120
Saturday, February 10, 2018 10am – 1pm

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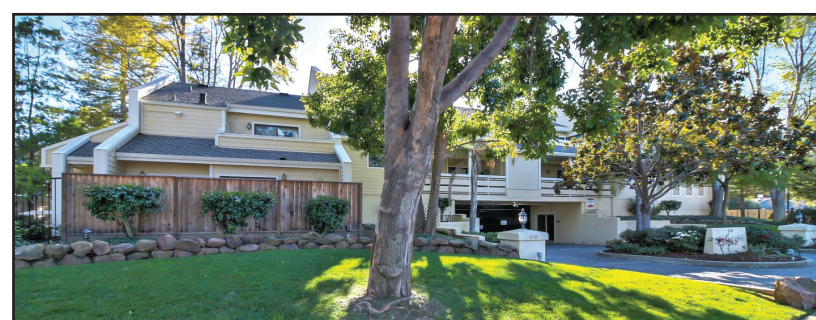
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“Now kids want to play. That’s kind of cool. I can’t commend him enough for supporting us.”

However, as happy as he is to have a team, Nerverve made sure to set realistic expectations. “I told them before the season started,” he says, “that as an expansion team it was going to be a tough year.” Travel players at high levels often attend private schools. “Are you sure you want to do this?” he asked. They wanted to go for it, and go for it they did, with all their hearts.

“There are 15 amazing kids, including seven seniors, on the team. We talk before and after every game,” he says. Although they tied once and lost every other game, Nerverve says they maintain a winning attitude, thanking him for coaching and promising to try harder. “They talk positively about each other’s skills improving,” he says. “We have great kids, great parents, a great atmosphere. The kids come back again and again and try their rear ends off.”

On Jan. 23, Pioneer faced off against Willow Glen at Sharks Ice. Pioneer hit the ice with explosive energy, keeping Willow Glen on its toes. Each team took turns scoring, culminating in a tie of 3 to 3 late into the second period before Willow Glen got the go-ahead goal.

Here’s a play-by-play glimpse of the action, the italicized portion provided by Coach Nerverve:

First Period: Riley takes the puck from behind the net in the defensive zone and drives up the right wing. He enters the offensive zone and shoots. Daniel drives to the net and is rewarded for what he does when he does not have the puck and being in position. Daniel gets the rebound and drives the puck home to tie the game up at 1-1 at the end of the First.

Second Period: Goal 2 with 15:39 left in the Second. Riley unassisted off the face-off (score 2-1). Riley loses the faceoff but hustles past the other center, gets the puck and scores. Willow Glen ties the game with 10:56 left in the second. They get another one at 10:30 of the Second just 26 seconds later. Pioneer down 2-3. Pioneer does not get discouraged or let down. They keep battling and are rewarded. With about 6 minutes left in the period, Willow Glen rushes out of the zone on the attack. At they enter the Pioneer zone, Ben N. steals the puck from the rushing forward and quickly dishes it to Riley. Riley sees Justin on his right, passes to Justin, and it’s off to the races. With a defender approaching, Justin makes a nice move and scores goal 3. It’s 3-3. Goal at Justin -Ben N. to Riley with 5:02 left.

Willow Glen came out strong in in the third period, playing their best players and yet Pioneer battled on. With 3:29 to go, the score was Willow Glen 7, Pioneer 4. It was tough going for Pioneer, but they played on, taking a shot on Willow Glen’s goal. Willow Glen stole the puck and scored again, making it 8 to 4. Pioneer fought back and with only seconds left on the clock, they scored! The final score was 8 to 5, but what a game. They left it all on the ice.

One obstacle the team faces is the lack of a practice facility. “The Sharks won’t



give us practice time,” he says. “Pioneer gave us a room for a while and we did dry-land training with the kids in their tennis shoes and me with a chalkboard. Valley and Bellarmine practice three times a week. Another difficulty is that travel hockey coaches aren’t supporting high

school leagues like we’d hoped,” he says. “We have kids on travel teams who miss our games because travel coaches won’t let them miss a practice. Yet with all that, we have super positive kids.”

A long-term goal of Nerverve’s is for high schools to fully recognize hockey as a



high school sport. “Kids who play baseball, football, volleyball and basketball are all supported by their schools,” he says, “but not hockey. I have kids on travel teams playing hockey four to six days a week, and they don’t get credit or kudos and it hurts their feelings. One reason is that it’s too expensive for the school and not what’s traditionally been done. Now that Pioneer is acknowledging it, although we’re self-funded and don’t get PE credit, the kids are getting a little school pride. Anything you can do to keep kids off video games or out of trouble is a bonus. They have fun and it’s important for kids to have a sense of belonging to their school.”

