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# **Evergreen native son embarks on writing screenplay of a lifetime**

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> **By Zachary Hocker** Special to the Times

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**Zachary Hocker** 

abroad in Italy for several months and then spent varying amounts of time in different countries such as New Zealand, the Netherlands, Spain, China, India, Cuba, Japan, and the Philippines.

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MyLinh Chan, PTA president, works on the Laurelwood Elementary Student Science Garden; a parent volunteer works on the planter box.

# **Laurelwood Student Science Garden opens on Earth Day**

**By Frank Shortt** 

Times staff writer

The new Laurelwood Elementary Student Science Garden was completed recently on Earth Day, a long-time dream for students, staff and volunteers.

The project became a reality under the guidance of the present PTA president, MyLinh Chan, who says, "The garden actually began a few years back with the past PTA groups. This year, we were able to raise enough funds to help finish the garden. Having a garden was listed as one of the top priorities for our PTA team. Our student council had also expressed a desire for a school gar-

den club.'

Chan continues, "We were blessed to have many people reach out to help. From start to finish, this was a group effort. We had a ton of support from our local businesses and a lot of physical help from our students, families, and neighbors. I am proud to say that we were able to accomplish many weeks of work in a matter of days. Our biggest sponsor and donor for the garden was the Britt George Foundation."

Mehar Singh of Troop 251 recently dedicated science planter boxes to Laurelwood Elementary School as part of his Eagle Service project and is thankful to the school staff and his Scout mentors.

Others who have supported the project are: Santa Clara Valley Construction Inspections, Evergreen District Maintenance and Grounds Department, Foothill College Horticulture Department, Summers and Sons Electric Inc. Capitol Nursery, Payless Hardware Rockery and Nursery, Kelly Moore Paint, Grassi Inc., One Stop Lop, Eagle Scout Troop 251, Cub Scout Pack 280, Halcyon Overhead Door, Cleary Consultants Inc., the Zappacosta Family, Laurelwood PTA, the Ciechanowski Family, and the Nguyen Family.

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# Apoorva to compete with her team on NBC-TV Genius Junior: May 13

By William Bellou Publisher

Apoorva Panidapu of Evergreen Valley has advanced to the semifinals on the new Sunday evening NBC-TV hit show, Genius Junior.

The semifinals will be telecast on May 13, at 7 p.m. (Episode – 109: Big Problems, Bigger Brains). If Apoorva's team makes it to the finals, they will appear in the finals the same night at 8 p.m. May 13 (Episode 110: Hope for the Future).

Apoorva's team is called The Fast and the Curious, and she is joined by Treasure, a 9-year-old See GENIUS JUNIOR, page 8



**Apoorva Panidapu's** team is called The Fast and the Curious, and she is joined by **Treasure** (left), a 9-year-old from Jupiter, Florida; and **Sebastian** (center), a 12-year-old from New Hyde Park, New York.

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Mehar Singh of Eagle Scout Troop 251 dedicated planter boxes to the school.

#### Garden

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The work was accomplished by students, parents and other volunteers from outside the school. Three planters were built by Eagle Scout Troop 251, four planters were donated and built by Summers and Sons Electric, Inc. The landscaping design was accomplished by Foothill College Horticulture Department who also selected the plants along with Capitol Nursery and One Stop Lop.

Sixth graders painted the tires which were donated by 3M Auto Dismantlers. The vertical gardens were painted by the Kindergarten classes. The benches were built by Cub Scout Troop 280 and painted by Laurelwood students. Parents and students spent about two days digging holes and leveling the area to landscape.

It took 10 yards of planter mix, six

cubic yards of gravel, and 15 cubic yards of mulch which was wheel-barreled and leveled by students, parents, teachers, neighbors, Foothill College volunteers, as well as community volunteers. It was a great team effort and was accomplished in two and a half days.

MyLinh says, "This was a great way to bring the community together. Kids and adults were able to bond. Students showed a lot of school pride and were proud of how everything turned out. It was a great feeling to see the kids rush to the garden to help shovel and rake at recess, lunch, and after school. This was truly a Laurelwood family event. It shows that no matter how small a school we are, we are still one big family that sticks together."

Many in the community are congratulating Laurelwood for a great accomplishment. The garden is expected to last many years as a landmark of cooperation.



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# **Evergreen Valley High School musicians shine at Carnegie Hall**



At left: Mr. Barnhill and Ms. Erl stand outside of Carnegie Hall. At right: Zach Ozubko and Mr. Barnhill celebrate the well-received performance.

The Evergreen Valley High School (EVHS) Advanced String Orchestra and Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Steven A. Barnhill, wowed the audience at Carnegie Hall with a spectacular performance and received a standing ovation.

The EVHS Orchestra received the Music Festival's Gold Award in the adjudicated afternoon concert that included several other bands and orchestras for the fifth time, quite an honor for both students and EVHS.

Pictured above: the Wind Ensemble in Central Park. Left: Evergreen Valley High School's String Orchestra outside of Carnegie Hall.



## **OP ED: School District, Teachers Association unable to reach deal, face \$16M deficit**

Dear Evergreen community,

As you likely know, the Evergreen School District and Evergreen Teachers Association (ETA) bargaining teams have been engaged in protracted negotiations seeking to reach a contract agreement that supports our shared goal of serving the needs of our students, parents, staff, and the entire Evergreen community.

