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## 30+ Years of Harmony: The Vibrant Music Scene at Orchard City Green is back!

How Campbell, California, became a melodic hub

Nestled in the heart of Campbell, California, Orchard City Green has been a cherished cornerstone of the community's cultural life for over three



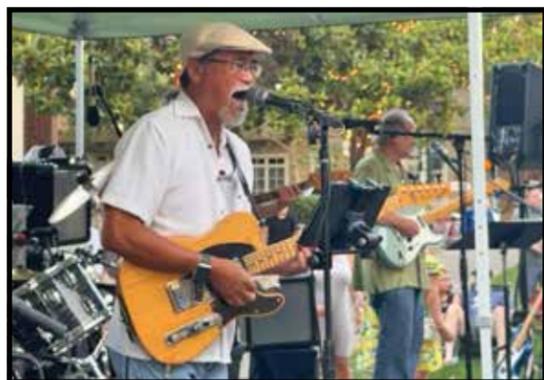
*The Crocodiles*

decades. Known for its picturesque setting, inviting lawns, and a stage that has echoed with countless performances, it is a place where melodies have transcended genres, generations, and even geography. Over the last 30-plus years, this site has evolved from a quaint community gathering spot into a vibrant epicenter for live music and artistic celebration. Here, the sound of guitars strumming, voices harmonizing, and the occasional burst of applause has crafted a narrative

that is uniquely Campbell California, yet universally resonant.

Orchard City Green owes its name to Campbell's origins as a flourishing orchard town in the early 20th century. While the city's agricultural identity may have transformed with time, the Green remains a homage to its rich history. Designed to be a communal space where families and individuals alike could gather, its open-air setting and natural acoustics proved to be the perfect environment for live music.

But by the mid-1990s, the city council recognized the potential to turn Orchard City Green into a musical destination that could attract



*First Call*

not just Campbell residents, but visitors from across

Silicon Valley and beyond. By the late 1990's, the Orchard City Green began



*Jack Ortolani (from The Garage Band) playing with The Jesse Charles Band.*

carving a niche for itself in the local music scene. Its inaugural concert series was a modest affair—a handful of summer evenings featuring local folk musicians, light rock groups, and indie bands. These performances struck a major chord with the local community. Fast forward to the 2000's, and the Green

had become a magnet for talent. Classic rock cover bands brought rockin'

rhythms to balmy nights, electrifying Thursday sunsets, yet Orchard City Green became a stage where nearly every genre found its voice. Every year, the number of attendees grew, as did the diversity of the performers. Other genres soon emerged such as Soul, Reggae, Pop, Dance & R&B.

One of the hallmarks of Orchard City Green has

been its unwavering commitment to local talent. Over the years, the Green has served as a springboard for countless artists from Campbell and surrounding areas. Campbell High School members in bands like "The Crocodiles" first graced the stage here and were a staple for many years to come.

The summer concert series at Orchard City Green has become a staple and beloved tradition, drawing

thousands of attendees every year. Families spread their picnic blankets under the trees, as children frolic to the beats of live music. The Campbell Kiwanis club, in association with Westmont High School students volunteered by serving up burgers, dogs, and fries, adding culinary delights to the auditory feast, while beer & wine



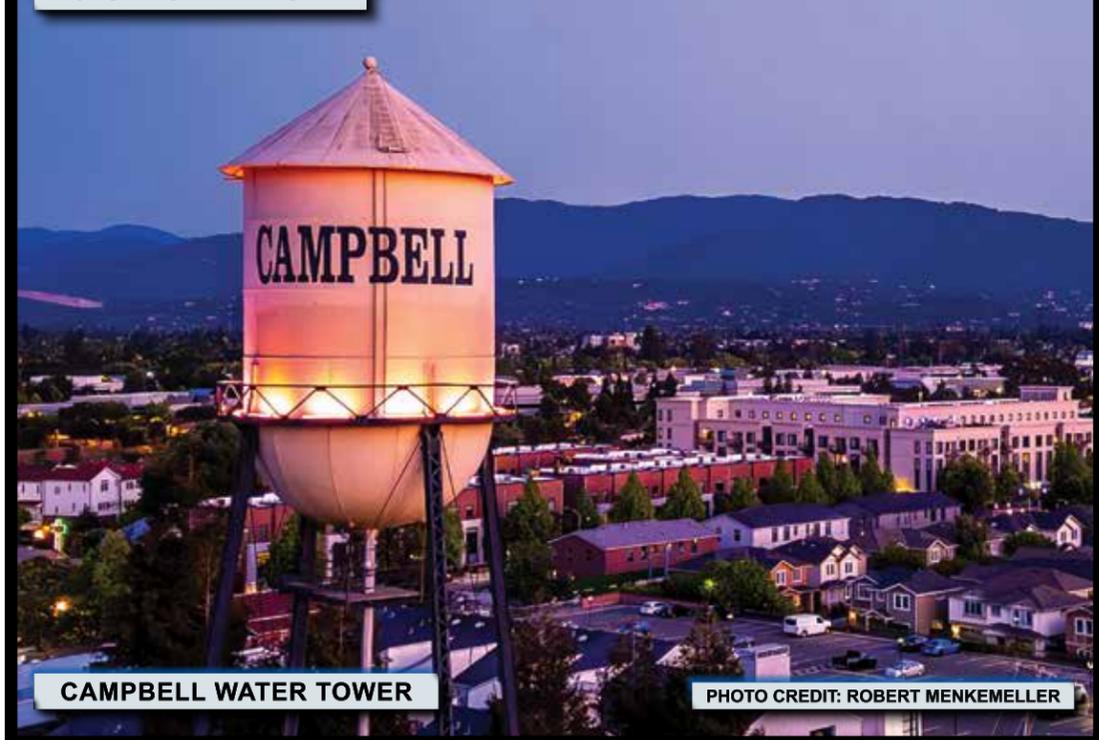
*The Hitmen*

flowed from taps north of the green outside the Ainsley carriage house to complement the meals.

What makes Orchard City Green more than just a destination is its role as a cultural and social hub. It's where neighbors become friends, where stories are

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### PICTURE OF THE MONTH



CAMPBELL WATER TOWER

PHOTO CREDIT: ROBERT MENKEMELLER

## Just a Little Bit of History

*By Susan Blake, Campbell Historic Preservation Board*

May's mystery photo may look familiar to folks who walk around the downtown streets. It is the archway that connects two small cottages located at 35-45 South First Street.

These two Spanish Revival style units were built in 1927 by Claude Grizzle and are the last examples of cannery worker housing. During the 1920s and 1930s, workers employed by the nearby fruit processing plants paid \$15 a month to stay in one of two units.

Over the years, many commercial businesses have used these units. Some inside remodeling was done after a fire in 1997, but we are lucky to still have these connected cottages.



Below is the mystery photo for May. See if you can figure out where this beautiful stained-glass window is located. Hint: construction zone.

## WORD OF THE MONTH

### “RECIDIVISM”

[Ree-sid-ih-viz-um]

NOUN

The act of a person repeating an undesirable behavior after they have experienced negative consequences of that behavior.

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## HAPPENINGS

### Museum Happenings June 2025 Summer Is Here—And So Is History in the Making!

Wait—summer already?! Time flies when you’re making history... or preserving it! At the Campbell Museums, we’re reminded every day that **history isn’t just in the past—it’s happening all around us, all the time.**

As the sun comes out and the days get longer, we’re thrilled to share a summer packed with **special events, community gatherings, and unforgettable experiences.** Whether you’re grooving in the garden, raising a glass at History Happy Hour, or exploring stories that shaped our valley, there’s something for everyone.

**Check out what’s happening this season at the Campbell Museums—from fundraisers that support our mission, to community partnerships that bring history to life.**

Scroll down for all the exciting details, and make this summer one to remember—with us!

#### CAMPBELL HISTORICAL MUSEUM & AINSLEY HOUSE PUBLIC HOURS:

Both Museums are open: **Fridays through Sundays, 11am to 3pm.**

During the school year, the Historical Museum will open at **12:30** when on site field trips are taking place.

The Campbell Museums are proud to be part of the **Blue Star Museums program!** From May 17 – Sept 1, 2025, we’re offering free admission to active-duty military personnel and their families. This national initiative, led by the NEA and Blue Star Families, honors those who serve with access to museums across the country.

**E-Waste & Recycling Drive – Saturday, June 21 | 9 AM – 3 PM**

**Ainsley House Gravel Lot**

accessed at Grant St. and Harrison Ave.

Clear out your clutter and support a great cause! Bring your old electronics to our **E-Waste Recycling Event** and help keep harmful materials out of landfills. Plus, we’re also hosting a **Recycle Drive for plastic bottles and aluminum cans** (please, no glass).

✔ See the flyer for a list of accepted e-waste items.

♥ It’s a **win-win**: you clean up, and the **Campbell Museums benefit** from your recyclables!

Mark your calendar, spread the word, and let’s recycle for a cleaner future—and a stronger museum!

#### History happy hour at the Ainsley House

Discover our History Happy Hour events, where history enthusiasts, our vibrant community, and eager learners unite! Join us for these upcoming sessions:

- Friday, June 13: **“Campbell Incorporated, the Little Station that Became a City,”** with David Blinn
- Friday, July 18 **“The Rest of the Story....More Stories of the Santa Cruz Mountains,”** with Jay Topping
- Friday, August 15 **“The History of the Bernal-Gulnac-Joice Ranch,”** with SCC Parks and Recreation interpreter, Rob McDonnell
- Friday, September 12 **“The History of wine making in the Santa Clara Valley,”** with Bonnie Bamburg from the Friends of the Wine Makers
- Friday, October 10 **“Genetic Genealogy, DNA Testing to**

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## HERE’S HOWE

### A Glimpse into Campbell, California:

Celebrating Community Spirit and Vibrancy - for those that don’t know

Our city, nestled in the heart of Silicon Valley, is a growing and vibrant community that seamlessly blends the charm of small-town living with the energy of modern innovation. While known for its historic downtown and rich culture, our city remains a hub of activity, hosting events, innovative projects and initiatives that continually bring residents together. As a 4th generation Campbellite, I have always proudly called Campbell my home. At one time in my 40’s, I ventured away dreaming I might find another place I prefer to live other than Campbell—not that I am disappointed in any way about our city; but figured there might be another location that intrigued me more. Nope. After years of traveling around the world, few places match our locale. Climate, business opportunities, friendships and family, I have no desire to leave the place where I grew up. This may be why Campbell has become one of the top destinations in not only the U.S., but the world for so many to settle. Campbell’s cultural diversity is an inspiration for all.