This year, Nerverve provided his team with polo shirts and jackets. “The NHL gave the Sharks \$100,000 to promote high school hockey,” he says. “Next year, they’ll get more money and hopefully make sure everyone’s promoting high school hockey with uniforms.” Nerverve hopes to start a Starship Fund, which would pay 25 percent of the fees for a child who wants to play but can’t afford to. “The sport is very expensive,” he says. “Skates alone are expensive.”

In addition to the ice hockey team, Nerverve is also one of three coaches for Pioneer’s varsity and junior varsity roller hockey teams, which play at Silver Creek Sportsplex. He, Jeff Shiverdaker, Alain Mowad and John Deauville coach ice hockey, while he, Joe Wetzel and Doug Marrone coach roller hockey for Pioneer. Seven students play on both the ice and roller hockey teams.

“A lot of ice hockey players look down on roller hockey,” he says, “but they complement each other.” He sees roller hockey as more self-oriented, with players developing good puck-handling skills from holding onto it longer. It also features faster rushing as with a smaller rink, players can quickly skate from one end to the other. “Ice hockey is more of a team and strategist game,” he says. “A kid playing roller hockey will take puck handling skills to ice hockey, which makes them better ice hockey players. I promote playing as a team in roller hockey, too, but there’s a time and a place for it. Roller hockey players learn ice hockey stops and can stop on roller skates like they’re on ice skates.”

Nerverve’s son, Ben, has played hockey for five years, starting with street hockey. He started playing roller hockey in 6th grade and ice hockey in 7th. Currently a high school sophomore, he still loves the game and the thrill of being out on the rink with his friends. Ben says that hockey taught him leadership skills and teamwork as well as making him more athletic. His advice to those considering playing the sport is to give it a try. “Hockey is an amazing sport,” he says.

Teammate Ben Shiverdaker agrees. About 10 years ago, he found his oldest brother’s skates in the garage and threw them on. “I wanted to be just like him,” he says. He skated in front of his house with a hockey stick in hand. His parents, seeing how much he enjoyed it, bought him gear and registered him at a local rink. After playing roller hockey for a time, he added ice hockey in 8th grade. He is now in 10th grade and believes hockey is the greatest sport on earth. “People are intimidated watching us skating on thin blades

Times **Local News****Toys "R" Us Almaden location to close**

Toys "R" Us filed plans to close up to 20 percent of its U.S. locations including its Almaden location on Blossom Hill Rd.

The problem facing Toys "R" Us is the increasing number of toy shopping online.

"There's something about not leaving the house with two kids and being able to read all the reviews," said Joyce Adams, a regular Almaden Valley toy shopper.

"I grew up shopping at this store."

Toys "R" Us once dominated toy sales in the U.S., but now it is operating under bankruptcy protection, filing for Chapter 11 under the weight of \$5 billion in debt.

The closures will begin later this month and most of the designated locations, which include Babies "R" Us stores, will go dark by mid-April. At some other loca-



Competitive pressures are forcing Toys R Us to shutter its Almaden store, a fixture to hundreds of shoppers for more than 30 years.

tions, Toys "R" Us and Babies" R" Us stores will be combined.

Chairman and CEO Dave Brandon said that tough decisions are required to save the company.



or wheels and think it's an aggressive sport for big kids," he says, "but it's really fun to play." He hopes more schoolmates will join the teams. "It's something I think everyone should be exposed to," he says.

Alain Mowad, Assistant Coach for Pioneer's ice hockey team, is delighted Pioneer finally has an ice hockey team. "It's great for the school and the league," he says. "We want to grow the team and add junior varsity. The kids are just happy to play for the school. This is a new team. Every day we see them getting better and better."

"First and foremost, I want the kids to have fun and want to play the sport again the following year," says Neverve. "Sports build confidence and teach life skills and make them better human beings. It's important to teach children to lose with dignity and respect, learn from failure and grow from it and also to win with respect and empathy. I want my players to learn and try to improve. I'd never yell at them for failing as long as they're trying."