Disappointingly, to this point we have been unable to arrive at a

deal that satisfies the bargaining teams while still working within the realistic limits of the District budget.

By now you have most likely heard about the financial challenges the District is currently facing. We won't belabor the point (you can read in more detail on our web site: www.eesd.org, except to remind you that our declining enrollment rates due to fewer families able to buy homes

in San Jose, leading to much reduced State funding, coupled with astronomically high (and rising) pension costs have left us facing a deficit that is currently projected to be the neighborhood of \$16 million.

In the meantime, we have been trying to address this shortfall by looking for possible savings. Cuts are never easy to make and we have worked hard to keep any reductions as far away from the

student experience as possible.

In this fiscal environment, the already challenging negotiation process is made that much more difficult. However, we are committed to working with ETA to achieve a contract that is fair to all parties and will allow us to direct our energies to continuing to deliver a quality education for our kids.

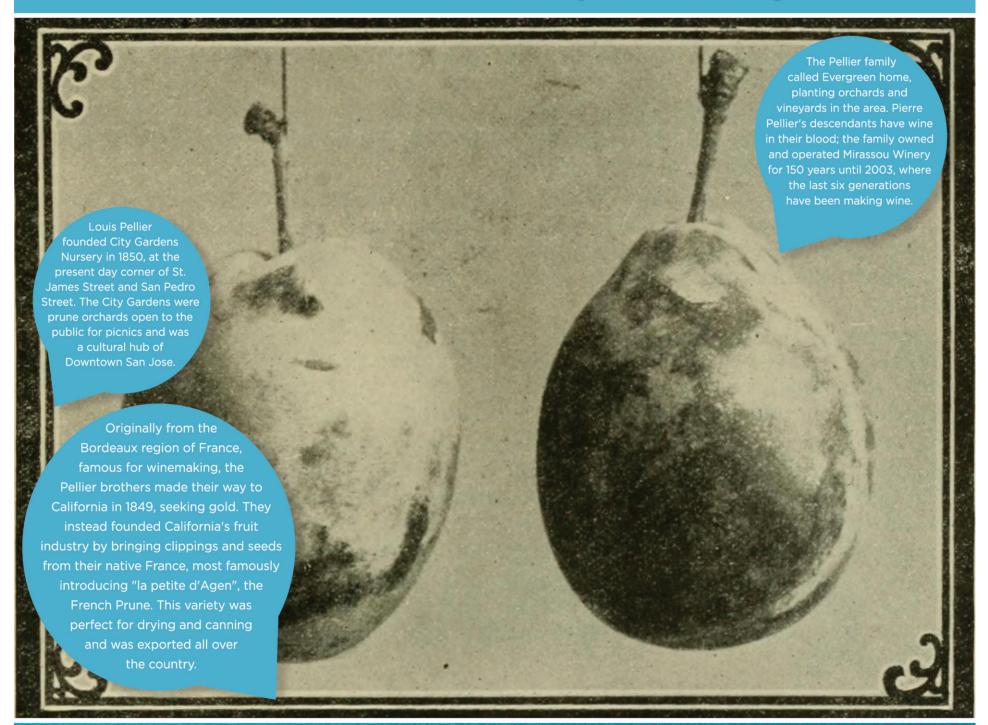
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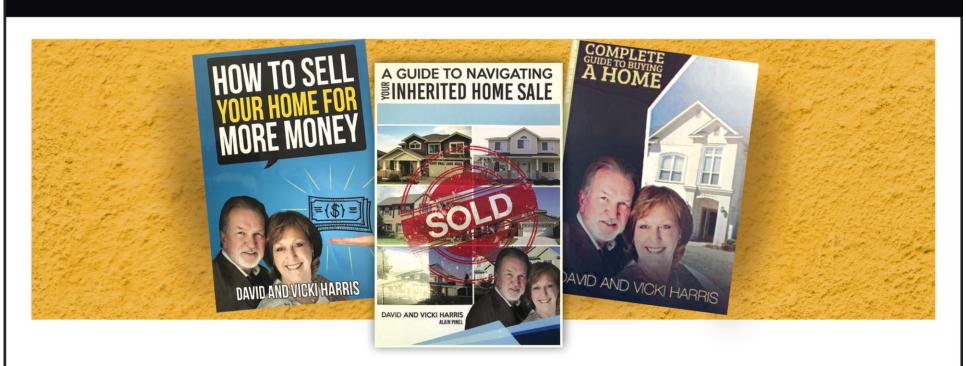
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Apoorva speaking at TIE Inflect (above), and posing with Miss San Jose, Jacqueline Wibowo (below).

#### **Genius Junior**

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from Jupiter, Florida; and Sebastian, a 12-year-old from New Hyde Park, New York. The twelve-year-old Apoorva made her Genius Junior TV debut on April 22. The new kid's quiz show celebrates bright kids in America, with only 36 chosen from across the nation to participate.

#### **Guest speaker**

Apoorva Panidapu was invited to speak at TIE Inflect, the World's largest Entrepreneur conference, held May 4-5 at the Santa Clara Convention center. The conference, attended by 5,400 attendees, included 220 plus speakers, 15 tracks, with 22 countries represented.

Apoorva presented in the Tie Youth track on the topic: Making a difference - A Young Polymath's Perspective, and was moderated by Miss San Jose, Jacqueline Wibowo, who is a senior at Stanford University. Apoorva spoke about her art gallery, Apoorva Art Gallery, her efforts in raising funds for children in Africa and her passion for mathematics.