Our **Campbell Farmer’s Market** is a beloved tradition that takes place every Sunday morning downtown. Bustling with local vendors offering fresh produce, artisanal goods, food, and unique crafts, the market serves as a gathering spot for people across the south bay and said to be the best by all who ever attended. Families stroll past the vendors, sampling seasonal fruits, while music fills the air as local artists perform. It is not just a place to shop, but a celebration of Campbell and the surrounding areas agricultural heritage.

Speaking of heritage, **The Heritage Theatre** is a cherished local venue, and one that I am very close to having graduated from Campbell High School. It continues to be a stage for

exceptional performances. From international artists, tribute bands, dance troupes and other special events, the community theater highlights the talents of many. Upcoming shows promise to entertain audiences that reflect universal themes and are a spotlight into Campbell’s artistic community.

As the year unfolds, Campbell transforms with the seasons. The annual **Bunnies & Bonnets Easter Parade, Boogie Music Festival** as well as the **Oktoberfest** in the fall, are lively celebrations filled with music, dancing, and delicious food. Winter brings the **Carol of Lights** event, where the streets sparkle with Christmas decorations, and families gather for festive holiday activities. Good times had by all!

Campbell’s residents often say that the city’s charm lies in its people. Beyond the organized events, impromptu gatherings in parks, local cafes, and community centers reflect the genuine camaraderie that defines life here and I must agree. Whether it’s parents chatting while their children play, or neighbors exchanging recipes at the market, the shared stories and connections weave a tapestry of unity that defines Campbell.

Campbell, California, with its rich history and vibrant present, showcases how a community can thrive through collaboration, creativity, and connection. Whether you are a lifelong resident or a visitor passing through, the city invites you to be a part of its story.

Let me shout out to my longtime friend Robert Menkemeller who took this issues Photo of the month on page 1. Robert is a Nutritionist and Real Estate Photographer and recently snapped that amazing pic from his drone. Check out some of his other work at <https://menkeman.smugmug.com/>.

## THEN AND NOW



Photo: The Campbell Express



Photo: © Matthew C. Howe

Originally opened on November 16, 1966 as the Plaza Twin Theatre on Winchester Blvd., it debuted movies such as ‘Gigi’ and Disney’s ‘The Tattooed Police Horse.’ Starting as a two single-screen cinema (that I frequently attended as a youngster) it later evolved into a 4-screen complex in the 1970s. It was later updated with stadium style seating in 2003. The theatre expanded to 5 screens by 2017 and eventually grew to 8 screens by 2019 under the CineLux Theatre moniker. This first image here is from 2018 when they were updating their sign with the CineLux logo. I’m still surprised the sign is not electronic as most are today, and still manually updated with single letters to spell what is needed.



## Campbell High Reunions - September 2025



Ahoy, buccaneers! **Calling all Campbell High grads 1900-1980.** An all class reunion is being held on Saturday, September 13, 2025, from noon to 5 pm in the Orchard City Banquet Hall at our old high school. A tour of the refurbished theater, now the "Heritage Theater" and accessible areas of the campus will also take place Friday afternoon, September 12.

Register for this event at [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/campbell-high-all-class-reunion-2025-tickets-](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/campbell-high-all-class-reunion-2025-tickets-1353773405699?aff=oddtcreator)

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Cost is \$45 per person, which includes admission to the event and your choice of box lunch and drink. Registration deadline for the reunion is August 23. Souvenir T-shirts are also available on the site. For our out of town guests, the registration site gives links to local hotels holding special rate room blocks for reunion attendees. Questions to [dturner67bucs@gmail.com](mailto:dturner67bucs@gmail.com) or [Campbellreunion2025@gmail.com](mailto:Campbellreunion2025@gmail.com).

**Former Campbell High teachers, coaches, and administrators attend free!** Contact [dturner67bucs@gmail.com](mailto:dturner67bucs@gmail.com) for details.

**BONUS for Class of 1975.** A 50 year reunion dinner also will be held Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 6-10 pm in the Roosevelt Redwood Room Q80 at the school (old band room) For more information, send e-mail to [campbell50yrs@gmail.com](mailto:campbell50yrs@gmail.com).

Return to Campbell High for a weekend of reminiscing and reconnecting! Go Bucs!

## PUBLISHER NOTES

By Nancy O. Whitney

### Campbell's Sounds of Summer!

Summer is officially here, and Campbell is buzzing with music, festivals, and nonstop community fun! The Campbell Press was at the Campbell Chamber's Boogie Music Festival, where the streets came alive with dancing, delicious food, and smiling faces. Be sure to flip to the back page to catch our favorite moments from the weekend in a special photo spread! But the excitement doesn't stop there—this season is shaping up to be one of the liveliest yet. We're diving into the spirit of summer with a look back at one of our most beloved local traditions: Music on the Green. The Campbell Concert Series is back! That's right—live music will be returning to our beautiful outdoor venues, and it's all kicking off with a fresh lineup of local talent, fun themes, and family-friendly energy. Check out our front page and page 13 for all the details on dates, performers, and how to join the fun.

Prefer to stay closer to town? San Jose's Cypress Community Center is hosting another fabulous outdoor festival on the same day, packed with music, food, and family activities. Whether you're in the mountains or the city, June 21 is your day to dance!

Right here in Campbell, Rock Bottom Brewery at the Pruneyard is turning up the volume with its brand-new Monday Open Mic Nights! Every Monday from 6 to 9 PM, local musicians of all styles and skill levels are invited to share their sound. It's already drawing new musicians and regulars who play often just to let the packed place know when they're going to play next and where. It's already proven to be a great place to kick off your week with a bite, a brew, and some tunes—more on Page 10.

At The Campbell Press, we're proud to be part of a community that celebrates art, music, and togetherness. We're so thankful for our loyal readers, subscribers, advertisers, and local businesses who keep this paper—and this town—thriving.

Visit us online at [www.the-campbellpress.com](http://www.the-campbellpress.com).

We'll see you out there this summer, celebrating all that Campbell has to offer!

Looking for even more music? June 21 is shaping up to be a can't-miss day for local entertainment lovers. Head into the hills for Longstock, the long-running Los Gatos music festival, which features special guest Dorise Hunt, recently releasing a new CD, and the Throwing Roses. You can find the information in the Entertainment section.

### Fruits & Nuts

by Thomas J. Espinosa



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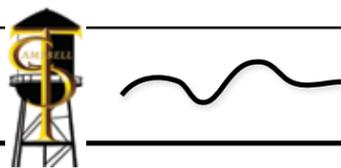
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#### SOLD/CLOSED ESCROW, SINGLE FAMILY HOMES

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Cameo Drive	\$2,650,000	3/2	66	8066	1971
Smith Avenue	\$2,525,000	4/3	72	8520	2256
Nero Court	\$2,355,000	4/2	64	7245	1610
Nadine Drive	\$2,060,000	4/2	64	6200	1398
Maximilian Drive	\$1,830,000	3/2	63	5400	1244
W. Rincon Avenue	\$1,800,000	4/2	61	7254	1483
Harrison Avenue	\$1,780,000	4/3	70	6552	2065
Victor Avenue	\$1,655,000	3/2	68	6014	1370

#### SOLD/CLOSED ESCROW, CONDO/TOWNHOMES

W. Campbell Avenue	\$1,315,000	3/2.5	45		2065
Campisi Way	\$1,099,000	2/2	17		1414
Salice Way	\$1,031,000	2/1.5	49	1119	1141
Poplar Terrace	\$915,000	3/2	52	2202	1164
Apricot Avenue	\$765,000	2/2	43	1019	1065
Watson Drive	\$625,000	2/1	54		903
S. Bascom Avenue	\$605,000	1/1	41		736



## Lions Collect 1 Million Eyeglasses



Larry Edson  
President West SJ/Campbell Lions

If you are a regular reader of this column you have probably heard us talk about the Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. This vital service started in 1953 with the strong financial support of what was then known as the Hester Lions Club, as well other local Lions. A few years back a portable school room was donated and moved next door to process used eyeglasses that are then repurposed at eye clinics around the world. You may have seen WSJ-Campbell Lion

Art Low's article about his recent trip to the Philippines.

Well, last month we reached a milestone in the program



Delta Gamma students from San Jose State University process thousands of glasses.

when we processed our 1 millionth pair of eyeglasses. Around 100 people were in attendance including groups from AARP, Delta Gamma at San Jose State, local Lions Clubs, as well as a number of the visually impaired clients from the center. Over a dozen stations were set up to inspect glasses for scratches, box up bad glasses to be recycled, wash and dry good ones, and finally inspect and

label glasses with their prescription by folks trained in the use of a lensometer. Only a small percentage of the glasses are deemed good enough to be reused. Childrens glasses are especially sought after as they tend to get the most abuse. But even the rejects get a second life as they get ground up and melted down to be made into new products.

## Campbell Veterans Memorial Foundation

The **Campbell Veterans Memorial Foundation (CVMF)** honored the spirit of service and sacrifice at our annual Memorial Day ceremony at City Hall on May 26. This solemn yet uplifting event showcased a distinguished gathering of community leaders, veterans, and citizens united in remembrance.