Wetzel, who has coached Pioneer's roller hockey teams for 17 years, agrees. "Sports help children develop into who they are inside," he says. "They learn responsibility, how to play fair and how to work as a team. In roller hockey, we don't emphasize contact; it's a finesse

sport. You can't just knock guys off the puck. You have to learn how to get the puck away to get the goal you want. It's a good sport for people to learn coordination and a great avenue for young women. They excel at the sport because they are better with balance and more tactical. The girl on our team this year also plays ice hockey, has a positive attitude, high energy and mixes it up with the boys. She has a great time."

"It's about having fun and helping the kids get better," says Shiverdaker. "We've had adversity—we're an expansion team getting beat all the time—but the kids stay positive and that maturity is huge. I see older players helping younger ones. It's phenomenal. I enjoy the speed and finesse of ice hockey. It's amazing trying to skate forward, backwards and hit the puck in a direction while people are trying to bounce you off it. These kids are amazing."

For Neverve, coaching hockey is a win-win. "I enjoy it," he says. "I'm spending time with my son and helping kids become better human beings. They are great kids and I'm so proud of them."

To catch Pioneer High School's varsity ice hockey team in action, see their game schedule at: www.sharkshighschoolhockey.com/page/show/3583607-varsity-2017-2018-fall-winter.

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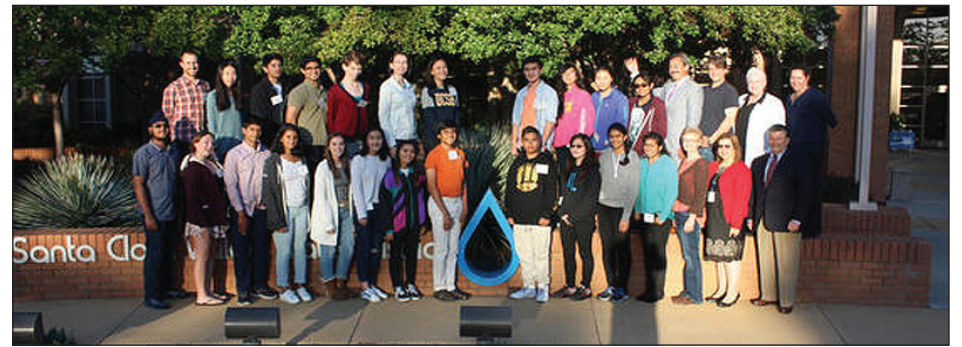
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Santa Clara Valley Water District recruiting high school students

The Santa Clara Valley Water District is seeking high school students to assist the board through its new board advisory Youth Commission.

The purpose of the new advisory commission is to assist the board with public policy, education, outreach, and all matters impacting the Santa Clara County youth and the water district; foster greater involvement of youth in local government to inspire and develop future public policy leaders and professionals with an awareness of issues and activities relating to water supply, conservation, flood protection, and stream stewardship.

The first meeting is anticipated to be held in mid-May after the board of directors has made all its appointments to the commission. The board of directors is currently accepting applications for Youth Commission members. Each board member will appoint three commissioners per district for a total of 21 youth commissioners.

The deadline to submit applications is Friday, Feb. 16, 2018.

For additional information email: youthcommission@valleywater.org. Applications are available online at: www.bit.ly/2nuvcda

MUSA to perform 'Smorgasbord Baroque' Feb. 17

By William Bellou
Publisher

The MUSA Chamber Ensemble will perform Smorgasbord Baroque at the Foothill Concert Series on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

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MUSA was founded to present historically informed performances of Baroque and Classical repertoire, as well as new music for period instruments, and showcases the talents of younger professionals based primarily in the Bay Area.

From trio sonatas to orchestral works, MUSA has presented programs on numerous concert series throughout the Bay Area. MUSA is a fiscal affiliate of the San Francisco Friends of Chamber Music.

Foothill Community Concert Series features a variety of music from bluegrass to classical, jazz to baroque. The family friendly concerts conveniently located for Evergreen Valley residents.

"Smorgasbord Baroque," will be presented on Saturday Feb 17th 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15. Children 12 and under are admitted free. Foothill Concert Series is presented at Foothill Community Presbyterian Church, 5301 McKee Rd, San Jose, CA 95127.



MUSA Chamber Ensemble
Photo by Matthew Washburn

Mackenzie Meyer named to McDaniel College Dean's List

Mackenzie Katherine Meyer of Almaden Valley has been named to the McDaniel College Fall 2017 Dean's List with Highest Honors.