Apoorva's speech received accolades from everyone in attendance. She wowed the audience with a live demonstration of her math computation, solving math problems in her head faster than a calculator. Apoorva also took the audience questions during the meet and greet. Here's a link to the video of her presentation at TIE Inflect:.youtu.be/QVfTKdQ5fzg.



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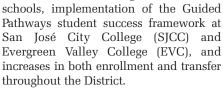
#### **Times Local News**

## **Evergreen CCD Chancellor to** retire, interim **Chancellor named**

r. Deborah Budd, who was named chancellor of San Jose - Evergreen Community College District in 2015, is scheduled to retire this summer.

Budd announced recently that her last day as SJECCD chancellor will be July 17, 2018, and her retirement was approved by the SJECCD board of trustees at its April 24 meeting.

Budd oversaw numerous milestones during her time at SJECCD, including development of the San Jose Promise; the passage of Measure X, a \$748 million bond that was approved by voters in 2016; the opening of the San Jose - Evergreen Community College Extension at Milpitas, creation of the District's Center for Economic Mobility, enhanced dual enrollment agreements with area high



During her tenure as chancellor, SJEC-CD also saw the accreditation of both EVC and SJCC reaffirmed, opened SparkPoint Centers on both college campuses, and expanded partnerships with other education entities, business, and industry in the Silicon Valley.

"It has been a distinct honor and pleasure to serve our students and this wonderful community," Chancellor Budd said. "I am enormously proud of the District's commitment to its values of Opportunity, Equity, and Social Justice, and I know the work we do transforms the lives of our students and their families will continue to move forward. Through our strong partnerships with business and industry throughout the region, we will continue to serve as the equity engine of the Silicon Valley."

"Our students, faculty, staff, and administrators are remarkable," Chancellor Budd added. "It has been a joy to see our incredible progress during my time at

SJECCD, and I am retiring this summer with a profound sense of gratitude for having been a part of the District during such an incredible period."

Mayra Cruz, president of the SJECCD board of trustees, noted Dr. Budd's leadership. "I want to thank Chancellor Budd for her outstanding work and visionary leadership during her tenure as SIECCD chancellor," Trustee Cruz said. "Chancellor Budd came to us as a leader com-

mitted to transforming our institutions, the lives of students, and our community. She has embodied the values of Opportunity, Equity, and Social Justice. The board of trustees is grateful for her many successes and wishes her well as she embarks upon the next chapter of her life. SJECCD is now poised for success and greater growth thanks to Chancellor Budd."

Another area where Dr. Budd has provided leadership is in succession planning, and the SJECCD board of trustees has named Dr. Byron D. Clift Brelandcurrent San José City College president as interim chancellor for the 2018 - 2019 academic year while it conducts a search for the Community College District's next chancellor.

"We are very fortunate to have a visionary and transformative leader in President Breland to serve as chancellor in an interim capacity during the 2018 - 2019 academic year," Trustee Cruz said. "Having such a great candidate already in the District will ensure a smooth transition as we move into the next phase for SJECCD. The board is grateful for President Breland's willingness to step into this new role and we are certain that he will build upon our recent successes and continue the upward trajectory of the District."

Dr. Clift Breland has served as SJCC president since 2013. He has held numerous instructional and administrative positions in K-12 and higher education. His innovative leadership has positioned San Jose City College amongst the top institutions in the nation in career education and workforce preparation. He has also worked to develop partnerships in Silicon Valley that provide meaningful educational and job training experiences for the diverse student body of SJCC. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in consumer economics and a Master of Science degree See BRELAND, page 18



Dr. Byron D. Clift Breland







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#### Times Local News



The students and their families are nictured with **Wendy Ferguson**. Scholarship Chair

# Villages Tennis Club awards \$12K in scholarships to four deserving Silver Creek High School students

By William Bellou Publisher

Pour Silver Creek High School students are each recipients of a \$3,000 scholarship awarded by the Villages Tennis Club.

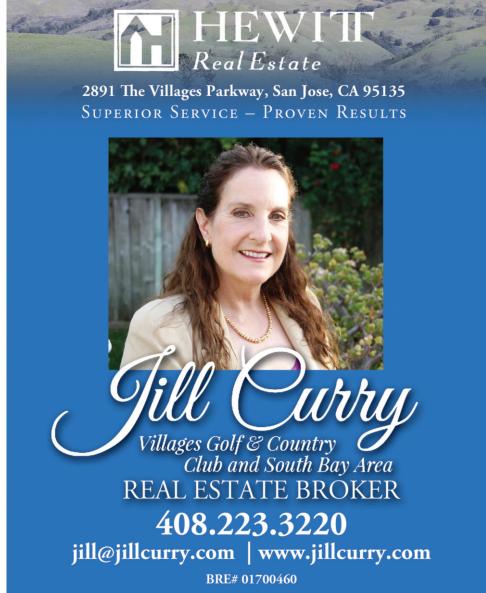
This year's 2018 winners are: Prachi Bhagavatha, Caitlin Nguyen, Steven Bui, and Zuhar Baqar.