The program was hosted by Master of Ceremonies Dan Furtado and Keynote Speaker Colonel John Nestor, U.S. Army, whose words stirred a deep sense of pride and reflection. We were privileged to hear inspiring tributes from State Senator Dave Cortese, U.S. Representative Sam Liccardo,

and Campbell City Council Member Elliot Scozzola. Each of them reminded us of the enduring debt to

those who gave their lives in defense of our freedoms.

Moving musical performances by the Del Mar High School Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro William Burkhead, elevated the ceremony. Their stirring renditions of patriotic classics echoed through the plaza, honored the fallen, and celebrated our American spirit.

This Memorial Day gathering also reaffirmed CVMF's community's shared reverence for those who served and sacrificed for the United States of America.



See Photos: <https://www.facebook.com/campbellveteransmemorial>.



## AARP

By Margaret Schieck, Co-President

Happy Father's Day to all Dads, Grandfathers, Godfathers, and all who fill those shoes as a Father Figure. Enjoy your day.

This month we also get to celebrate Flag Day, Juneteenth, the First Day of Summer, and many graduations, weddings and anniversaries.

In May, our AARP Chapter once again participated in the glasses sorting and cleaning event sponsored by the Campbell/West San Jose Chapter of the Lions Club at the Bascom Ave. VISTA Center. The one-millionth pair of donated eyeglasses was processed at this event!

Our scheduled speaker for May unfortunately broke her leg and was unable to attend our meeting. However, Penny Phillips, a docent at the Japanese-American History Museum, graciously stepped in to fill the slot. Penny introduced us all to this relatively unknown gem in our own backyard!

On May 22nd, AARP resumed partial sponsorship of the monthly Senior Safari walks at Happy Hallow. They are open to every one for free on the fourth Thursday of the month, from May through October. Free parking and admission are available for Senior Citizens between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Reservations are being made through our revised tour

committee for a New Mexico trip in November at the June meeting.

Our June presenter will be Kerry Perkins from the Campbell Museums; she will tell us about a spy in Campbell. It should be intriguing.

Campbell Area Chapter 5151 of AARP meets on the third Tuesday of each month in Room Q80 of the Campbell Community Center. Coffee, chat and browsing the Treasure Chest items and Book Table start at 9:15 and the formal meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. Membership is open to both non-residents and residents of Campbell. We hope to see you on June 17th.

Nearly 300 people attended the May 22nd celebration where we recognized the outstanding individuals whose dedication and impact truly stood out this year. Each school's administrator presented their 2024-25 Teacher of the Year, Classified Employee of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year, describing their

**Diana Duarte, Capri Elementary**  
As a Behavior Specialist, Diana plays a vital role in supporting students and staff. Her calm, practical approach and unwavering dedication foster growth, resilience, and a "we can" spirit throughout the school.



contributions to their school community.

With so many exceptional nominees, it wasn't easy for the District leadership to choose just one person for each category—but three individuals rose to the top to represent our entire district this year.

• **District Volunteer of the Year: Kathy Hawkes, Village School**

For more than a decade, Kathy has given her time and energy in countless ways—from field trip coordination to leading the PTA. Her inclusive leadership and strong partnerships with staff and families have helped create a connected, welcoming school community.

• **District Classified Employee of the Year:**

• **District Teacher of the Year: Pati Curiel, Blackford Elementary**

With over 30 years in CUSD, Pati has built a classroom where students feel seen, supported, and challenged. Her passion for education and commitment to student success make her a standout educator and leader.

The Superintendent also acknowledged two school administrators—**Melissa Rojek and Sarah Williams**—for receiving Administrator of the Year awards from the local chapter of the Association of California School Administrators.

Please join us in congratulating these exceptional professionals for their outstanding contributions to our schools and community!



# Travel Documentation – what you need to know

Domestically you will need a REAL ID starting May 7, 2025, the federal government will be requiring a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, state-issued enhanced driver's license, or another form of ID (such as passport) to board a domestic flight. The REAL ID Act will be enforced by the Department of Homeland Security and TSA.

Passports are required for international travel. Here is some important information about passports.

### How long is my US passport valid?

If your US passport was issued when you were 16 years old or older, your passport is valid for 10 years. If your US passport was issued when you were 15 years old or younger, your passport is valid for 5 years.

### How long must my passport be valid for international travel?

Most countries require that a passport be valid for at least six months beyond the completion of a trip. If your passport expires sooner than that, you must apply to renew your passport.

### How many blank passport pages do I need to meet entrance requirements and what is considered a 'blank' passport page?

Passports must have enough blank pages to accommodate entry and exit immigration stamps for each country of travel. At least one visa page in your passport is required for each visa. Most travel visas that are stamped into your passport require an entire blank visa page. A 'blank' visa page must be clean, clear, and not show ink or stains from any other pages in the passport.

NEW: If traveling to the United Kingdom, you must get an ETA. Applying is quick and hassle-free—follow the link

to the ETA form. <https://www.etastravel.com>.

The United Kingdom ETA is granted through an online application system. It was introduced to simplify the processes for citizens of eligible countries who want to travel for short-term stays. It can be obtained by completing a simple and straightforward online application form. Applicants must provide their travel information. Once approved, it is valid for a total of 2 years. It allows the holder to visit the UK multiple times during its validity.

Getting through the security line at a US airport can be a real hassle. Get TSA Pre-Check so you can go through security lines without taking off shoes, belts or light jackets and keep electronics and 3-1-1 liquids in your bag. It is a quick process 1) apply on-line, 2) visit an enrollment location, 3) get your

Known Traveler Number to add to flight information. For more information go to <https://www.tsa.gov/precheck>.

When returning home your time is valuable. Global Entry is a U.S. Customs and Border Protection program that allows expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the United States.

### How Does the Global Entry Program Work?

When you arrive at the airport after a return international flight, proceed to an Global Entry kiosk, present your machine-readable passport or U.S. permanent resident card, place their fingertips on the scanner for fingerprint verification, and make a customs declaration. The kiosk issues a transaction receipt and directs you to baggage claim and the exit.

Travelers must be pre-approved for the Global Entry program. All applicants undergo a rigorous background check and interview before enrollment. With the Global Entry program you automatically get the TSA Precheck included.

# Yoga can be a Lifestyle!

By Jayson Hemp

Did you know that you don't have to be flexible to practice yoga? It's true. Contrary to what you may see on social media or TV, almost anyone can access some form of it regardless of your fitness level, body type, or age. More importantly, you may wonder whether yoga is for you or why would you even want to attempt it?

There are many benefits from the practice. Some people say that yoga helps them relax and feel calmer afterwards or helps them sleep better. Others like the community aspect by making new friends that may encourage each other in class. In any case, the mental and physical benefits are plentiful. In fact, doctors and physical therapists have prescribed yoga as a part of a rehabilitation program from injury or surgery, as well as to help manage stress or to have some form of physical activity.

It can certainly help increase your range of motion, especially if your body feels tight or restrictive. When we are in the same position for long periods of time such as sitting, our body adapts to that position as being our default state. That's why sometimes you may feel "stiff" when you stand up and start to move around. More importantly, practicing yoga can help get you tuned into your body, improve balance and coordination. This may be of particular interest to older adults in helping to minimize the chances of falling, as well as to stay active and improve quality of life.

to practice it periodically during my corporate tech career. I found that it helped me manage the stress and anxiety that comes from the daily grind, deal with pressure from job responsibilities, and broaden my perspective in life. I also found that it complimented my outdoor running and bicycling activities. My husband found his tennis games improved if he practices yoga beforehand.

There are a variety of modalities, styles and lineages from challenging to restful. Heated and non-heated. Additionally, each instructor brings a unique style to the practice. If you are looking for something less challenging but still relaxing, look for classes with "gentle" or "basic" or "restorative" in the title or description. If you try one style and it doesn't vibe with you, I encourage you to try another style or instructor. We are fortunate to have many studios in the Bay Area such as Breathe Together Yoga (14107 Winchester Blvd), which provides over 80 different classes 7 days a week of various styles. They've been rated one of the best yoga studios by Metro Silicon Valley for several years in a row.

If you'd like a primer before trying yoga for the first time, I suggest searching for "Sun Salutation" on the Internet for some common poses in a typical movement-based class. Or search for "Chair yoga" for something lighter. Try something new and invite a friend!

*(Please consult with your doctor before pursuing any new form of exercise.)*

I discovered yoga during my college days and continued



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## COUNTRY WOMAN'S CLUB OF CAMPBELL

The Scholarship Awards are given to Boyton, Branham, Del Mar, Leigh, Prospect and Westmont High Schools. These awards are for their outstanding academic achievements while endearing hardships or current difficulties they overcame and achieved success.

Andrew Ordanio recently began his career in pilot school at Reid-Hillview Airport and will graduate as a Senior soon.



Stressed out? Can't Sleep? Try Yoga!



**Jayson Hemp**

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(Check website for class schedule)



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Molly Gallatin  
Member since 2024



**KILLROY PEST CONTROL**  
Matt Lara  
Member since 1966



**DOUBLETREE BY HILTON**  
Jonathan Macias  
Member since 1989



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## Money Empowerment *by Jill*



### Low-Cost Summer Activities *Fun in the Sun Without Breaking the Bank*

Summer is a season filled with sunshine, fun, and opportunities for adventure. But as enjoyable as it is, it can also become expensive. The good news? You don't need a big budget to make the most of the warm months. Here are some low-cost ideas to help you enjoy summer to the fullest without spending a fortune.

#### 1. Outdoor Adventures

##### Hiking:

Hit the trails! Hiking is a free and healthy way to enjoy the great outdoors. Find local parks or nature reserves and take in the scenery solo or with friends and family. Many areas also have hiking clubs for those who enjoy group activities.