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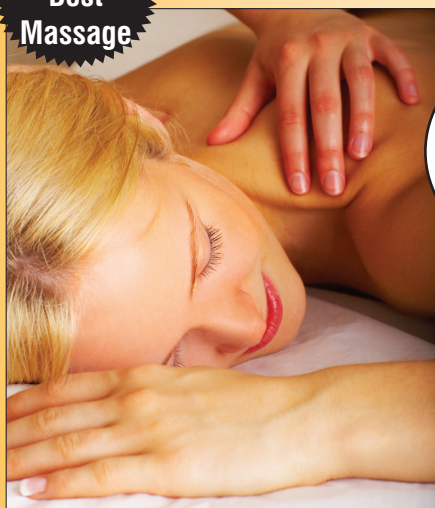
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Times **Feature****LEGAL ADVICE****Intestate succession: how does it work?**

By **Steven R. Roeser, Esq.**
Special to the Times

This week's question:

My uncle passed away last year and he never got around to putting a will together. What do we do with his property?

Mike G.
Almaden Valley

Dear Mike:

When a person passes away without a will, it is termed dying "intestate." The laws of the State of California allocate who is to inherit what from your uncle's estate. If one dies without any relatives, the great State of California can obtain all of the assets through the "escheat" process.

The following is an outline of how property is allocated under the California Probate Code if you die without a valid will and/or trust.

BASIC LAW OF INTESTATE SUCCESSION IN CALIFORNIA:

Intestate succession provides as follows under state statute:

1. The first question is whether the decedent (the person who died) was married.

If the decedent was not married, the estate is distributed as follows:

i. To the decedent's children, who take in equal shares if they are in the same generation.

ii. If there are no children or other issue (issue is the legal term for children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc.) living, the estate goes to the decedent's parents.

iii. If there are no parents living, the estate is distributed to the "issue of the parents." If the decedent had brothers or sisters, they will inherit the estate.

iv. If there are no brothers or sisters, the decedent's grandparents will inherit the estate.

v. If there are no grandparents, then the "issue of the grandparents" will inherit the estate. This could include the decedent's aunts and uncles, or if there are no aunts and uncles, the decedent's cousins.

vi. If there are no cousins, Probate Code section 6402 provides that the estate will be distributed to "next of kin in equal degree," generally meaning more distant cousins.

B. If the decedent was married, the first question is whether the decedent owned community property, separate property, or a combination of the two. Community property is generally defined as the assets acquired during marriage from earnings or salary. Separate property is generally defined as assets brought into the marriage when the decedent married, inheritances to the decedent, or gifts to the decedent.

(California case law provides many exceptions to these definitions, and assets can change from community to separate property, or from separate to community, by combining assets, by improving separate property with community property, or by written agreement of the spouses, for example.)

i. The decedent's community property goes to the surviving spouse, who may have to file a spousal property petition to establish ownership.

ii. The decedent's separate property is distributed as follows:

a. The surviving spouse receives all of the separate property if the decedent is not survived by issue, parents, brothers, sisters, or children of a deceased brother or sister.

b. The surviving spouse receives one-half of the separate property if the decedent had only one child, or issue of a deceased child.

c. The surviving spouse receives one-half of the separate property if the decedent left no issue, but left parent(s) or their issue.

d. The surviving spouse receives only one-third of the separate property if the decedent left more than one child.

e. The surviving spouse receives only one-third of the separate property if the decedent left one child and the issue of one or more deceased children.

f. The surviving spouse receives only one-third of the separate property if the decedent left the issue of two or more deceased children.

2. If no spouse or kin can be located, the estate is transferred, in whole, to the State of California for its own use.

Regardless of who gets the assets, the assets of a decedent that dies intestate must go through probate, which is a court supervised process of administration of the estate. Probate is expensive and time consuming, which is why many families prefer trusts to govern their estate planning affairs (with pour over wills as part of that plan to act as a safety net for the trust).

If you find yourself needing advice as to an estate planning matter, please feel free to contact me.

Until next time ...

Kindest Regards,
Steven R. Roeser, Esq.

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County provides many vital services

By Mike Wasserman
Special to the Times

Every day, Santa Clara County employees work hard to provide “Real Life Help” for our nearly two million residents.

Many of the County’s vital services go unnoticed and unseen. Here are a few highlights from the past 12 months that we accomplished on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors:

Adding housing. We approved funding for local housing developments that will benefit special needs seniors and the chronically homeless, funded by the 2016 \$950 million affordable housing bond (Measure A). The six projects in Cupertino, Gilroy, Morgan Hill and San Jose will add over 350 units to the housing supply.