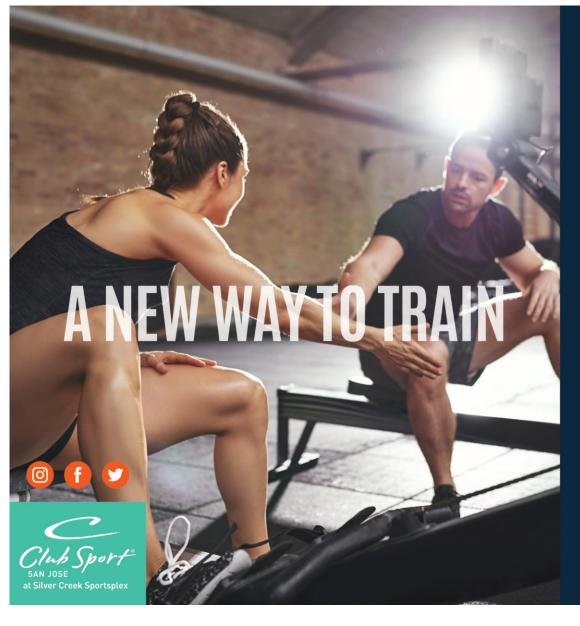
The Villages Tennis Club members were delighted to meet the students and their families at the Villages Tennis Club Scholarship dinner held on April 29.

Suzie Hathaway and Jim Ferguson provided the leadership and know-how for preparing a delicious dinner for the students, their families and members of the Villages Tennis Club.

The scholarships are a result of the generosity of many local merchants, including The Villages Golf and Country Club and individual donors.

The Villages Tennis Club is grateful to all who participate and help contribute to the success of the event.





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#### **Times Features**

# Registrar of voters needs volunteers

**By Dave Cortese** Special to the Times

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tor supervises the Precinct Board, is responsible for election supplies, setting up the polling place, and ensures that closing procedures are followed and ballots and election supplies are returned to the receiving center. The Clerk can perform any or all of the Election Officer duties and assist the Inspector. Inspectors will receive stipends of \$170 to \$200, and clerks will receive \$115 to \$145.

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register to vote online by visiting: registertovote.ca.gov form is easy to fill out and is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.

If you would rather fill out a paper voter registration application, you can pick one up at the County Registrar of Voters Office, 1555 Berger Drive, San Jose; libraries, Department of Motor Vehicles offices and the U.S. Post

Offices. To have a paper registration application mailed to you, call 800-345-8683.

After you are registered, you can also choose to vote by mail. The sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-

registration/vote-mail/#vote-by-mail-website will tell you all about registering to vote and voting by mail, along with other helpful information.

#### **Upcoming events**

Below are other events, programs and activities that are happening in May. For any questions, suggestions or concerns, please call my office at 408-299-

5030 or email me at dave.cortese@bos.sccgov.org.

County

Report

## 41st Berryessa Art and Wine Festival

Join me at the 41st Berryessa Art and Wine Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, at the Berryessa Community Center, 3050 Berryessa Road, San Jose. Explore local artists and their work, taste local wines and beer, and enjoy live music to benefit the local public schools with-

in the area. The event is free. Visit berryessaawf.com for more information.

#### Summer of Service Community Service Program for Students

The Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose is hosting an innovative community service summer day camp for youth entering 7th to 10th grades. Students will meet at the Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose each day before traveling to service sites within the community and will attend a field trip on Friday. For more information go to: youthprograms@cdm.org

#### Silicon Valley at Home's Affordable Housing Week

SV@Home, in conjunction with their sponsors, will be hosting a series of events from May 11 to May 18 for Affordable Housing Week 2018 in Santa Clara County. The event will bring diverse communities together to raise awareness, educate, engage, activate and unite around affordable housing issues. This year's theme will focus on collective action and the role the communities can play in responding to the housing crisis and building more affordable housing. Visit SV@Home for more details on the list of events.



By Frank Shortt Times Staff Writer

aurelwood Elementary School is doing a great job turning out future leaders.

What better way to build rapport between schools and business than to bring business leaders directly to schools to tell about their particular endeavor?

Thursday, May 3, 2018 was the day chosen by principal, Hong Nguyen and staff to have representatives from the business community to come to Laurelwood Elementary School to speak to future business leaders.

Laurelwood is part of the Evergreen School District, and has been a leader in innovative programs to keep parents interested in keeping their children in public education.

Career Day, as this program has come to be known, was spear-headed by First grade teacher, Bobbi Majors, author as well as teacher. This program required a lot of work orchestrating speakers, organizing schedules, and arranging for breakfast treats, as well as, a tasty lunch of Mexican cuisine.

The speakers came from all areas of the business community. They consisted of a Production Manager (Gob Ouellette), Lawyer (Shelli Tolletti), Engineer and Game Designer, (David Maxwell and Ben Tkacheff), Orthodontist (Dr. Freeman), Dentist (Carmen Hipona), Karate Instructor (Mark),



Above: All the participants for Career Day. Below; **Dr. Hong Nguyen**, Principal with student Principal for the day.

Restauranteur (Andrew), Banker (May Higgins and associates), Artist (Lila Gemellos), Christmas in the park Coordinator (Joe Noon), Realtor (Janet Lam), Fire Department (Debra Olazaba and several firemen). Financial Consultant (Minda Cabochan), Insurance Broker (Jeff Wong), Pharmacist (Jason Nguyen), Engineer (Chris Ciechanowski), Animal Control Officer (Jason Jenkins) and Writer, (Frank Shortt).