##### Picnics in the Park:

There's something special about dining outside. Pack a homemade lunch, grab a blanket, and head to your nearest park for a relaxing afternoon.

##### Beach Days:

Live near the coast or a lake? A beach day is an affordable way to have fun in the sun. Bring your own snacks, sunscreen, and beach games to keep costs low.

#### 2. Local Events and Festivals

##### Community Events:

Check your town's events calendar for free or low-cost happenings. Outdoor concerts, art walks, farmers' markets, and street fairs are great options for families and individuals alike.

##### Free Museum Days:

Many museums offer free or discounted admission on certain days. Whether it's art, history, or science, it's a great way to beat the heat and learn something new.

##### Library Programs:

Local libraries often host free summer programming, including book clubs, craft workshops, story time for kids, and movie nights.

#### 3. DIY Projects and Hobbies

##### Gardening:

No green thumb required—start small! Even a few potted

herbs on your balcony can be a fun and rewarding project.

##### Creative Hobbies:

Try your hand at painting, crafting, knitting, or even upcycling old furniture. These hobbies are often inexpensive to start and can lead to hours of enjoyment.

##### Home Cooking:

Explore new recipes in your own kitchen. Cooking meals at home is not only budget-friendly but also a great way to spend quality time with loved ones.

#### 4. Budget-Friendly Travel

##### Staycations:

Rediscover your hometown! Visit local attractions, take walking tours, or explore neighborhoods you've never been to before.

##### Road Trips:

Short road trips are a flexible and cost-effective way to travel. Plan scenic routes and pack your own food to cut down on expenses.

##### Camping:

Whether it's in the wilderness or your own backyard, camping is a fun and frugal getaway. Pitch a tent, roast marshmallows, and enjoy the great outdoors.

#### 5. Fun at Home

##### Backyard Fun:

Transform your backyard into a summer oasis. Add fairy lights, set up a hammock, or even create a mini splash zone for the kids.

##### Movie Nights:

Create a home theater experience with popcorn, cozy blankets, and your favorite films. Invite friends and make it a weekly tradition.

##### Games and Sports:

Board games, card games, and backyard sports like badminton or cornhole offer hours of entertainment. Get the neighbors involved and make it a community event.

##### The Bottom Line:

You don't need to spend a lot to enjoy summer. With a bit of planning and creativity, you can make lasting memories without straining your budget.

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**CITY NEWS** *By Sergio Lopez*

**VTA Agreement Ratified By Union**

I am thrilled to share the news that the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) has reached a contract agreement with the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 265, the bargaining unit which includes over 1,500 workers, including bus and light-rail operators, mechanics, and more, at VTA. The contract was overwhelmingly approved by roughly 70% of union workers on the evening of June 3rd. This brings to a close a tumultuous period for VTA and the Santa Clara County residents who use our services.

As Chair of VTA, I worked during this period to ensure negotiations continued despite roadblocks and challenges on both sides. The final agreement locks in the agreement for a four-year period and includes a 4%, 3.5%, 3%, and 4% increase in pay over each of the respective years of the contract. It also includes increased dental benefits, VTA dropping its legal challenge to the union's strike, and a compromise agreement on arbitration which was a primary concern for the union.

The final step which remains is for the VTA Board of Directors to officially ratify and adopt the contract, which I expect will take place expeditiously.

I stepped into the role of Chair precisely because I understood there were deep tensions and turmoil within VTA. Whoever did so would face responsibility for challenges which go back years. The difficulties during the bargaining process, which resulted in the first-ever strike in VTA's history, were symptoms, not the cause, of these underlying issues. They will not have a single easy fix, but rather required sustained

focus over time.

At the same time, despite these challenges, I am confident that the board has kept the public interest first and foremost throughout this difficult process. VTA, like nearly every other public agency in our region, faces budgetary tensions which are resulting in tightening our belts. These fiscal realities, and the need for budgetary discipline, constrained the ability to meet every one of the union's demands. Nonetheless, I am confident that the contract offered is fair, competitive, and will protect the public interest by assuring stability and budgetary predictability over the coming four-year period. I look forward to working together with management, workers, and our riders and residents to ensure a strong future for VTA and our region.

Senator Josh Becker supports SB 79 to support housing near transit in California

Also on June 3rd, the California Senate voted on SB 79, a major piece of legislation which would make it easier to build housing near major transit stops.

I signed on as an early supporter of this legislation in an individual capacity (not representing the city) given my focus on reducing housing costs, common sense streamlining of regulations, and supporting the climate and our environment through growing public transit usage while reducing congestion on our roads. Previously, I was the lead witness for the bill in Sacramento, testifying before the Senate Housing Committee. I took the opportunity to represent our community's

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**DISTRICT NEWS**



*By Susan Ellenburg*

If there are children in your lives, imagine them at this moment – happy, playful, smiling, not a care in the world except for their next adventure. Think about how much you love them and what you would do to ensure their safety and well-being.

Now remember yourself as a child – what made you feel safe and loved or, what you would have needed to feel those things. Close your eyes for a moment and remember your youth, when you had a lifetime ahead of you.

Finally, imagine that child you love – or the child you were – being harmed, ignored, hurt, belittled, assaulted or worse. The thought alone is viscerally painful.

Child abuse is one of the cruelest and yet far-reaching health crises that plagues our society. It impacts all segments of our community, from the wealthiest to poorest, although those struggling economically tend to see greater instances of child abuse. Child abuse knows no race, no culture or religion – it only seeks to harm the most vulnerable among us.

Abuse is not just a slap, kick or punch. It includes name-calling, belittling, shaming, rejection, emotional manipulation, sexual contact or innuendo, withholding love, ignor-

ing, isolating or threatening children are all forms of abuse.

Each leaves a mark, whether a bruise on the body, or a scar on the mind. It may never heal.

And a child that is abused is more likely to become an abuser themselves as adults. We must break that cycle. It can be done with the right help.

Investing in the safety and well-being of children is critical for children today and for their future success as members of our adult community.

I hope today reminds us not to grow complacent, not to decide that funding both prevention and intervention aren't important. I hope it reminds us to create conditions that protect

against abuse or neglect even beginning, by supporting healthy pregnancies, stable family housing, access to health care and childcare, workplace safety, community violence prevention, hate-crime prevention and anti-isolation measures.

It takes a village not only to raise a child, but to protect one. Let's be that village here in SCC.

*Supervisor Susan Ellenburg and the four other members of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors took part in a flag raising April 8, 2025, as a way to bring attention to child abuse and its impacts on society, communities and families. To reach the Child Abuse and Neglect Center, call 833-722-5437.*

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**City Council & Planning Commission News**



*By Adam Buchbinder*

Imagine the future. Imagine Campbell in twenty-five years, in 2050. What will it be like here? How will we and our descendants live? What will our city look like? Decisions we make now, both at the local and state levels, will determine the answer there. I'd like to imagine what I think of as a good future, based on some things we're working on.

In 2050, my daughter lives in town. She's in her twenties, and has an apartment in the neighborhood. She borrows a car when she needs one, but she prefers to take the bus or a bike-share to get around. (The Multimodal Plan this year provides for that.) Down-

town is a paseo, a fully pedestrianized walk with apartments above the shops and farmer's market we know and love. (SB 79, headed to the Senate floor as of this writing, would legalize apartments near our VTA stations.)

Campbell has grown in the intervening decades. People seeking opportunity from other states and other nations, as well as our own kids, swell our ranks. It's common to see a "bike bus" of kids riding together to school in the morning, and back home in the afternoons. (This is also part of the Multimodal Plan.)

It's affordable to live here. The rent is low enough that it's not

a real concern. The city looks the same in some ways—we still have beautiful parks and open spaces, and people still walk and bike on the creek trail—but very different in others. Houses on large lots away from downtown have been gradually redeveloped into cottage courts. (SB 1123, in effect this summer, legalizes this.) Apartment buildings cluster around our train stations. (As provided for by SB 79.)

Small businesses flourish, and are easier to start up. "Accessory commercial units" and home kitchens lead to small storefronts on residential streets, and small convenience stores on more corners.

(The Planning Commission, along with the Economic Development office, has been removing discretion from conditional use permits, and the county legalized "Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations" in 2023.) Everything is closer, and more convenient, and cozier.

Daily life is just plain nice. There's public art everywhere (our Civic Improvement Commission works on that), there are enough people to justify all sorts of niche markets and odd shops, and homelessness is a distant memory. (A wide variety of streamlining and upzoning bills currently in the

legislature would make housing much more abundant.) There are more people here, but it doesn't feel crowded, just lively. We're not competing with each other for parking or space in traffic, we're enjoying each other's company. It's a good place to be young; there are plenty of friends. It's a good place to grow old; there's plenty of help.

Adam Buchbinder is a member of the Campbell Planning Commission. Opinions expressed here are his alone, not those of the Commission or the City. Contact the Campbell Planning Department at [planning@campbellca.gov](mailto:planning@campbellca.gov).



## Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery Campbell's Historical Gem Adds New Cuisine and Live Music!

If you have lived in Campbell or near it, or perhaps know someone who does, then you have enjoyed meeting friends for food, drink, or sports games at this popular recreational place.

Whether Rock Bottom has been one of your spots recently or for decades, from locals to tourists and festival goers, it is one of the community's favorite places. It is well-known for its great location and atmosphere, friendly neighborhood bar, gourmet eatery, and award-winning craft brewery. This place received its name because it was started and developed on the bottom floor of the Prudential building. The logo with the rock is from its origin in Denver, Colorado, and the Rock Logo that was used along with the name Rock Bottom. According to Kent Wheat, a Brewmaster for 17 years and the R. B. Brew Master for 8 years, shared the history of their name. Kent has a well-rounded and very knowledgeable skill in making the brewery's favorites with quality. Beer has helped make R. B. successful over the decades. More recently, the success with IPAs has been seen more than pilsner, lager, or ales in previous years, and the latter two have become less popular

now. Also, people's choices of libation have changed over the years.