Helping the homelessness. We worked with cities and providers to expand cold weather shelter services to add beds and ramp up warming centers for homeless individuals and families. More than 1,700 homeless were housed the previous year according to the 2016 Annual Report for the Community Plan to End Homelessness.

Transporting older adults. In September, we started a new door-to-door transportation program – R.Y.D.E (Reach Your Destination Easily) -- for adults ages 55 and older living in the West Valley Cities. Discounts of up to 90% off the standard fees are available for those who meet income qualifications. This pilot program is supported in partnership by Santa Clara County, VTA, the Saratoga Area Senior Coordinating Council (SASCC), West Valley Community Services (WVCS), and the five West Valley Cities: Los Gatos, Saratoga, Cupertino, Campbell, and Monte Sereno. More information: wvcommunityservices.org/ryde

Caring for our animals. In November, we announced that planning and funding has begun to replace our current antiquated animal shelter in San Martin with a modern Animal Services Center designed to be a welcoming destination for visitors focused on animal welfare, care and education. Learn more here: countypet.org.

Planning for parks. We launched a comprehensive update to the County Parks Department Strategic Plan to chart the course for the Parks Department’s next 20 years. The outcomes will support programs and provide facilities for the more than 2.5 million visitors enjoy Santa Clara County’s 29 parks each year.

Responding to disasters. In March, we responded to flooding, mudslides and road failures with support and resources to local agencies, jurisdictions and the community, including property tax relief for qualified homeowners. \$35 million in road repairs are ongoing in many areas and progress can be followed on the County Roads website: ccgov.org/sites/rda/RT/Pages/stormdamage.aspx

Opening the VMC medical center. In December, the Sobrato Pavilion at Valley Medical Center opened its doors. The

long-awaited six-story, 370,000-square-foot, 168 room state-of-the-art building, is named after Silicon Valley philanthropist John Sobrato, in appreciation of his generous \$5 million donation to the project.

Reforming jails and public safety. In January, we approved body worn cameras for 1,142 sheriff deputies and jail officers. The goal is to help restore trust and confidence in law enforcement. By using this technology, the public can be protected against officer misconduct, and officers can be protected from unfounded allegations. Jail reform efforts continue to be a priority with improvements to the public website sccgov.org/jailreforms, making it more user-friendly with a robust search capability, meeting schedules and searchable updates of more than 600 jail reform recommendations.

Increasing drone safety. In November, I co-sponsored a proposal to restrict private drone use during emergencies such as wildfires so as not to interfere with emergency aircraft; and also to prevent them from flying in airspace above correctional facilities to prevent the illegal transportation of drugs and contraband to inmates.

Preserving agriculture and the environment. Working with the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority, we launched the Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan in order to conserve the Santa Clara Valley’s farmland and ranchland as an innovative climate change mitigation and economic development strategy. In the past 20 years alone, Santa Clara County has lost 45 percent of its farmland, and much of the 27,000 acres remaining are at continued risk of conversion as a result of intense land development pressure. sccgov.org/sites/dpd/PlansOrdinances/Studies/Pages/CAPP.aspx

Celebrating local wine month. We declared September “Wine Month” in Santa Clara County, and celebrated the 3 year old Santa Clara Valley Wine Trail, a 28-mile loop showcasing more than 25 wineries throughout Morgan Hill, San Martin and Gilroy.

Accepting partial property tax payments. In October, we launched a new Partial Payment Program for property taxpayers, along with other new features including email notifications and announcements. The new program can provide significant relief to taxpayers who need the flexibility of making multiple partial payments prior to the deadline.

Adopting children. There were 157 children who were formally adopted by local families in Santa Clara County. The County’s Department of Family and Children’s Services manages foster care and adoption services to provide a stable and supportive home for children in need.

I wish each of you a healthy 2018 and I look forward to another productive year on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. As always, you can reach my office at (408) 299-5010, or you can email me at district1@bos.sccgov.org with your comments or concerns.



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 Mike Wasserman,
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Times Cover Story

Derby

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and Boy Scout tradition that spans the U.S.A. and beyond. It is one of the largest planned events that bring together families so that dads and moms can help young Cub Scouts create a car to run in the race.

Just outside on the warm day there were a few Cub Scouts sitting at a bench under the shade of the trees speaking about cars they entered. As one entered the hall, to the delight of the traditionalist, the spacious room was warmly inviting with walls neatly paneled in wood that stretched 20 feet to the ceiling.

