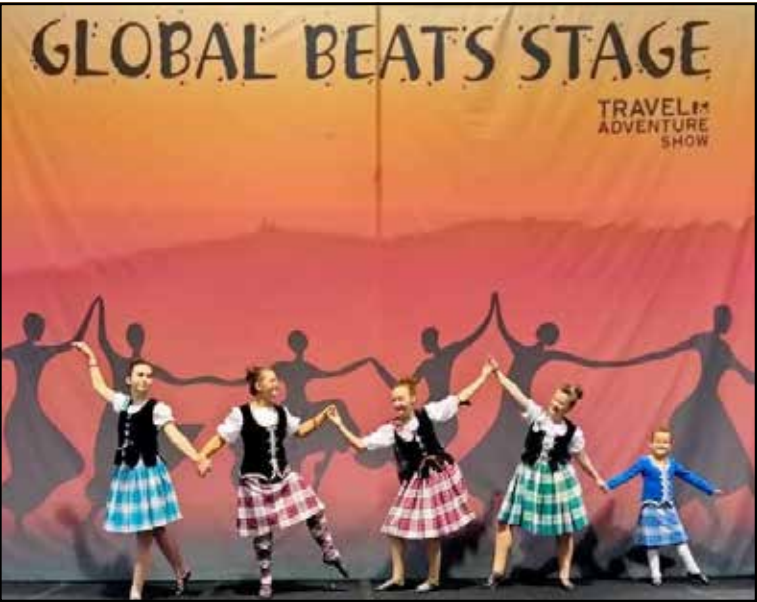


# HIGHLAND DANCERS AT THE BUNNY & BONNETS' PARADE



Contrary to its name, the San Jose School of Highland Dancing (“SJSHD”) is located in Campbell. Norine Harmon founded the school in the 1960’s in San Jose, and after her retirement in 2005, Susanne MacDougall took over SJSHD, moved the school to Campbell, and kept its name. The school’s hardwood dance floor was sawed down the middle so that it could fit through the studio door, loaded atop a flatbed truck, transported, and reassembled in its new home in the MacDougall garage, thus converting the garage into a dance studio. Susanne says she took over SJSHD because

she felt it was important to keep the school operating, even though her family can no longer park their cars in the garage. Susanne’s enthusiasm for the school is reflected in its numbers: SJSHD has grown from to six students to approximately 35. During the pandemic students attended via Zoom, and some students, particularly those away at college, still attend remotely. Happily coincidentally with SJSHD’s move to Campbell, Fred DeMarse, a certified Highland dance teacher and judge who has competed and performed throughout Europe and North America, was relocating to the Bay

Area and joined the teaching staff at the school. Susanne’s daughter, Catherine MacDougall, began Highland dancing when she was 6 and is a certified Highland dance instructor on staff at SJSHD. The third dance instructor is Katie Krull, who began dancing when she was 9 and earned her Highland dance teaching certificate in 2020. SJSHD welcomes students of all ages beginning with ages 5 and 6 in its “Primary” class through adults with or without dance experience. Some students choose to enter Highland dance competitions; other students choose to dance for recreational reasons. SJSHD performs throughout the community, most recently at the Campbell School of Innovation. “Just contact us,” Susanne said. Their website is [www.sanjose-highlanddance.com](http://www.sanjose-highlanddance.com). When I asked about the kilts, Susanne informed me that she sews many of them. The wool is mainly from Scotland, sometimes in the wearer’s family tartan. The purpose of the kilt



determines the weight of its wool: dancers prefer a lighter weight kilt vs. the heavier kilt a Highland band member would wear. In addition to being a seamstress and a Highland dancer, Susanne is also a knitter, a writer, and a singer in the Orchard City Community Chorus. She was born in San Francisco and has an interesting notation on her passport: “First Transatlantic Baby”. Her mother, a sailor, put Susanne in a box at the age of 3 months and shipped her (via caring flight attendants) to Susanne’s aunt in Denmark where she lived for 30 years before settling in the U.S. and marrying a musician. Susanne’s husband is a drummer in a piping band, and their son is in the band as well.