The Kelly Root Group is its newest owner. They are now utilizing the popularity for a full-service dining experience with Adrian, the executive chef, who came up from busboy, line person, cook, to chef. Adrian has a passion for food and works to create popular new dishes for the bar



food and restaurant menus. So far, he has just worked on creating four of the newer dishes, such as a hearty and tasty gumbo.

Kelly Root Group is the fourth corporation over the decades to see the value of owning this well-loved Pruneyard hot spot. The charm is the on-site brewery as part of the draw for

the bar and sports fans. The other is my favorite foods and professional, friendly staff. The personality of this dining experience, along with the history of the employees and patrons, has been continuous for decades, making it easy to see on certain nights why this is a favorite hot spot all year round. Margaret Bradley is the General Manager and driving force behind the newest events, creating the Open Mic and the Industry Nights that are set to create welcoming vibes. She also has a love for the place, like her co-workers do. Margaret worked her way from a server to her current position. Mike Sandvig, a bartender of 27 years, has helped to keep the patrons satisfied.

Happy Hour is 4-6 pm daily and one of the best deals for beer at \$2. There are Happy Hour Food Specials, including Monday Night, a Steak Dinner for \$19.95. This goes along with Open Mic Night, where you can hear local musicians share their talents. Wednesday is Industry Night for all those in the hospitality and service industries. The Beer Garden outside is very popular for private parties or local business events, or a Meet and Greet Night for friends with pets.

### ORCHARD CITY

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shared between songs, and where music becomes the thread that weaves the community together. For over 30 years, it has stood as a testament to Campbell's commitment to the arts and its belief in the power of music to unite us.

As the Green strides into its fourth decade, the melodies that have defined it continue to evolve, promising new bands, fresh voices, and countless more nights of local harmony. Orchards may no longer frame the city's landscape, but the roots of music here run deep, ensuring Orchard City Green remains a cher-

ished symphony in the heart of Campbell, California. This year the music series runs for 8 weeks and begins on July 10th with 'Smokin' Slice of Mojo' and runs through August 28th with 'The Houserockers.' See the full concert schedule on page 13 or go to [www.campbellca.gov/summerconcerts](http://www.campbellca.gov/summerconcerts).

## JUNE MOVIES

By Sam Wilson



### Sinners – B+

Writer/director Ryan Coogler (Black Panther) and Michael B. Jordan (Creed) re-team for an impressive southern vampire tale. Set in the 1932 Mississippi Jim Crow era, twin brothers throw a bash after returning to their hometown, unaware of the evil awaiting them. Strongly reminiscent of "From Dusk Till Dawn" and HBO's Louisiana-set "True Blood", Coogler wisely takes time setting up characters rather than springing into action. Jack O'Connell (Eden Lake) and Hailee Steinfeld (True Grit) are superb.

### Mission: Impossible - The Final Reckoning – B-

The self-billed final mission falls short despite breathtaking action thanks to an unremarkable villain and less than thrilling narrative. Following "Mission: Impossible - Dead Reckoning Part One", Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise, "Top Gun") races against time to stop AI from changing the world. Writer/director Christopher McQuarrie's (Jack Reacher) fourth entry is dragged down by the 170-minute runtime and endless callbacks to past films.

### Thunderbolts\* – C+

Marvel's newest is a safe orthodox attempt with flat humor coasting on a likable cast. A mix of former antagonists and antiheroes team up after realizing they'd been set up to eliminate each other. A middling product from TV and music video director Jake Schreier (Paper Towns) that does nothing particularly good nor bad. Starring Florence Pugh (Oppenheimer), Sebastian Stan (The Apprentice), Julia Louis-Dreyfus (HBO's "Veep"), David Harbour (Black Widow), Lewis Pullman (Top Gun: Maverick), and Wyatt Russell (Overlord).

### Final Destination: Bloodlines – B-

The latest resurrected horror franchise succeeds with strong humor and capably toying with expectations. A college student returns home seeking answers after being plagued by a violent recurring nightmare. Still possesses creative over-the-top deaths yet offers a fresh spin following a family marked by death instead of random individuals. Mostly anonymous cast with a few standout performances.

### Lilo & Stitch – C

Disney's opportune live-action remake of another

popular kids cartoon should mostly satisfy fans while detractors of the 2002 original will remain uninterested. A Hawaiian 6-year-old girl adopts a runaway alien mistaken for a dog, who helps her mend family issues. Loosely adapted albeit with minor questionable changes. Zach Galifianakis (The Hangover), Billy Magnussen (2019's "Aladdin"), Courtney B. Vance (Terminator Genisys), and Tia Carrere (Wayne's World) appear.

### Karate Kid: Legends – C+

Inoffensive effort piggy backing off the success of the popular show "Cobra Kai". A high school kung fu prodigy relocates with his mom (Ming-Na Wen, Disney's "The Mandalorian") to New York, meets a girl and runs afoul of the local karate champion. Goes through familiar "The Karate Kid" beats while attempting an unexpected subplot involving a former boxer (Joshua Jackson, "Urban Legend"). Ralph Macchio (The Outsiders) and Jackie Chan (2010's "The Karate Kid") return as mentors with smaller than anticipated roles.

### The Phoenician Scheme – B+

Writer/director Wes Anderson (The Grand Budapest Hotel) brings his trademark tone, dry humor and "A" game to his hilarious original black comedy. A wealthy businessman (Benicio Del Toro, "Sicario") travels to his investors to extract more money while reconnecting with his daughter. Anderson's customary sizable ensemble includes Tom Hanks (Asteroid City), Bryan Cranston (AMC's "Breaking Bad"), Benedict Cumberbatch (Doctor Strange) and more, yet the true scene-stealer is Michael Cera (Barbie).

### Until Dawn – C-

The clever hit horror game is adapted into a shoddy under-lit teen slasher. A group of friends become stuck in a time loop at a cabin in the woods where they must survive the night as a variety of threats await them. Director David F. Sandberg's (Shazam!, Lights Out) "Groundhog Day" and "Happy Death Day" riff fails on all fronts. Peter Stormare (Fargo) reprises his game character while the rest of the cast are stereotypical teenage unknowns.

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## CITY NEWS

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concerns and help shape the legislation from the inside.

Nonetheless, any major piece of impactful legislation will tend to bring controversy. I spoke with some elected leaders in the region who worried it would bring a one-size-fits-all approach to city planning. I voiced these concerns and worked to improve the legislation, resulting in greater flexibility for cities and clarifications of language to ensure that environmental protections remained in place.

Yet the controversy meant that the passage of the bill was not assured. I had thoughtful conversations on the legislation with Senator Josh Becker, who represents Campbell in the state legislature. Senator Becker's perspective was a nuanced one, and he took the opportunity to open up discussions with the bill's author. Ultimately, his vote of the bill was a profile in courage, essential to getting SB 79 across the finish line in a close vote. I thank him for his visionary leadership and thoughtful commitment to representing our community.

This column is written by Mayor Sergio Lopez in an individual capacity and not on behalf of the City Council, city staff, the City of Campbell, or VTA.

## Spring Concert 2025

On Monday, May 19th, the Campbell Express Band, a community band (named after the previous iteration of this newspaper) held its Spring Concert at Del Mar High School. At the end of the performance, the band stopped director Bill Burkhead



Bill Burkhead - Music teacher at Del Mar High School

to tell him that it wasn't over; there was one more selection still to come.

The band had commissioned a work by local composer Ron Miller in recognition of Mr. Burkhead's 25 years of dedication to teaching music and theater arts at Del Mar High School. Entitled "We Will Boldly Go" (Burkhead is a huge Star Trek fan) they surprised him by performing the composition! The composer, several music teachers and other friends joined the ensemble in the premiere of this piece. Many members of the CUHSD community were also

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Wednesday, June 4  
6:00pm  
**Ghosts of Calico**

Friday, June 6  
7:30pm **Lencat / John Franks Birthday Bash**

Saturday, June 7  
7:30pm  
**Cadillac Jack**

Wednesday, June 11  
7:00pm  
**First Call**

Friday, June 13  
7:30pm  
**Shakedown**

Saturday, June 14  
7:30pm  
**The MIXX**

Wednesday, June 18  
6:00pm **Kurt, Johnny and Jim Bruno**

Friday, June 20  
7:30pm  
**Otilia Donaire Band**

Saturday, June 21  
7:30pm  
**Legally Blue**

Wednesday, June 25  
6:00pm  
**Acoustic Showcase**

Friday, June 27  
7:30pm  
**DRIVE**

Saturday, June 28  
7:30pm  
**Blues Rockers**

Wednesday, July 2  
6:00pm  
**Ghosts of Calico**

Friday, July 4  
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Saturday, July 5  
7:30pm  
**Joint Chiefs**

Sunday, July 6  
5:00pm  
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Wednesday, July 9  
7:00pm  
**First Call**

Friday, July 11  
7:30pm  
**FishHook**

Saturday, July 12  
7:30pm  
**Otilia Donaire Band**

Wednesday, July 16  
6:00pm **Kurt, Johnny and Jim Bruno**

Friday, July 18  
7:30pm  
**Engine Room**

Wednesday, July 23  
6:00pm  
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Friday, July 25  
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**Whole Shot**

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## Serial Sushi Bandit Nabbed, Sushi Randy on a Roll By Benjamin Noel