Magnificent track

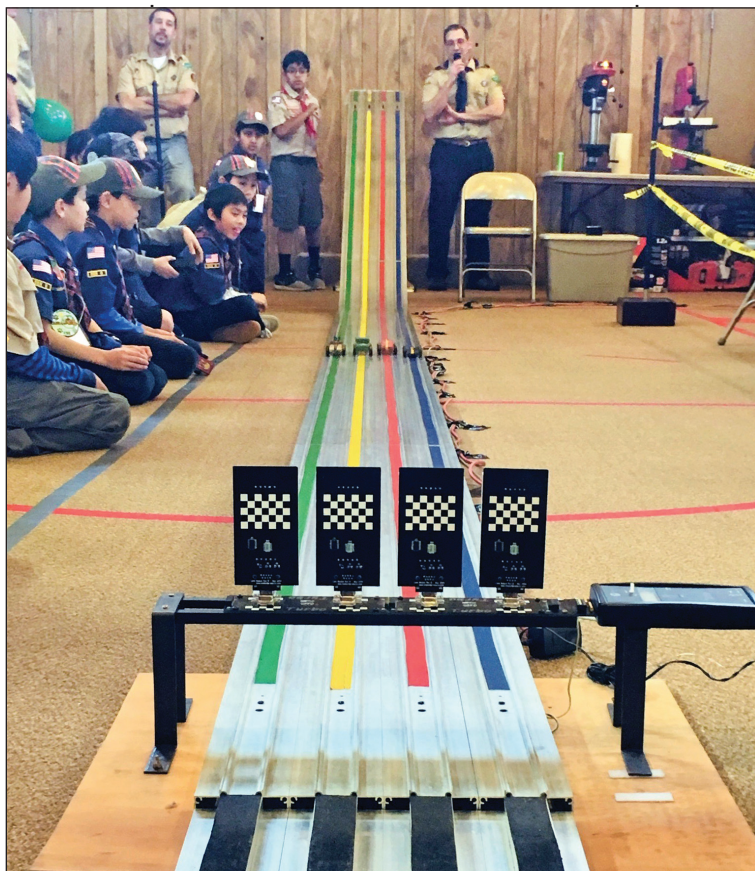
As one walked past the snack counter which offered all kinds of goodies, the majestic race track made of the finest aluminum and expertly set up days in advance, took center stage. It was iconic.

The car lanes were painted green yellow red and blue. Eighty chairs were neatly set in bleacher seat rows with forty balanced in symmetry on each side of the track. About one hundred people made up of mostly Cub Scouts and their dads who were engaged in working together with all the youngsters running about on their own throughout the day. It was clear that the adults encouraged the youthful lads to lead.

In addition to the mighty track there were also three other stages for the Cubs to choose to go to and run their cars on their own. The Flaming Leap of Death was a separate game in which the Cubs could run their car down a track and fly it through an ingeniously designed (by Cubmaster (Leader) Dan Gordon) hula hoop of fire (bright diodes) so the car would sail through the air and land on a pillow of foam. Of course there was also a target that the boys would try to land on too; similar to a hot wheels track.

"Craig helped ten years ago in creating the track and it is shared with other Cub packs today," stated one parent. Allan who ran the computer data (he along with another parent were in charge of instantly posting the photos of each car, the race results and the tabulation of results on a large public white screen) stated, "I did Pinewood Derby when I was a kid." There was a passing of the guard from man to man as he explained on this day he was turning over his job to a new dad since his son was moving upward in the Arrow of Light group to join the Boy Scouts.

Cars roll with gravity and are positioned behind a metal switch that all four cars fairly start down the track simultaneously. Graphite is applied to the wheels by an adult before race day. Careful rules limit weight so that where it is placed on the car (drilled and filled) make the difference along with design. Most rules specify a 5 oz. maximum weight. Most Pinewood Derby cars weigh between 1.5 oz and 3.5 oz (depending on design) without weights so a car may need 3.5 oz or more of additional weight. The photo electronic timer cap-



tured each winner of a race and scored the first, second, third and fourth place in milliseconds showing the results on the large screen within one second. "We have a data base for the last ten years that shows record of how fast the cars ran," said Allen.

A while back, there was a dad from Google named Russell who years ago helped in aggregating data on all previous car race times. There are four car lanes on the track and he compared the speeds in a comparative data analysis. It was explained that when the analytics were done all the scores for each of the lanes proved out that indeed, one lane was consistently faster so now each scout gets to run on each lane. This meant that heats (individual races) were comprised of four trials with cars using all lanes to honor explicit fairness.