Each November the San Jose School of Highland Dancing holds its popular “extravaganza” at the Starbright Theatre in the Kirkwood Plaza. This year it will present “A Scottish Nutcracker”. After seeing last fall’s delightful “Scottish Wizard of Oz”, I can sincerely recommend buying tickets early to this year’s production. When the 23rd annual Bunnies and Bonnets Easter Parade steps out onto Campbell Avenue on March 30, it will once again be joyfully led by dancers from the San Jose School of Highland Dancing accompanied by The Pipes and Drums of the Santa Clara County Sheriff’s Office. Come and see this parade!



## Just a Little Bit of History

February’s photo was taken of the decorative vent at the top of the Downing Building at 383-393 East Campbell Ave. This California Mission Revival style building was constructed in 1905 and is the second oldest commercial structure in Campbell. While waiting for this building to be completed, Mr. Downing sold fresh and salted meats at Downing’s Meat Market, with fresh fruit and vegetables when in season. The Downing building is typical of the stores built in small towns in early 1900’s. Upper floors served as housing quarters with store fronts on the street level and originally this was a bakery and an ice cream shop. At one time the upper floor was used as the law office of Richard Wallace Morton, who became the first mayor of Campbell in 1952. Here is your mystery photo for March. As usual, see if you can figure out what you are looking at and where it is located. Happy St. Patrick’s Day.







## WORD OF THE MONTH

### "SONOLUMINESCENCE"

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NOUN

The emission of light from imploding bubbles in a liquid when they are excited by sound.

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## HAPPENINGS

### MUSEUM MATTERS March 2024

Looking for a fun local out this Spring? Visit the Campbell Historical Museum or Ainsley House!

Both Museums are open Fridays through Sundays, 11am to 3pm with the exception of some Fridays at the Historical Museum when on site field trips are taking place.

The Campbell Museum Foundation Board is recruiting for new Board Members to help keep History active in our community. **The Campbell Museum Foundation** is a State of California non-profit, public benefit corporation dedicated to supporting the Campbell Historical Museum and Ainsley House. It provides services and funds to the Museum; develops, cultivates and advocates greater public interest in the Museum; and receives donations and grants and other funds on behalf of the Museum. The primary responsibility of the Foundation Board is to develop financial support for the Museum's activities and day-to-day operations. Each Board Member utilizes personal interests and expertise in planning and managing the fundraising, education, and community outreach programs.

The Museum Foundation Board is hosting a MUSEUM MIXER & Happy Hour on Thursday, March 14 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Carriage House for anyone interested in learning more about joining the Board and becoming an active member

of the Community. Please RSVP to Cherri Fontanta [cfont625@gmail.com](mailto:cfont625@gmail.com) Space is limited!

#### Volunteers Encouraged!

The Campbell Museums is actively recruiting for a variety of volunteer positions.

If you love History, want to meet new people, and be a part of the community, then joining the museum volunteer group is a great opportunity!

The following volunteer positions are open now:

- Campbell Historical Museum Greeter
- Ainsley House Docent & Greeters
- Museum Foundation Board Member
- Ainsley House Garden Volunteer
- Special Event Volunteers
- Museum Collections Volunteers.

If interested, contact Museum Supervisor, Kerry Perkins [kerry.p@campbellca.gov](mailto:kerry.p@campbellca.gov) (408) 866-2718, or more information can be found on the Campbell Museums website:

<https://www.campbellmuseums.com/get-involved>

The Museum Boutique at the Ainsley House/Carriage House is looking for a volunteer gift shop manager. This is a volunteer opportunity for someone interested in helping a small non profit boutique. The time commitment is a few hours per month, able to identify trends and

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## HERE'S HOWE



CAMPBELL LITTLE LEAGUE is now officially in full swing with their opening ceremonies held on March 9<sup>th</sup>. I remember playing on those iconic baseball fields back in the 70's and I have some great memories there. I decided I wanted to play music instead. Amen.

**DOPPIO ZERO**, is still secretly building away inside the old rocket fizz building and scheduled to open THIS Spring now according to the signs displayed out front.