A serial dine-and-dasher terrorized local businesses of at least two Santa Clara County cities the last few months. He took his pick of cuisine, made his way inside to sit down, order his food and eat to his heart's content. But when the bill came due, the man slyly made his exit without a trace, time and time again. This man, not able to resist his favorite digs, often double-dipped, hitting the San Jose and Campbell Sushi Confidential locations multiple times. The employees grew wise to his scheme, knowing he would strike again. They reviewed security footage inside the restaurant and posted a still image of this serial sushi bandit for employees to be on the lookout. At this point, the man had walked out on hundreds of dollars of unpaid tabs in their restaurants alone. One day, he made his way back to the Campbell location. While taking his order, a server recognized the man, as she had served him before when he had, unsurprisingly, left his tab unpaid. The employees called the owner, who made his way over to the restaurant, along with Campbell's finest. In the meantime, the employees did their best to keep the culprit in the restaurant, but he felt his luck

running out. When the bill came, the culprit excused himself to the restroom, hoping to dash out of the back door. There, he met an employee who turned him away. Panicked, the man ran out the front door, and by the time the authorities had arrived, he was nowhere to be seen. The PD circled downtown for the next 20 minutes without finding anyone matching his description. Randy Musterer, also known as Sushi Randy, however, was adamant to catch the man who had cost his business hundreds, and continued driving around wider Campbell. Upon heading down Winchester, he spotted a man fitting the description not too far from Coach's. He called up the PD, and they confirmed the identity of the man as the serial sushi bandit. The Campbell resident was cited and has a court date. The Santa Clara County DA are hoping to stack the charges from his dine-and-dashes in San Jose and Campbell to build up a stronger case. Details on the number of restaurants and

dollar amounts of unpaid tabs are still unclear, but may very well have passed the \$1000 mark from Sushi Confidential alone. This development comes up amidst Sushi Randy's plan for Sushi Confidential to bring their criminally tasty rolls to the main drag of the vibrant Downtown Willow Glen. Sushi Randy has been preparing rolls for years, even as an employee of Yuki Sushi from 2010-2012. He opened Sushi Confidential 13 years ago, sharing his take on Japanese cuisine with the people of the South Bay. The unique San Jose location features a large dance floor, where people eat, drink, and then burn off the calories as they enjoy the San Jose nightlife. The Willow Glen location, opening on Lincoln Street, will be much more like Campbell's, as it is similarly nestled in the heart of a cozy downtown. It will serve food in a standard restaurant environment, close to local bars and venues. Those who frequent Yuki Sushi will be happy to learn that, on top of all the unique offerings of Sushi Confidential, some favorites from the current Yuki Sushi will continue to be offered by the same familiar faces that have been preparing and serving Yuki's customers for years. Once the transfer of the Liquor License is finalized and the current employees are trained up, Sushi Confidential in Willow Glen is aiming for a mid-July grand opening.



## Campbell's Boogie Music Festival 2025 Kicks Off Summer

By Chris Jackson  
"Mayor of Silicon Valley"

Thousands come to eat, dance, listen, shop and take in Campbell's best every May, and the weekend of May 18th and 19th I saw many of you at this year's "Boogie Music Festival." The best local bands and artists performed, and among

Water Tower gives a big thumbs up/hang loose to the Campbell Chamber of Commerce for a great time!



As the festival came to an end Sunday night, I even saw the headquarters of



them, I had the pleasure of introducing and jammin'

this very publication! You can pick up a copy of each issue (while supplies last) in front of the Campbell Press office in downtown Campbell: 334 E. Campbell Ave. © Chris Jackson can be heard on 98.5 KFOX The South Bay's Classic Rock, weekdays 9am-2pm



some guitar with "First Call" performing on the 98.5 KFOX Main Stage! The weather was perfect, and Campbell's own Water Tower mascot was all smiles greeting everyone, and no doubt enjoying the smell of all the incredible food.





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## DIG IT...



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By Sharon McCray, UCCE Master Gardener

### Fertilizer

The iris were just amazing these past weeks. Impressive with their sturdy leaves, brilliant flags and dependable tubers. Year after year they bring such joy to any space, albeit brief. They are always a surprise. Iris' long flowerless time allows me to forget what outstanding contributions they make to my garden each spring.

I can so easily get distracted by color. The varied palette of nature's imagination is always a surprise. New colors and varieties are being hybridized almost daily. As the fashion world lets us know what is "in" this year, our garden aficionados do much the same. We are helpless.

Adding colorful summer vegetables to a dedicated flower bed can yield amazing discov-

eries. Personally, I am not a big fan of eggplant, but I do agree, the fruits are magnificent and striking while the foliage adds a bit of spice to any space.

This year another old friend has taken over an entire bed - borage. The herb can be used in many dishes and the flowers certainly brighten up almost any salad. They have become a staple for our bees.

We have noticed certain insect eating birds frequenting our bee yard and devouring bees all day long. Honey bees have a relatively short life span so Housekeeper bees make sure the hive is spotlessly clean and remove any thing that does not fit their idea of clean, so dead bees litter the ground.

Mother Nature is pretty clever, making sure that everything

that touches everything else, stays in balance. Talk about a master plan. She is doing her outright best to encourage survival of the species, all species. I think about that song we learned in grade school about the toe bone connected to the foot bone and so on. It is all linked together.

It is time to help her out by planting something new in your garden. Annuals are always nice because if they don't work for you they will be gone before year's end. Perennials can be a commitment but they can become another dependable addition to your space. It was a surprise to see all that arugula pop up this year.

It's time to add some fertilizer to your soil. The numbers on

the fertilizer container represent NPK. As a reminder, the first number on the fertilizer package is for Nitrogen - necessary for green growth and is especially important to grasses and corn crops. The middle number is for Phosphorus, a key nutrient for fruit and flowers. This time of year, it is always the biggest number I look for when fertilizing. After all, who wants an eight foot tall tomato plant with no fruit? Finally, that last number is for Potash. Potash helps with root growth and protection from cold nights.

In a balanced fertilizer, the numbers are all the same, as in 10-10-10. If the numbers total more than 20 the product is almost always synthetic. That makes no difference to the

plant but if your goal is to be totally organic, look for fertilizer with numbers more like 5-10-5.

Micronutrients are also essential. If you have issues with dark brown spots on the bottoms of your tomatoes, make sure they are getting enough manganese. Calcium will help prevent blossom end rot. Just remember that when daytime temperatures exceed 90 degrees or nighttime temperatures fall below 55, tomatoes will not set fruit.

Well, good luck with your summer garden. I can't wait for my first home grown tomato. At least I've planted enough. Every year I make a promise to control my over planting and every year I fail. I guess it could be worse. Enjoy!

## WEST COAST CHEF

### NEW CHIC TESSORA WINE BAR ROCKS CAMPBELL WINE SCENE



By Bill Peil

For 14 years, Tessora has been a downtown Campbell's go-to wine bar and restaurant. Under new ownership now, partners in life and business, James and Adelia have created a more contemporary vibe: "We really wanted an upscale restaurant ambience within a relaxed



vibe." remarked Adelia. She has been a Campbell business owner in the Courtyard for 15 years, and they both wear Campbell pride on their sleeve. The vibe is fashionably stylish, with wine selections, beverages, and cuisine to match. The light fixtures and chandelier, alone, are worth a visit. On a hot summer day, quench your thirst with a Frose' (13\$) a delightfully slushy concoction with rose wine. They make a Sangria Blanco, or rojo (15\$) that is a blend of wine and fresh juices. There is a great selection of Spritzers, brews, ciders, and Kombucha.

Our delightful server, Holly Kimura, started us with a Taste of Tessora's, which is three 2 ounce pours of rotating Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and

Cabernet. These are seasonal and change on occasion.

Treat yourself to the Charcuterie board (30\$) a masterpiece of three artisanal cheeses, wine cured salami, prosciutto, fresh grapes, strawberries, toasted walnuts, dried apricots, a Croatian fig jam, and plenty of toasts and crackers. On this visit, there was bleu, a brie, blueberry goat, and Vino Rosso Antigliano. This shares very well for 2-4 people. On the light side, try the Champagne Grove Salad (14\$) which consists of spring greens, with fresh apple, pear, candied pecans, gorgonzola cheese, with a champagne vinaigrette. Must try is the Burrata crostini (12\$) consists of creamy burrata paired with sweet cherry tomatoes, fresh basil, and a delicate balsamic glaze. There are NY steak skewers (20\$) grilled the way you like them with a velvety demi-glaze, Greek



chicken skewers (15\$) with a lemon honey glaze and a side of tzatziki. Also, the very popular Tri-tip sliders (17\$) are layered with crisp pickles and a smooth horseradish aioli. Yum...!

There are many exciting things in the works. Stay tuned!! There is an exciting new wine club, there is a Sunday brunch that goes on Farmers market Sunday featuring egg dishes, breakfast burritos, sliders, and French toast. On the wine side, there are about 15



reds, by glass or bottle. They have 7 whites, a half dozen sparklers, and 3 roses. In the evening, they play classic, old, black and white films on their pretty white wall. Last night, there was Casablanca, Sabrina, and Raging Bull. Also nice, they are open 7 nights at 4pm., a rarity in Campbell. Overall, it was a wonderful experience. James, Adelia, Holly, and Monica, all treated us like we were in their home. Come check out Campbell's chic, new vibe!! Outdoor seating is available, as well. Host your next party here.. Cheers, Billy...



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## Coach's Corner



By Jay Harnden

### SUMMER FUN

So here we are again, another summer staring us directly in the face. Have you made plans? It will come and go quickly...as summer always does. I can remember when I was a kid it seemed that the warm, school-free season would never arrive. And when it finally did, it seemed to be over before it began.