"It's just Cub Scouts but some parents take it pretty seriously," said Alan. "Because we have a lot of dads who are engineers in the Pack, in the past years, we had a problem when dads take over the building of the cars, so we created a separate race called the Extreme Race. The Extreme Race is where dads can enter their own cars. We encourage Scouts to work independently." The Extreme Race has no weight restrictions so egregious amounts of weight can pull a car faster, anything goes!

It was explained that there are many different race entry events. One is called "Best Effort," and it was stated, "You can tell that the cars are Scout built because it's not always the nicest design or best paint job but it's from a Scout who you can tell is real proud of doing it himself." Other events include; Fastest Time, Slowest Finishing Car Overall, Backwards Go The Distance, Hit The Spot (after a push by contestant, the closest resting car to the designated spot on the playing field wins) and more.

Also, there were winners for themed categories in how each Scout designed their car such as: Fastest Looking, Funniest Car, Best Woodworking Skills, Best Car That Does Not Look Like A Car, Most Creative, Best Paint Job, Most Realistic, Most Edible Looking, Best Pop Culture, Most "Scouty," Least Wood Left On Car, Best Effort, and

Family Member Most Creative.

Gentlemen start your engines

"And down the stretch they go," was heard by the enthusiastic announcer. Each race was begun with an audio sound of a revved up car then the noise of drag racing then brakes screeching followed by more drag racing sounds as the cars flew down the metal track. Sometimes the sound effect of a police siren was heard randomly too during the races which lifted up the excitement factor even more for all.

When a car name was called along with the entrant, each boy took their turn to proudly walk their car up by themselves to the top of the track and then carefully set it behind the metal bar (switch) while they sat on the carpet (pit row) along the raceway to anxiously await the start of the race. Races are all done in "heats" meaning the cars are run against each other and each den (age group) would have it out against all boys their same age. One can

imagine the fun competition as each year the Pinewood Derby returns so that rivals can go against each other just as they do at the Indy 500, all with dad's help.

As the cars flew down the track their times would be caught to the 10,000th of the second and speeds of 190 miles per hour would flash on the screen.

Mechanical Failure

Sometimes a race would end with a damaged winner's car due most often to a loose wheel (Sound effect of siren would play for a moment). In that situation the announcer would state over the microphone that there was a break in the action while the mechanics worked over the car to get it back in the race (dad and son). Then once again four cars would line up and the announcer would state, "On your mark, get set, we're RACING!" On that cue a Cub Scout would be designated to pull the trip handle to release all the cars at the exact same time and down the track they went!

Car Race Names

The following names were given to some of the cars; San Jose Hillbilly, Raptor, Fantastic, Shiny, My Sister's Car, U.S. Flag, Pika-Pika Uppercut, 2 Fast 4 U, Box of Lizards, The Tank, Red Speedster, Cheese Please, What Is This, Car, Slow Poke, The Winning Tortoise, Bumblebee, Tough Duty,

OSH 1, Speed Out, Checkmate, and Star.

Some Race Categories

The following were some categories that boys entered; Best Effort, Best Show, Slowest Car, and Sibling Race.

Extreme Race

The rules of the Extreme Race are: "There are no rules." Sure enough, one dad rigged a motor onto the bottom of his ride and with toggle switch in hand he depressed the lever to try to peel out ahead of all the others. Often Extreme Race cars disobey the weight restrictions for a sanctioned race and anything goes. It can be a case of Dad Vs Dad.

Mom says it all

The whole family helps out at the Pinewood Derby. There are also races held to allow girls to race called "Sibling Race." One mom stated, "I wish more kids took Cub Scouts because they learn so many great values."

OSH donates drill press

Parent Duval stated, "Speaking of OSH, they were such an incredible help during the build day, and even donated machines to the pack. They are amazing partners in our community. I'm totally blown away by their acts of generosity, which really demonstrate the selfless, volunteer-spirit of scouting."

It was announced that Orchard Supply donated three large pieces of equipment to help the Cub Scouts design and build on their own. In a heartfelt sales pitch the announcer reminded all in attendance, "Now remember folks if you need to make repairs; it's OSH, conveniently located on Blossom Hill Road." This good natured banter filled the day with joy and fun.

Event draws to a close

As the event came to a finish it was seen that the parents did well in their well-orchestrated jobs of Master of Ceremonies, Head Mechanic, Car Lubrication, Event Set Up, Registration, Check In Coordinator, Judging Chair, Games Coordinator and more.