**RUSH FITNESS**, located at the old Campbell Furniture Gallery at 287 E. Campbell Ave. (next to the bookstore) will officially open on April 1<sup>st</sup> (no foolin'!) but is open now. This gym literally has it all for anyone wishing to work off the local food from the night before in pretty much any manner they wish. Stop in and check out this sprawling location filled with treadmills, free weights, Stairmasters, and more as well as Pilate classes and group exercise sessions or you can even meet with a personal trainer to develop your own custom workout.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY** is always a good time for having a green beer because any other time of the year you probably wouldn't even think to drink that and throw it away! and this year it falls on a Sunday. I miss the days of C.B. Hannegan's in Los Gatos. I have a dear friend from Scotland who flew out here once to celebrate it with me there. What a great time that was!

**BUNNIES & BONNETS** Easter parade this year on March 31<sup>st</sup>! For over 22 years, it has always been a fun community gathering. So bring out the kids for this always special event to see marching bands, dance troupes, cool cars, local celebs, and of course the Easter Bunny will be there too!

I recently heard about the infamous **KOME** rock radio DJ Gene Mitchell passing away. For those of you who remember those days of the 70's and 80's, he was an iconic figure in the bay area music scene. I remember a friend won tickets for us to go down to the Cal Jam II festival in March of 1978 on the KOME party bus with "Geno Mitchellini" as he was known. An event I will never forget! 350,000 people attended this event at the Ontario speedway with acts such as Aerosmith, Ted Nugent, Santana, Foreigner, and Heart. Who'd a thought at that time that 25 years later I would actually be on stage with Santana and do three tours with him over the years, not to mention working with Foreigner and Heart many years after that! Life is crazy that way.

Luckily the weather held up for the **SANTA CRUZ CLAM CHOWDER COOK-OFF**, and my friends Brian & Lorene (and their dedicated team) took home two more awards this year to add to their arsenal of plaques that line the dining room wall at their Campbell home. I was disappointed I was unable to attend the festivities, but clearly looked like a great time had by all. If I could only convince them to make their chowder here all the time, Campbell would be a 'clammiar' place for all!



## THEN AND NOW



Photo: Campbell Historical Museum



Photo: © Matthew C. Howe

The corner of 2nd street and Campbell Ave was originally built as a Stoddard's Brewhouse and Eatery that included Villa Ragusa's real estate upstairs as well. Stoddard's didn't last long, and most locals remember the location as the Sonoma Chicken Coup. That lasted several years, and later became the Campbell Brewing Company, once again utilizing Stoddard's large brewing vessels that had remained there. Not having much interest on the food side of things, the brewery owners farmed out the restaurant side to various food businesses that struggled there that included Iguana's, The Pit, (a variation of the old Hickory Pit) and later an Italian restaurant called Il Sogno (Vin Santos in Willow Glen owner's creation), but couldn't bounce back after the pandemic and permanently closed. A couple years ago it was remodeled to become the now popular Wild Rose restaurant and eatery.





# PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT’S 1903 VISIT TO CAMPBELL...

By Sergio Lopez

You may have heard about the time President Teddy Roosevelt visited Campbell in 1903 — but unless you caught Campbell Historical Museum Supervisor Kerry Perkins and her talk at the 132nd Early Settlers Luncheon, you probably haven’t heard the full story.

The Early Settlers Luncheon — now officially the longest continually-running event in California — celebrates the history and heritage of Campbell every year, while creating a welcoming community space for both familiar and new faces to come and take part. At this year’s luncheon, which was held on Presidents’ Day, February 19th, Kerry Perkins put together what is likely the most comprehensive account yet of President Roosevelt’s visit.

Perkins contextualized the event by explaining that it was part of a whistle stop tour by the relatively new president. The Campbell community, led in particular by

J. Fred Smith and the local Grange organization, invited Roosevelt to visit and plant a tree, in hopes of promoting a new site for a high school, which was needed as the community grew in population. For a president who prioritized youth, education, and nature, it was a perfect fit.

As Perkins shared, the logistics of inviting, and preparing for, a presidential visit were incredibly complex. Yet the day came, with Roosevelt visiting a dizzying array of cities from Santa Cruz county up through the Santa Clara valley.

At the conclusion of his brief remarks, Roosevelt shared what are still words we can all live by: “It is a peculiar pleasure to me to address the children. I have but just one word to say to you; it is something I should say to your elders also. I believe in play and I believe in work. I want to see you play hard while you play, and when you work do not play at all.”