Laurelwood was all abuzz about the excellent speakers as children gathered for lunch afterwards. There were comments like, "Wow! I didn't know your mother had such an

important job!" Or, "Boy, there's

sure a lot to learn about what goes

on in our community!" Overall, everyone, adults and children had a very enlightening day with hopes that many students will be encouraged and inspired to follow the good examples set by all the speakers.













Times **News Briefs** 



# **Villages Amateur Theatre's production of 'Anything Goes' keeps audiences enthralled**

By Thom Harney

Special to the Times

Pictured here is the entire cast of the VAT's Production of "Anything Goes" during one of their well-deserved curtain calls following their performance of the very popular musical at the Villages Golf and Country Club's Cribari Center on Friday, April 6.

The cast, in order of appearance, included: Larry Miller, Estelle Kabbani, Lou Figone, Sherle Frost. Rosemarie Stocky, Sally Otton, Ann Avoux, Igor Alexandrow, Jay Campbell, Joanna Thornton, Marilyn Rodman, Reine Fedor, Susan Parker, Aileen Reid, Madelaine Yannaccone, Nick Yannaccone, Nancy Keane, Marcy Boyles, Mary Mazur, Connie Hendrickson, Paul

Minor, Claude Ashen, Gary Hill, Bill Rodman, Doris Adams, Chris Leisy, and Nancy Miller.

Directors included: Nick Yannaccone; Larry Miller; Sherle Frost; and Nancy Miller. Producers included: Tom McLaughlin and Tom Carson.

Musicians included: Tom Stocky; Larry Miller; Tom Carson; and Samuel Carson. Sets and Scenery included: Reine Fedor; Jim Grove; Doug Turner; and Bob Wilk. Costumes included: Alice Pratte (Manager); Ina Baxter; Mary Mazur; Madelaine Yannaccone; Rebecca Barrans; and Kathleen Peretti.

"It takes a Village to put on a wonderful production like this," said an enthusiastic audience member.

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# Is 'being chubby' cute?

By Dr. Raj Singh
Special to the Times
besity or being
overweight is
a serious disease affecting almost
50 percent of the pet
population in the
United States.

Being obese is often overlooked but it contributes to major

health risks for pets, not limited to:

- Arthritis
- Diabetes
- Heart disease/high blood pressure
  - Chronic back/joint pain
  - Shorter life span

#### **Common Causes of Obesity**

- 1. Consuming more calories than needed on a daily basis
- 2. Not getting enough/proper or lack of exercise
- 3. Eating unnecessary amounts of food including human food/table scraps
- 4. Medical conditions like thyroid or metabolic disorders.

## How do you determine if your pet is obese?

Your family vet can do a visual and physical exam and will look for the following:

- Unable to feel ribs/spine or cannot count ribs underneath fatty deposits.
- Fatty deposits on hips, chest, and tail area
- Cannot visualize waist when viewed from above
- Saggy abdomen/belly

Your family vet will also use body condition score to determine if your pet is obese.

## How do I help my pet lose weight?

The first step is to consult your family vet as your pet might have an underlying medical issue contributing to obesity which can be determined by blood tests. A detailed history of your pet's entire diet including all food, treats, table scraps and frequency of exercise, etc. should be taken so that your vet

can make an appropriate and effective weight loss plan for your pet.

Document your pet's weight before starting the weight loss plan. Keep track of all the food your pet eats including dog food,

treats, biscuits, chews, gravies etc. Usually food labels show the amount of calories per serving.

So count the number of calories your pet is eating per day and compare that to the recommended daily caloric intake. You can also get low calorie diet dog food from your yet.

Next, watch how much exercise your

pet is getting. Exercise along with appropriate feeding will lead to successful weight loss in your pet.

The entire family must be involved in order to achieve your pet's weight loss goals that might include changes in lifestyle for you and your pet.

#### How can I prevent obesity?

Obesity can be prevented by keeping your pet's dietary needs in check, regular exercise, and good nutrition. "You are what you eat" should be the motto so we can enjoy happy healthy pets for many, many years.

Editor's note: Questions for this column may be directed to Dr. Singh's email address: forpetvet@yahoo.com; 408.270.4600; Aborn Pet Clinic, 3286 S White Rd, San Jose, CA 95148.

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The EBA is comprised of business owners who live and work in the Evergreen area, who meet monthly to network, socialize, share best practices, and host speakers on educational topics of interest to business owners and entrepreneurs, as

well as issues affecting the community.

Future plans include community outreach to bring visibility to local business owners, and giving back through philanthropic activities.

EBA meetings are held the first Thursday of every month. Guests are always welcome.

For more information, visit www.ebagroup.org, or send an email to evergreenbusinessandnetworking@gmail.com.



### A Mother's Day Affair at Evergreen Village Square

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#### **OFF THE SHELF**

# **Village Square Library 'Around the World' series culminates in Asia**

sian/Pacific Islander American Heritage is the last program in Village Square branch's Around the World Series before a summer break. Library visitors of all ages will experience diverse arts, crafts, and snacks, Friday May 18, 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

#### **Beyond storytimes**

Both branch libraries will have supplies for children who want to make some Mother's Day cards on Saturday, May 12, at Evergreen, 11 a.m., Village Square, 3 p.m. Kids may also use supplies at Evergreen's Writing Station to write letters to their grandmothers, moms, or special women in their lives about their reading anytime during the month of May. Children with late fees may arrange to use writing time for Read Away your Fines, a bonus gift Moms could really appreciate!