Reflecting on childhood memories, several aspects distinctly stand out. Notably, most kids were allowed to stay up late, which led to sleeping in. Vacation Bible school and various summer camps occupied several weeks of the vacation period. Once my wife and I had children, I understood the efforts my parents made to keep us engaged during the long summer days. Baseball games, including organized Little League and sandlot, as well as attending San Francisco Giants games, were common activities. Vacations were infrequent due to my parents' full-time jobs and limited financial resources. Sleepovers at the grandparents' house were frequent. I enjoyed going to work with

my grandfather, who was a plastering contractor; he would introduce me as his bodyguard. I got to hang out when the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum on Park Avenue was being built. I was impressed by the huge plaster columns and King Tut's tomb. As I grew older and gained more independence, I spent more time with friends. During my teenage years, I played in my first band, spending many hours rehearsing and performing at parties on some weekends. Visiting the DeAnza College Minolta planetarium for cosmic concert light shows was also an enjoyable activity. And I've got several stories from those adventures that I'm unable to share here.

When my own kids were younger, I would sometimes take them with me on my bread route. It wasn't easy for them to get up at 3am and hit the road, but it was an adventure they enjoyed and have fond memories of. Hot chocolate was a treat that happened often.

If you're planning on summer activities, and don't have a

ton of money, just be creative when figuring out what to do to get through the summer months. Spending time at Frontier Village was always a great time for me as a kid. There was always the Santa Cruz beach boardwalk to look forward to.

Sometimes it's necessary for a kid to do some type of school-work during their vacation. I learned this when I was in the fourth grade and had to spend much of my summer practicing my penmanship...do they even have that anymore?

The bottom line is this; don't try to keep up with the Joneses. Stay within your means. Don't go spending money that you don't have trying to provide your kids with expensive vacations just because other people are doing it. I guarantee you that you can make memories that they will cherish if you put some thought, time, and effort into figuring out what you're going to do with the abundance of free time you'll have ahead of you.

Jay Harnden, CCC, CCLC  
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## Books Inc.

By Drew Howard and Christine Cargnoni



Happy June and congratulations to all recent graduates! We're preparing to celebrate a summer of reading here at Books Inc. Campbell. We have exciting selections to celebrate Juneteenth, Father's Day, and Pride Month!

We will also be welcoming author Sandhya Acharya to discuss her new nonfiction picture book *About Living Bridges*. This picture book shares the story of a bridge in Meghalaya, India that was woven from the roots of ficus trees! Join us Sunday, June 8th at 2:00pm to hear more about the book and meet the author.

Our selection of Juneteenth picture books includes a variety of gorgeous artwork. *The Night Before Freedom* with words by Glenda Armand and pictures by Corey Barksdale uses a familiar rhyming scheme and expressionist paintings to share the history of Juneteenth. It also includes an afterword with more details about the holiday—perfect for starting a discussion with your little one! Another notable picture book is *A Flag for Juneteenth* by Kim Taylor. This book features captivating quilted and embroidered images. Young and old readers will be moved by the story of a young girl celebrating freedom. *Let's Celebrate Juneteenth* with words by Tonya Abari and art by Tabitha Brown is a great board

book to introduce our youngest readers to the holiday.

June also means Pride Month! Our booksellers have a handful of highly anticipated new releases focusing on LGBTQ+ identities. *Trans History: A Graphic Novel* by Alex L. Combs and Andrew Eakett is a nonfiction graphic novel by San Francisco authors! The comprehensive overview covers a vast timeline and will have something for everyone interested in learning more about diverse gender experiences. If you want to read more personal accounts conducted from hundreds of interviews, we recommend *So Many Stars: An Oral History of Trans, Nonbinary, Gender queer, and Two-Spirit People of Color* by Caro De Robertis.

For our Young Adult readers, releasing June 3rd is Amie Kaufman and Meagan Spooner's sapphic medieval fantasy, *Lady's Knight*. This sweet, daring tale follows a blacksmith's daughter posing as a knight and the lady who sponsors her to get out of an arranged marriage, and touches on themes of feminism, friendship, and strength. With high stakes, dragons, and a Sapphic romance, this book has it all!

Another YA novel perfect for Pride Month, released in paperback this past May, is Alice Oseman's *Loveless*. Originally published in 2020, *Loveless* follows Georgia Warr, an ardent and asexual college student who explores her sense of self and finds beauty in her sexuality. So often in Pride Month, we forget about the "A" in LGBTQIA+, and so we are thrilled this novel and its diverse representation has released in paperback just in time!

For our middle-aged readers, *Splinter and Ash*, a new release late last year by Marieke Nijkamp, follows a disabled princess and a nonbinary squire. Both viewed as outcasts in their medieval-inspired society, they prove that with determination, strength, and friendship, adversity can be overcome as they fight to save their kingdom. It's a well-written book with lovely disability and queer representation.

Lastly, we want to wish all the dads and father figures a happy Father's Day! If you're looking for a gift for the dad in your life, check out our selection of dad joke books! We also have *Dad Law* by Ally Probst and Joel Willis, which contains the rules of fatherhood every dad must know.

That's it for this month! We appreciate your support as we navigate Chapter 11 reorganization, and don't forget to check our website for book clubs and further events. Happy summer, Happy Pride, and stay cool.

## Join us as we celebrate Parks & Recreation Month in July!

Since 1985, people in the United States have celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation and to recognize the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation professionals - along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers - that maintain our country's local, state and community parks and recreation facilities.

**Touch A Truck (Tuesday, July 1)**  
CCC Parking Lot (near skatepark)  
9:30-11:30 am

**Free Recreation Swim (Saturday, July 5)**  
CCC Pool  
2:00-4:30 pm

**Kindness Rock Painting (Tuesday, July 8)**  
Q80 - Roosevelt Redwood Room  
3:00-5:00 pm

**Summer Concert (Thursday, July 10)**  
Orchard City Green  
6:30-8:00 pm

**Movie Night @ JDM (Friday, July 11)**  
John D. Morgan Park  
8:00-11:00 pm

**Artside - A Plein Air Event (Sunday, July 13)**  
Ainsley House Garden  
9:00-11:00 am

**Pups, Pops, & Cops (Wednesday, July 16)**  
Q84 - Mary Campbell Room  
10:30 am-12:00 pm

**Summer Concert (Thursday, July 17)**  
Orchard City Green  
6:30-8:00 pm

**Free Day @ Ainsley House (Saturday, July 19)**  
Campbell Historical Museum & The Ainsley House  
11:00 am-3:00 pm

**Pickleball Tournament (Sunday, July 20)**  
AUX Gym  
Starts at 2 pm

**Summer Concert (Thursday, July 24)**  
Orchard City Green  
6:30-8:00 pm

**Day at the CCC (Saturday, July 26)**  
CCC Soccer Fields  
12:00-2:00 pm

**Adaptive Dis-Glow Dance (Wednesday, July 30)**  
Orchard City Banquet Hall  
7:00-9:00 pm

**Summer Concert (Thursday, July 31)**  
Orchard City Green  
6:30-8:00 pm

For more Information on these events and more for the Campbell Recreation Center.

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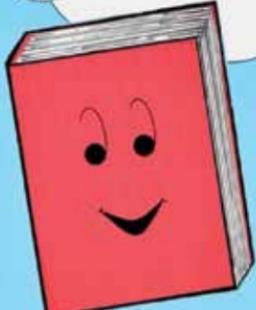
### SPRING CONCERT

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present. Mr. Burkhead said he was "Gob smacked" and thanked the band for the wonderful honor. He was presented with a copy of the music score to use with his students in the future.

Mr. Burkhead has one more year of teaching at Del Mar High School. He will be taking his Del Mar High School Symphonic Band on a trip to Carnegie Hall in April of 2026.

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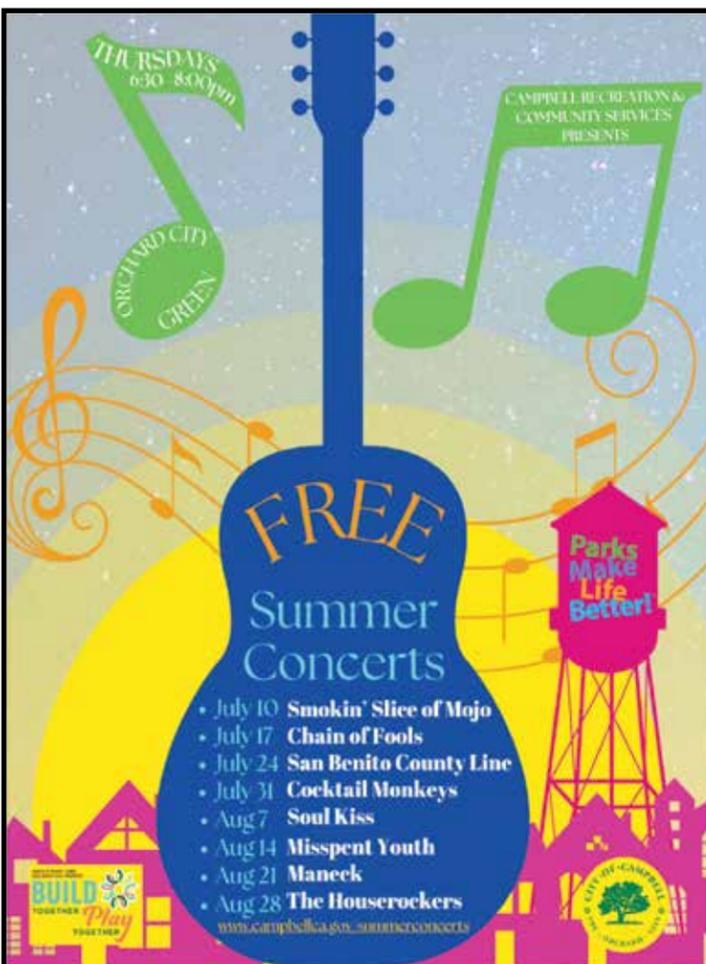


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# Campbell Crime Report



By Carol W. Gerwitz

**S. Bascom Ave.** (S) was causing a disturbance and was asked by the Reporting Party (RP) to leave the property. (S) threatened (RP) and was admonished by CPD. (S) returned to the property after the admonishment, and continued to make threats. Arrested: trespassing.