# PUBLISHER NOTES

By Nancy O. Whitney

The Campbell Press has been buzzing with calls and emails from our community leaders and readers, sharing their plans for the upcoming traditional events like Saint Paddy’s Day & Easter. There is also a plethora of spring activities to look forward to such as the 23rd annual **DCBA Bunnies and Bonnets Parade** on Saturday March 30th that is set to be bigger and better than ever with more participants joining in to celebrate this historical event. If you're interested in taking part or volunteering visit [www.downtowncampbell.com](http://www.downtowncampbell.com) for more information.

On our back page, you'll find a variety of upcoming events, including a concert

by the South Bay Philharmonic and the **Humane Society’s FUR BALL** fundraiser held at PayPal Park on May 11th. The Pruneyard is hosting an Easter scavenger hunt on March 22nd & 23rd, and additionally the Campbell Chamber is holding the artisan pop-up market with many arts & crafts to choose from with some special and unique Easter gifts.

In other news, March 11th marks National Women’s Day, and **Ben’s Bark Park** is hosting a special event to honor women. **Denny’s** is back in Campbell and located at 2201 S. Bascom Ave. (the old Goodies restaurant location next to 7-11) and

is eagerly awaiting the return of service clubs in addition to regular customers. Speaking of breakfast, there is a Campbell police fundraiser being held on March 16th supporting the Campbell police K9 unit at the Home Church from 9:00am-10:30am.

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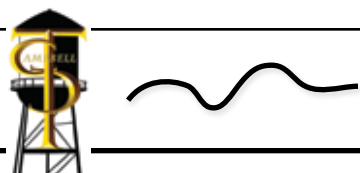
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Villarita Drive	\$2,055,888	5/3	67	6970	1868
S. Milton Avenue	\$2,051,100	3/2	63	8276	1746
Via D’Este	\$1,900,000	3/3	64	5663	1620
Hurst Avenue	\$1,880,000	3/2	56	9017	2128
Ricky Drive	\$1,850,000	3/2	69	6936	1583
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Kenneth Avenue	\$1,710,000	3/1	74	11326	1025
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Orchard Oak Circle	\$1,300,000	3/2.5	28		1895
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S. Bascom Avenue	\$1,090,000	3/2.5	43		1386
Ponderosa Terrace	\$920,000	3/1.5	50	1086	1176
Fierro Loop	\$1,625,000	3/1	8		1728
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AN "EGGTRAVAGANZA" OF SERVICE



Lions members are getting ready to set up eyeglasses for their team.

Spring has sprung and with it, a blossoming of service projects! As always, we had our regular eyeglass sorting event. These are held about every six weeks. Our last one had 120 community volunteers show up to sort, clean, and determine the prescriptions of our donated glasses. In California, returned eyeglasses cannot be resold. Working with a major eyeglass retailer, they donate their unusable glasses to us. We, along with our other area Lions Clubs and our volunteers, process these for

worldwide distribution. At our last sorting, we processed over 50,000 pairs! Our next sorting event will be May 4th at the



Lions officials give the Winners of the Lions Speech Competition their prizes!

San Jose Vista Center for the Blind from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Early workers get coffee and treats while the afternoon shift gets lunch. Come and join us!

As I have reported in the past, shared projects equal shared success. Members of our club, partnering with the Cupertino DeAnza Lions, helped at their annual Crab Feed. 38 tables of the crustacean lovers showed up for salad, pasta and garlic bread and of course, unlimited fresh crab, mmm, mmm! We were also helped by 40 students from DeAnza College who set the tables, served the courses, and best yet, helped with clean up! Lion

Dave Kaplow was the hit of the evening, selling keys to the "treasure chest" which was filled with cash from the key purchasers!

Lion Dave was also instrumental in our next big service activity, securing a \$2,000 grant from the California Lions Foundation for purchasing supplies for Jacob's Heart, an organization that works with families with children with cancer. These children are transported for their medical services, and depending on the distance from their homes to the clinic and back, can spend as much as 13 hours in transit. Members of the WSJ-C Lions, along with members of the Willow Glen



Lions members getting ready to share a new meeting place.