Children who want to practice reading aloud have many opportunities at San Jose libraries. We not only encourage parents to listen to their children share stories but also to continue reading aloud even after children can read for themselves. Reading Buddies is an opportunity for children in kindergarten through third grade to read aloud with a trained teen volunteer at Evergreen branch, Saturdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. But could anything top reading to a Furry Friend? Reading therapy dogs arrive at Village Square monthly on the third Saturday, May 19, 10 a.m. Most children naturally feel comfortable around dogs. By making the most of this relationship, children can grow to love reading. If your child is afraid of dogs, you might bring them to sit nearby and just observe, until they get accustomed to some reading role-models with wagging tails.

#### Diverse program opportunities

Libraries have too many program opportunities to include in this issue. Some of them are more traditional, like book clubs, English as a Second Language conversation clubs, and children's storytimes. Even literacy programs have been around for a while. Partnership in Reading tutors and adult students will be matched up after going through the initial application and orientation;

Ask at your local branch if you know someone who might not be able to read this newspaper article and library staff will get them started! Some programs are academic oriented, like Homework Clubs, Learning Circles, and Common Core Math (Village Square).

#### Intro to programming

You may have heard about the library's Coding 5K challenge with new programming and coding classes being offered. Sign up now for Evergreen Branch's Introduction to Programming series, open to 5th-10th graders, June 8-29; Village Square's "theCodeMatrix student-run program that introduces 4th -7th graders to computer programming and its relationship to art and design, June 21- July 26; or Village Square's Game Design and Animation Using Scratch, open to 2nd-5th graders, in July. Look ahead for special coding events such as Coding without Computers, for children ages 5 and up to

be offered at both branches in July so you can save the date. Many branches will have new computer classes being added throughout the summer and fall, so search the sipl.org/events site for "coding" to discover new ones as they are added.

But, did you know you can also find Bollywood Workout or Go Board Game programs (Village Square), and Virtual Reality (Evergreen) – with separate times for teens and adults? There are many fun Summer Learning programs coming in our next column—so watch the Evergreen Times to be the first to hear what is coming soon to a library branch near you! (Teaser: 3-D printing demos will be at both branches in June and July)

#### **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, sjpl.org.



### Palm Sunday Vigil Holy Mass celebrated at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Pastor - Monsignor Eugene O'Donnell speaks to his faithful followers prior to leading them in the walk around and into The Chapel for the Palm Sunday Vigil Holy m Mass at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish located on San Felipe Road in Evergreen Valley, Photo and Caption by Thom Harney.



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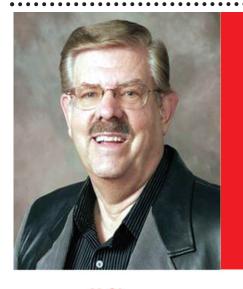
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#### **Times Feature**

#### **District**

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has consistently been committed to a fair deal for our teachers. Despite the financial constraints we face, we have provided 12.25 percent in salary increases in recent years (our teachers currently earn an average salary of \$95,035, the 5th highest of 32 districts in Santa Clara County) while maintaining among the best benefits in the entire region including a health plan that is recognized as one of the best in the state, and also third highest-funded in the county. We provide this level of compensation because our teachers deserve it; because we know how hard they work and how crucial they are to the success of the District.

To that end, despite increasing health costs we are committed to keeping those costs affordable for our employees. This is helped by a move to a new health care arrangement that will limit additional costs to staff. ETA and the District Board of Trustees recently voted in favor of this move, a significant development that will keep costs down and ensure teachers' paychecks aren't negatively impacted.

So, with negotiations and a mediation process failing to produce a deal, what comes next? ETA is currently "working to contract", or, only engaging in activities directly outlined in their contract. They are also sharing information from their perspective at info pickets, online and even in some cases, directly with their students. Meanwhile, impasse has been declared, mediation sessions have taken place and now we likely will enter a phase known as "fact finding" where an independent third

party examines the arguments of both parties and offers a non-binding recommendation to resolve the situation.

In the meantime all efforts will continue to be made to resolve this matter equitably and without delay. Moving forward, we are hopeful for a positive resolution, as we know our teachers share with the District a sincere commitment to our students and the Evergreen community.

The District is committed to do the work it takes to arrive at a fair deal. We will return to the table as often and for as long as it takes to reach an agreement that is fair to all. We will continue discussions civilly and forthrightly, respecting the needs of our skilled and dedicated teachers while honoring the responsibility the District has to our families.

Throughout the process it's critical that everyone involved remain respectful and courteous, even when tensions are heightened. Misstatements made in an effort to negatively portray those you may disagree with are not helpful and create an environment that's beneath that which we would want to create for our kids. To that end we will keep a running-response FAQ eesd.org/page.cfm?p=2700&newsid=3623 &ncat=2, clarifying such misstatements on our website. We will regularly update this page as we hear things that are untrue, or unnecessarily disparaging.

We will keep you informed as we continue to pursue a resolution to these discussions. Thank you for your continued patience and support and please do not hesitate to contact the District office with any questions you have.

#### Kathy Gomez

Superintendent, Evergreen School District



# **Evergreen Valley High School wins Division 4 Hockey Championship**

IMPRSSIVE WIN! – The Evergreen Valley High School Division 4 Hockey Team beat Pioneer High School with a score of 5-3 in the last game of the season at the Sportsplex in San Jose on Saturday, May 6. That same night, the team played top ranked Sobrato and won 10-3 to take the Championship.