**Budd Ave.** (V) reported (S) threw her cell phone at him following a verbal argument. (V) desired prosecution, (S) is identified and at large.

**W. Hacienda Ave.** (V) clicked on a malicious link and had her accounts compromised and identity information stolen. (V)'s identity was then used to impersonate her and steal money.

**E. Hamilton Ave.** (S) was contacted and had hidden two meth pipes, a bag of Xanax, and a small container with meth residue behind a dumpster. Records check: (S) was on parole and had a warrant. Cited and released.

**S. Winchester Blvd.** (S) was contacted following a CVC violation and was discovered

to have an outstanding \$5,000 warrant out of San Mateo County. Cited and released with new court date.

**John Kirk Ct.** ASORP (Supervised Own Recognizance Program) search was conducted while (S) was detained. (S) was found to have suspected heroin, meth, drug paraphernalia and a large amount of cash on his person. In his residence were located a scale, pay/owe sheets, narcotics and PII not belonging to (S) or (O). (S) was also determined to be under the influence at the time of arrest. Booked.

**Lisa Way** Unknown (S) stole the wheels and tires from (V)'s vehicle.

**Almarida Dr.** Unknown (S) forced entry to (V)'s vehicle and stole tools.

**Budd Ave.** (V) reported (S) pushed, struck, and held her down during an argument. (V) had visible bruising to legs. Booked.

**Pollard Rd./York Ave.** Unknown (S) stole approximately 1,439 feet of copper wire from seven underground access boxes.

**Union Ave.** (S)s entered business by ripping off metal security gate and breaking glass window front, stole merchandise, then fled upon police arrival.

**Dell Ave.** Three unknown (S)s attempted to ram through the business roll up door. Unsuccessful, two of the unknown (S)'s then broke the glass of the front office door and made entry, but fled when the alarm went off.

**S. Bascom Ave.** Two unidentified (S)s stole money from (V) when V was distracted. (S)s remain unidentified and at large.

**Dunster Dr.** (S1) and (S2) together assaulted (V). (V) was left with great bodily injury and disfigurement. (V) desired prosecution. (S1) and (S2) are at large.

**S. Winchester Blvd.** Unknown (S) fraudulently claimed to be delivering construction materials and requested unpaid invoice be wired electronically, (V) wired approximately \$2500.

**E. Hamilton Ave.** (S) cut off (V) in a parking lot in his vehicle. (V) confronted (S). (S)

brandished a machete at his side while talking to (V). (S) later apprehended and booked into jail. (S)'s machete booked into evidence.

**Ricky Ct.** (S) went to (V1)'s residence and knocked on the door in violation of a served no contact, stay away, domestic violence restraining order. (V2), (V3), and (V4) were home and also protected by the order. Booked.

**Camden Ave./San Tomas Expy.** (S) failed to navigate turn from nb Highway 17 off ramp on to San Tomas Expressway and collided with the median. (S) fled the scene and was located at his home. (S)'s vehicle was damaged. (S) admitted to drinking alcohol and driving. (S) failed to demonstrate SFST's as explained. Booked.

**Winchester Blvd.** (S) was reported to be trespassing and harassing customers in front of restaurant. (S) was contacted and determined to be too intoxicated to care for herself. Due to level of intoxication (S) was transported to the hospital and released to hospital staff's care.

**S. Winchester Blvd./W. Parr Ave.** (S) violated CVC, then fled, collided with another vehicle, and fled. Abandoned vehicle, then fled on foot. Apprehended and determined to be DUI. Arrested.

**E. Hamilton Ave.** (S) had three spray cans for the purpose of inhaling the nitrous oxide intended for personal intoxication. Cited and released.

**S. Bascom Ave.** Unknown (S) purchased a bike on line, picked it up, and the store was charged back for the transaction due to fraud. \$4500 loss. (S) remains at large.

**Budd Ave.** (S) entered the rear yards of several residential houses in the area of Emery and Budd and attempted to gain entry by checking doors to the residence. (S) was stopped by CPD leaving one of the residences. Arrested.

**E. Hamilton Ave.** (S) was stopped as she walked out of the department store, attempting to steal approximately \$48 worth of merchandise. Cited and released.

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**Herbert F. Killmeyer Jr.**  
7/11/33 – 5/6/25

With deep love and sorrow, the family of Herbert F. Killmeyer Jr. announces his peaceful passing on May 6, 2025, in Los Gatos, California, at the age of 91. Born on July 11, 1933, in Butler, Pennsylvania, to parents Herbert Killmeyer Sr. and Hazel (Nebel) Killmeyer, Herbert was a man of quiet strength, deep faith, and enduring devotion to his parents and family. Herbert attended Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont. Following 2 years of study, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served his country. He was stationed at Castle Air Force base in Merced, CA, where he met the love of his life, Beverley Ann Klemesrud, playing bridge with friends. On September 11, 1955, he married his forever sweetheart, Beverley, and began their life together at Dow Air Force base in Bangor, Maine, as a navigator in the Strategic Air Command (SAC), home to the 101st Air Refueling Wing.

Herbert proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1953 to 1957 as a Captain and principal duty navigator, flying TDY missions in North Africa, Greenland, England, and France. His military service continued when they moved to Campbell, CA, and he served with the California 129th Air Commando Squadron of the Air National Guard from 1958 until 1965 in Hayward.

After his military service, Herbert built a respected career in civil engineering and land surveying. He worked for Coburn, Pleum & Eckstine Consulting Engineers in Los Altos, and later founded his own successful land surveying company. Over more than four decades, he helped shape the Santa Clara Valley, surveying countless homes, shopping centers, and stadiums that became lasting parts of the community. Most notably, the Stanford Linear Accelerator

in Palo Alto, and commercial sites of what would become the pioneer firms of Silicon Valley.

Herbert had a deep love for natural beauty and history. A member of the Mt. Diablo Surveyors Historical Society and Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, he enjoyed studying and exploring the Sierra Nevada, especially Pincrest, where he often walked the trails, finding peace and inspiration in the same paths once traveled by his ancestors.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 70 years, Beverley Ann Killmeyer (Klemesrud); two sisters Nancy McNelis (Peter), Sandra Kran (Michael); daughters, Bethann Heath (Tim), Kathy Temby (Myles), Kristy Hendrycks (Paul); eight wonderful grandchildren and fifteen beautiful great-grandchildren. Herbert was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert F. Killmeyer Sr. & Hazel (Nebel) Killmeyer, siblings Eileen Mickle, Donald Killmeyer, Jean Dewhurst, and Joan Krahe.

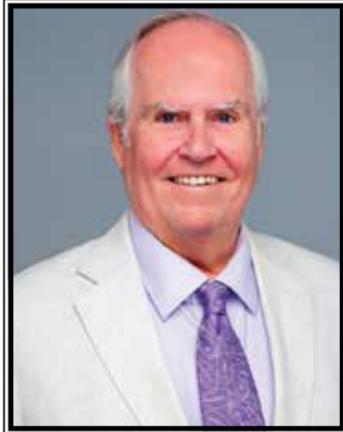
He found joy in singing, reading, fly fishing, smoking his pipe, and sharing many family road trips to national parks, passing on to future generations a profound appreciation for history, nature, and togetherness. Herbert was also a San Francisco Giants fan enjoying many family outings at the ballpark.

A memorial service was held on Friday, May 23 at 10 am at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, San Jose and a private graveside memorial at Santa Clara Mission Cemetery, Santa Clara. In lieu of flowers the family requested that donations be made to the Sierra Club and St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Herbert F. Killmeyer Jr. lived a life of purpose, legacy, and love. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by all who knew him.

Clear Cooperation

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its membership, the National Association of Realtors (NAR) formulated and implemented a "Clear Cooperation Policy" which required all newly listed homes to be put on an NAR affiliated MLS within one business day of active marketing of the home.

"Active marketing" included putting a sign in the yard, talking to someone outside of one's office or posting ads in print or on social media platforms. The goal, of course, was to give the widest exposure to a home for sale and to the largest buying public in order to ensure the best offers from the most available people interested in a home.

Locally, this was implemented with the addition of two "Members Only" categories that allowed for Agents to prepare the listed home for sale and either "Show" the home or "Do Not Show" the home, depending on the preparations underway. Those in the "Members Only" category were available to all Agents, just not syndicated to the Internet Real Estate sites. In short, they weren't widely advertised.

Thorough out all of this, a Brokerage was always able to have an "office exclusive"

which meant it stayed with the confines of their Brokerage. There were "carve outs", though, that allowed a Brokerage to quietly talk about an "office exclusive" to get the property sold. Recently, this has become a hot spot in the Real Estate industry as some large Brokerages are employing these "office exclusives" as a "private club" for their Agents. This has resulted in quite the controversy as some of those Internet sources have complained since "office exclusives" affect their ability to generate leads for Agents who sign on to their services.

All this "inside baseball" activity is still being worked out. If it sounds complicated to you, you may realize it's complicated for us, the professionals as well. However, as an "insider" with years of experience and connections to all parties, I am an excellent source of information and service for your Real Estate needs and wants. By contacting me, you'll find, "there's no one more dedicated to your goals." If you, or someone you care about, are considering a move in Real Estate, call or email me: (408) 887-4731 or geneshomes@earthlink.net.

It wasn't that long ago when some Realtors and Agents within micro-markets would form private clubs and offer their listings to only other members in those club. While this may have worked for some sellers, the question always remained, did you really get the best deal for the property you were offering? For buyers, the question was did you really have an opportunity to see and offer on all the available properties?

In fact, the question some sellers had resulted in court action as some Agents were sued on the basis of not securing the highest and best offer for a property. Watching this, concerned about consumer fairness and appropriate representation while listening to



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