Lions, assembled 200 backpacks of art projects, puzzles, worksheets and snacks for the children. Organized by Lions Desiree Mitchell and Michelle Hiatt, the backpacks were quickly assembled then placed in my Ford Explorer, AKA, "the Beast," for the trek to Watsonville to deliver the kits. Lion Dave and I were met at the Jacob's Heart center by volunteers of their organization who quickly unloaded the packs!

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Campbell Veterans Memorial

The Campbell Veterans Memorial Foundation is creating a new year ahead of events. We are looking forward to our continued community partnerships. As well as a Booth at the Boogie Festival come and see us. Also an Honorable Mention to all our Brick Families, Loyal Donators, and Local Veterans who do many things with and for us during the year. If you want to get a Memorial Brick for a family member or Veteran or want to donate. Please go to our website

www.campbellveteransmemorial.com



Please mark on your Calendars to join us at our

Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday the 27th of May. We will continue in our standard ceremony with a KeyNote Speaker State and Local Dignitaries and a High School Band along with the National Anthem sung by a Choir and taps to honor the fallen soldiers

The Foundation has a Mission Statement that reads;

"Remembering and Honoring those who have served our country, have given their lives, their well-being, their fortunes, and those who continue to serve with only one request: "That we do not forget their sacrifices on our behalf of this great nation. Their Vision is as follows; "TO HONOR AND SUPPORT ALL VETERANS, TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THEIR FAMILIES."



By Margaret Schieck, President

Welcome to March, the "in like a lion and our like a lamb" month. March is also the month of International Woman's Day, Ramadan, St. Patrick's Day, the First Day of Spring, Purim, and, this year, Easter. In addition, don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on March 10th, when Daylight Savings Time begins. After all, no one would want to be late for our AARP meeting on March 19th. That is also St. Joseph's Day, traditionally the day the swallows came back to Capistrano. What a packed month!

On February 20th, our members heard from Alicia Guevara, a representative from Sourcewise (formerly the

Council on Aging), who informed us about various services available to Santa Clara County Seniors and persons with disabilities. We also learned of an open position on their Advisory Council.

In March, we are looking forward to an interactive chair exercise program led by a qualified instructor.

Our active and friendly Campbell Area Chapter of AARP meets on the third Tuesday of the month (March 19th) in room Q 80 of The Campbell Community Center, 1 W. Campbell Avenue. The formal meeting begins at 10:00, but Coffee and "Chat Time" is from 9:15 to 10:00. One does not have to be a Campbell resident to join. We are open to anyone 50 years of age or older. See you there.

WOMEN RUN THE SOUTH BAY YELP COMMUNITY EVENT BEN'S BARKETPLACE

Thursday, March 21, 2024 5:30-7:30pm

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Scan the QR code to RSVP

yelp.com/elite



The Mid-Peninsula Widows & Widowers Association meets weekly and organizes social activities for those who have experienced the loss of a spouse. The group meets every first Tuesday of each month from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and every remaining Tuesday of the month from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Visitors should arrive 30 minutes before the meeting starts.

We coordinate games such as Bocce Ball, Bowling, card games, weekly walks at Rancho San Antonio and Shoreline Parks. Weekly and monthly gatherings for breakfast, lunch and dinner at local restaurants, monthly discussion groups followed by a potluck or dinner at a local restaurant. Events include seasonal parties, annual picnic and installation dinner and dance. Please contact Gloria 408-246-4642 or Jan 408-439-0776 for more information.





THANK YOU!!

CAMPBELL SUPPORTS THE CWCC

By Lucille Maravilla

On Saturday, 2/3/2024, the Country Woman's Club of Campbell (CWCC) held it's 26th annual Crab and Pasta fundraiser. The sold out event at the Orchard City Banquet Hall was one of the club's most successful. We raised \$34,000 which will help fund the many scholarships that we will award to Campbell High School District students. The club wishes to thank all of the local businesses who contributed and donated, as well as friends and family.

Our program includes the crab and pasta meal plus soft drinks, wine, and beer at no extra charge. There are gift baskets which are raffled along with a silent auction

that often includes jewelry, art work, vintage wine, and tickets to special events like a San Francisco Giants game, and a golf foursome.