Cubmaster Gordon stated, "The awards ceremony is at our Pack's Blue and Gold dinner banquet which celebrates the birth of scouting. This year for us that is this Sunday. The Pinewood Derby (PWD) awards include trophies, medals, and ribbons, which are given out during a presentation during the banquet."

During the cleanup time one of the Cub Scouts named Christopher stated enthusiastically, "The Derby encourages scouts and is one of the biggest events in Cub Scouts. It's really fun to compete with other Scouts!" He encouraged everyone to join.



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Sodium (mg/l)	17 - 42	24 - 73	13 - 20

Almaden Valley residents receiving ground water rather than treatment plant water

For the past few weeks, Almaden Valley and the surrounding neighborhoods are currently receiving groundwater rather than water treated at Santa Clara Valley Water District's Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant.

San Jose Water purchases treated water and distributes it to customers in the region.

San Jose Water District sent a letter to customers:

Dear Valued Customer: In recent weeks, some San Jose Water customers in parts of San Jose and Campbell have noticed a change in their tap water. The reason is that much of Almaden Valley and the surrounding neighborhoods are currently receiving groundwater rather than water treated at Santa Clara Valley Water District's Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant. San Jose Water purchases this treated water and distributes it to customers in this region. In October 2017, the Santa Clara Valley Water District undertook extensive pipeline inspection and rehabilitation work to ensure the continued safety and reliability of your water. This inspection and emergency repair work required that the Almaden Valley Pipeline be temporarily removed from service. The Almaden Valley Pipeline is the pipeline that brings raw water, from local reservoirs or San Luis Reservoir—that body of water on the drive to Los Angeles or Los Banos from Gilroy over Pacheco Pass, to

the Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant. With the pipeline undergoing emergency repairs, the treatment plant is offline and will remain offline until the work is completed. Although the water district is taking measures to expedite these repairs, they expect the Almaden Valley Pipeline to be out of service until the end of March. While the treatment plant is offline, San Jose Water Company will continue to deliver groundwater to your neighborhood. Nearly half of the water used in Santa Clara County is groundwater. Groundwater, one of the county's greatest natural resources, is pumped by local water retailers, such as San Jose Water, and individual well owners to serve many beneficial uses, including municipal and household needs, as well as industrial, municipal and agricultural uses. Groundwater has different characteristics than water produced by a treatment plant. It has higher hardness, due to minerals like calcium, and can cause aesthetic issues such as spots on glassware. Water hardness does not affect the health or safety of your tap water, which continues to meet all federal and state regulatory standards. San Jose Water collects and analyzes drinking water samples every business day throughout its distribution system to ensure that the water served to its customers meets all drinking water standards.

Donation mechanism set up to support student meals

By Sean Eastwood
 Times staff writer

The San Jose Unified School District (SJUSD) has partnered with MySchoolBucks to provide an opportunity for tax-deductible donations toward student meals.

The partnership was secured after recent inquiries on ways the community could help support nutritious student meals.

SJUSD issued a statement, "We believe student nutrition is a key component of a well-rounded education. We constantly strive to meet the nutritional needs of our students while ensuring our schools promote a healthy and active learning environment."

The Student Nutrition team prepares

and serves more than 18,000 hot and cold meals every day across 40 school sites, from elementary to high school.

SJUSD encourages families to use the MySchoolBucks online system to pay for student meals. MySchoolBucks.com is a safe, simple, and secure way to make meal payments at no additional cost to families, and funds are available the same day they are deposited. MySchoolBucks is also available as a downloadable cell phone app.

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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.

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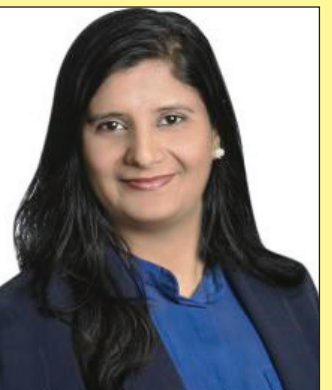


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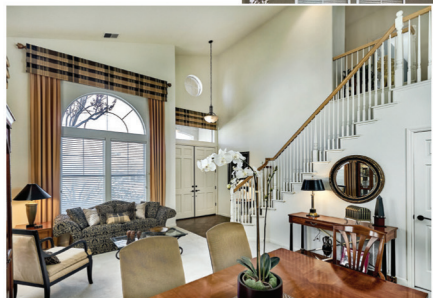


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