#### **Breland**

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in family studies from the University of Maryland, College Park, as well as a Master of Science in education and a Ph.D. in counseling psychology, both from the University of Southern California.

"I am thankful to the board of trustees for placing their confidence in me to be the next chancellor of San José – Evergreen Community College District," said Dr. Clift Breland. "I am honored to have the opportunity to continue working alongside my colleagues in service to our students and the entire community and I am grateful for the work that has been done by the Board, Dr. Budd, and the faculty and staff to ensure that the District is well-positioned for this next chapter."

Dr. Clift Breland's post as SJECCD's interim chancellor is scheduled to begin July 1.





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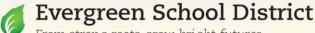


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I returned home to Evergreen Valley after learning that my father was battling cancer. Suddenly, I wanted to make up for lost time and try to reconnect with the man whom I respected and loved yet never really knew as a person. Ever since I was a kid, I always believed that the best career on earth would be one that would allow me to work alongside my father.

#### Dad says, "Why don't you then"

While my father was undergoing cancer treatments, we would watch movies from his library of DVDs at our home. After looking at some terrible movie - I cannot remember which one - I snidely commented to my father, "You know dad, I bet I could make a better movie than the one that we watched." Then, my father turned to me and said, "Why don't you then?" Now you know how my quest began.

#### Screenplay

I decided to write an extraordinary screenplay and to not just bring the story to the reader or viewer but instead make it much more powerful and personal to move feelings inside the beholder. Could I change the world?

#### Today I am in the business of changing lives

My name is Zachary Hocker. I am 34years-old and a life-long resident of Evergreen. Beginning in October 2017, I decided to write a screenplay with the support of my 74-year-old father who retired from NASA Ames and my 82-year-old aunt residing in Willingboro, New Jersey. We are an African-American family with an inspiring ancestral journey.

What began as my personal endeavor to record my Aunt Annette speaking to my father on the telephone as they recollected their fondest childhood memories and stories regarding our family's history soon transformed into my dream project!

#### Help comes from up above

'You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free," is a verse from the Holy Book. Something happened inside me and those I worked with moved us into making a new vehicle of communication called a documentary. It just happened.

I was pulled from some force to go forward without being afraid, to make a monumental documentary carefully wrapped and draped with the love and guidance of my whole family. We found the courage to reveal the truth of our family tree. Over time, I created a documentary showcasing the three of us collaborating on the telephone and I began writing a screenplay that follows our family's history from the time of being slaves in Virginia to present-day.

In October 2017, I called my Aunt Annette who resides in Willingboro, New Jersey when I stumbled upon a birthday card that she had sent to me on my 1st birthday. When I called Annette for the first time in my life, with my father standing by my side, I learned that she had been diagnosed with terminal cancer but time was still on her side.

For the next several months, I spent hours on the phone with Annette, learning as much I could about this loving and kind woman I regretfully neglected to talk to my entire life. At 83-years-old, my Aunt Annette has an incredible memory. Through my Aunt Annette, I regained a treasure trove of lost history about my family dating back to the time when my paternal ancestors were all slaves in Virginia. The stories about the injustice and adversity my ancestors fought and prevailed against strengthened me. Ultimately, she told me a story about a wonderful man from our family who later became the subject of our screenplay. In addition, I filmed a documentary of us working together from the beginning of our endeavor to present

#### Shining a light on race, racism and women's empowerment

We believe that this screenplay that I've created, with the help of my family, will change how America will view race, racism, and particularly women's empowerment. To achieve this feat, our family used love and forgiveness as a weapon of hope and defense against all things evil which overshadowed our family tree. "We shall overcome," became a stark reality for us.

Mistreatment of women persists throughout our world in the recent and distant past. Sadly, I also learned that so many women who were my ancestors were also brutalized by our society. Through the deep study of historical facts I learned about the power and strength women in my family possessed despite the painful injustice they encountered living amidst a sexist and racist society.

My great-great grandmother, a house slave named Amanda Lewis, was assaulted by her master, a wealthy Virginia circuit court judge. Amanda tried to escape the plantation each time she was impregnated. Finally, the slave overseer threatened to dismember Amanda's feet if she ever tried to escape again.

My Aunt Annette told me a story about a strong and wonderful woman from our family who later became one of our screenplay's main protagonists. Her name is Rebecca Lewis and she was my greatgrandmother, someone I truly admire and love. Her spirit rose up again from the depths of our nation's hidden history. Widowed after her husband died in a West Virginia coal mine, she was left to care for seven children by herself. With power bestowed to her from up above she worked as an underpaid midwife and delivered more than 700 black and white children (including the mayor's grandson) in Virginia without losing a single child or mother. Since she was a woman and black, she was never allowed the opportunity to go to medical school or even be allowed to enter any of the major hospitals due to segregation. I wonder how many more children and mothers would have lived through childbirth had they been under the care of my great grandmother? Great grandmother Rebecca was also an incredible expert sharpshooter with a rifle, "A "black Annie Oakley," as my Aunt Annette describes her. She was something special that's for sure!

#### We're on our way now

As readers of the Evergreen Times, we admired over the years how this publication incorporates inspiring human interest

Approaching the publisher by e-mail this past month, I asked if my aunt, my father, and I could have the honor of publishing this article and if possible to create more future articles to allow you the reader to journey forward with us in our endeavor as a family to make a difference in the world.