The whole club works to create the event. We have members who solicit business donations, others who contact local schools for student volunteers who help set up the hall, serve, and clean up. Others gather donated items for the baskets and silent auction. Still other members work in the kitchen prepping the crab and cooking the pasta, putting together the baskets, selling the event tickets, preparing the text for printing the program, etc.

Lastly, so many friends and family from Campbell and

throughout the area attend year after year. Many people shared how much fun they had, seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Making program announcements was sometimes difficult because everyone was talking and laughing. Several new attendees wrote checks to fund more scholarships. We received new member applications from those who loved the club and event energy and want to be part of it. Many guests said that they plan on attending next year. Great, we will see you next year!

For more information about CWCC please contact Lucille Maravilla 408 205-4621 or Cherri Fontana 408 209-1310.



LOST KITTY

Mimi is a Flame Point Siamese with steel blue eyes and is cream colored with light orange on her ears, face, and tail. She disappeared in the Dell/Camden area and is chipped.

If you spot her, please call or text picture, location, date to

(408) 386-3579

Thank you for your help!

ST. PATRICK'S EASTER

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BASKET CHOCOLATE RAINBOW LEPRECHAUN CLOVER

CABBAGE EGGS LUCKY BLESS COLOR SAINT SAUERKRAUT

IRELAND LEGEND GREEN SUNDAY LENT CELTIC CHARM

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Words can be diagonal and backwards too! How many words can you find?



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LIONS CLUB

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After that, We were treated to a tour of their wonderful and cheerful facility. Bright colors and artwork done by the children adorned the wall. My favorite installation was of the children, dressed in superhero costumes, photographed then made into large portraits and hung on the walls, charming and heartwarming.

Last by not least, was a two for one day of service: all the district Lions participated in our yearly "Rise Against Hunger" project in which over 10,000 packaged meals were assembled to be shipped to countries in need. On the same day, members of our club worked with Lion Randy Martino on the Union School District's annual Health Faire. A special precursor of this event was providing eyeglasses to a district

family group who needed them. Mother Teresa said, "We can do no great things, only small things with great love." I would add how great we feel after working in our community.

As always, we welcome everyone to join us at our club meetings, held at Denny's on Capitol Expressway each Thursday at 12:00 noon, and at our service activities. A calendar of all our events can be found at [info@wsjlions.org](mailto:info@wsjlions.org). WE SERVE.

The West San Jose - Campbell and Willow Glen Lions raised funding from the California Lions Foundation to purchase art supplies making 200 art kits to ease the journey a bit for Jacob's Heart kids.

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# Campbell Chamber of Commerce

## Join us for an evening of high stakes, high style and high praise at the 0056<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrate Campbell

By Kirsten Frank

The 0056<sup>th</sup> annual Celebrate Campbell is a Casino Royale 007 James Bond-inspired evening of intrigue and espionage taking place at The Cannery at 300 Orchard City Drive.

Guests will arrive in their finest bespoke Bond attire and will be greeted by an Aston Martin owned by fellow 00 agents and Campbell residents, Eric and Allison Hansen. Should guests need an appropriate ensemble, Tuxedos & More is offering \$50 off a full tux or suit package when reserved by April 13, 2024. *(The code word for the discount is Celebrate Campbell.)*

Once cleared by MI6 operatives in The Cannery lobby, the adventure begins from 5pm to 7pm with appetizers and a no-host cocktail bar serving 007-approved libations. Campbell Cigar Club will offer a selection of spy-worthy cigars for sale and there will be outdoor clandestine areas to enjoy a smoke and a scotch.

Also happening during this time, guests can try their

luck at the casino, a fundraising activity benefiting the Campbell Chamber Community Foundation. Starting chips are included in the ticket price and additional chips will be available for those who are on a roll.

Before dinner is served, all agents should report to Q's Research Lab to receive education on the appropriate spy gadgets for their upcoming missions.

Once the casino closes, the evening continues with a three-course dinner catered by Table and Terrace and an awards program honoring the many heroes of Campbell including Citizen of the Year and the three Business of the Year finalists.

Three deserving Campbell high school spies - oops seniors - will be receiving scholarships named after three notorious 00 agents: the Betty Deal Memorial Scholarship, the Sally Howe Memorial Scholarship, and the Mike Kotowski Scholarship.