In process for copyright, Annette, my father, and I will be approaching major film studios throughout the summer with our

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screenplay. I can only pray that my Aunt Annette will prevail in her battle against terminal cancer and live to see the day when our dream of turning our screenplay into a motion picture becomes a reality!

Some of our family members are involved in the movie and music industry. We have artistic joy and talent in the branches and leaves of our family tree. It runs through us and is passed on from generation to generation. This project pulls from this inspiration to create a harmony of thoughts and perceptions to be consumed by you which will impact the manner in which one can choose to perceive others in new found ways.

I suppose a predilection toward entertainment runs strong in us. Alan Ferguson, my cousin and their nephew, is a successful music video director who has directed Jay-Z's music videos and recently married Solange Knowles, Beyoncé's younger sister. Kevin Tsujihara, my mother's cousin, is the CEO of Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc.

Join me in the "treatment" process of this screenplay by following along as I write future articles about navigating the road of the film industry and the process of reaching high for one's goals.

# **New Seasons Market Events**

Saturday, May 12, 12pm-3pm: Mother's Day Brunch Tasting Event. Stop by our Solutions Counter to sample some recipes and ideas that you can take home and recreate for the day that is all about mom! Free

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Thursday, May 17, 7pm–8pm: Blood Sugar Balance Strategies to Avoid Disease, Lose Weight, Gain Energy, and Feel Great! Learn how sugar balance affects your health and what to do about it; the good news about eating sweets and fats; strategies to lose weight and have abundant energy and prevent disease; and breakthrough, easy-to-implement natural, self-helo techniques. Free.

Saturday, May 19, 12pm-2pm: Gluten-Free Support Group. Join other gluten-free practitioners from the Bay Area to share resources and experiences. Gain ideas and inspiration from guest speaker Chen Ben-Asher, who recently published, What if Gluten-Free is Not Enough? Free.

Preregister for classes at: bit.ly/lNew\_Seasons\_EVG. New Seasons Market is located at 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd, San Jose. 408-513-8200.

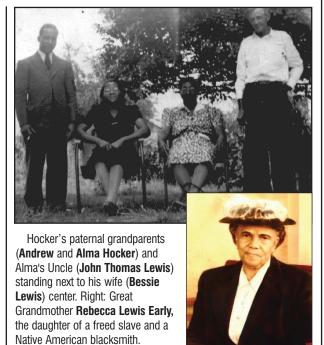
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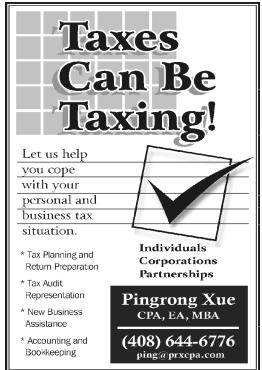
I'm creating a website for all to come to visit so you can read more and I will continue to provide you updates in the creation of the book, documentary, play and more

I value your encouragement.

I know I'm never going to give up on my dream, so come along with me and be sure to say a prayer for humanity as we forge new changes in our world through the light of moving images called the motion picture industry.

Editor's note: Look for more installments in the Evergreen Times of Mr. Hocker's journey as he works to make his documentary and screenplay come to fruition. Also, you can follow Mr. Hocker on his twitter page or contact him at: zacyale@yahoo.com or twitter.com/MillionDollaZac





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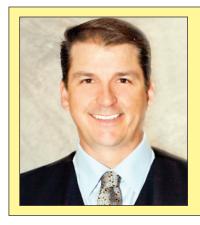
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#### **District 8 Community Roundtable**

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

CalRTA-Area V-Div. 70 Retired Teachers Organization. Meets 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 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 every month at 7:30 am at the Evergreen Village Square Library, 4035 Evergreen Village Square, San Jose, We also meet at Evergreen Coffee Company on the 4th Friday of the month for a more informal session at noon. Evergreen Coffee Company is also located at Evergreen Village Square. For more information, please refer to our website at www.ebagroup.org.

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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 New Seasons 5667 Silver Creek Valley Rd San Jose Ca 95138. \$3 admission, coffee and pastries included. For more information, call David Castillo at 238-2000.

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The Evergreen Senior Advisory Council meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:30 a m. Get

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**

Meeting at the SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING CENTER, 4855 San Felipe Road (across from McDonalds). Meetings will be on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, from 7-8 PM. EVGC membership is \$20/year or \$30 for couples. During this time of transition, any membership fees paid now will be extended to cover all of 2018 as well. For further information, please feel free to contact Susie Henderson: susiehenderson@sbcglobal.net or 408-532-6602

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

#### **Evergreen Valley High School Site Council**

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

## **Evergreen Valley Service Organization**

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

#### Falls Creek Neighborhood Association

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

#### The Evergreen Community Center

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**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 rhyaa.org)

#### **Rotary Club of San Jose**

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

#### **Story Road Business Association**

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

#### San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Board

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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). New meeting schedule will be posted soon.

#### 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.

#### Get listed!

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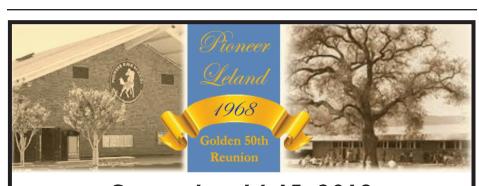


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