Other top-secret plans are underway, so be sure to



secure your coveted Double 0 clearance *(by purchasing a ticket or a table)* as soon as possible.

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## Money Empowerment *by Jill*



### TAX SEASON

As the tax deadline approaches, there are a few of you out there who might be dreading the task of gathering all of your documents to hand over to your tax accountant.

It can really be a painful experience if you've been avoiding having a system that you keep up to date throughout the year.

The good news is that you don't need to have a sophisticated method to stay on top of things. A few simple changes in your habits, a central place to store your data, and consistent management and filing will do the trick.

Not only will having a good financial system save you time preparing for your taxes, it may also save you money. If you have a business, you could be missing out on some valuable write offs, which could affect your taxable income. This could result in tax savings and possibly even a refund.

What exactly do you need for your system?

Ideally, you want to give your tax accountant a summary of how much money you earned and spent for the year in predetermined categories. Spending categories should follow

the guidelines listed in the IRS instructions.

If you have your own business or side hustle, there will be more expense categories. Speak with your tax accountant or check it out at [irs.gov](https://irs.gov).

The best way to track this information is in a spreadsheet, or if you have many transactions you can use a financial software such as Quickbooks.

If you are a W2 only employee and have no business income or expenses, track you're spending in a spreadsheet or using an app. Keep all of your documents in electronic files. You can create folders for each year and category and download your documents to the folders. You can also use paper folders if you prefer and keep the hardcopy documents there. The method itself is not as important as the consistency of doing it.

Create a method that makes sense to you, is not too time consuming, and ultimately gives your tax accountant what they need to file your taxes on time. It really should not take more than 20-30 minutes to prepare for your appointment.

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UNITED WE STAND

By Elliot Scozzola,  
Campbell City Councilman

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If you're like me, you've noticed what appears to be an increasing divide amongst our fellow Americans. In recent years, it's gotten to the point of outright concern as I see members of my own family unable to sit at the same table, simply over who they might have voted for during the last election. No longer will you find two tables at Thanksgiving; one reserved for adults and the other children. Now it's more common to see those two tables separated by political party preference. I refuse to sit at either table and instead will take my plate of food piled heavily with mom's delicious green bean casserole out to the porch. I look across the street at my neighbors homes and my next thoughts linger on where this division began.

If we delve into the history of our nation you'd see that our Founding Fathers harbored apprehensions regarding the emergence of a two-party system, fearing that it could foster division and hinder effective governance. They warned against factions, as written by James Madison in Federalist Paper No. 10. The polarization and gridlock inherent within such a system were seen as threats to national unity and stability. They advocated for a diverse range of voices and viewpoints to be represented in government, fostering compromise and consensus-building. Despite their concerns, the two-party system eventually became the standard in American politics... god forbid you "throw your vote away" on a third-party candidate!

Over two centuries had passed since their warnings, as I found myself casting my very first ballot which happened to coincide with the controversial 2000 Presidential election. This is where I first felt the nation plunged into chaos and division, marked by the contested results in Florida. The dispute centered on flawed ballots, confusing voting mechanisms, and accusations of voter suppression. The contentious recount process, punctuated by legal battles and partisan fervor, polarized the country along political lines. Ultimately, the Supreme Court's decision to halt the recount in Bush v. Gore handed victory to George W. Bush, inflaming tensions and deepening distrust in the electoral process. The aftermath left scars on the American psyche which would only grow as the years passed and arguably even more contentious elections took place.

Technology played its part in driving a bigger wedge between us as the majority of the populace were now able to easily access the internet on their mobile devices. With the miracle that is instant global communication in the palm of your hand, also came the dangers of misinformation, disinformation, and the algorithm that keeps you in a bubble of your own thoughts and opinions. Emotions often run wild and empathy disappears because looking through that screen you don't feel like you're interacting with a real human being.

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COUNTY NEWS



MARCH COUNTY UPDATE

By County Supervisor,  
Joe Simitian

A century ago, Santa Clara County acquired 400 acres of rolling foothills between Saratoga and Cupertino, laying the foundation for the modern-day Santa Clara County Parks system.

By the end of 1924, Santa Clara County had its first public park — what is now Stevens Creek County Park. Today, our parks system includes 28 locations encompassing more than 52,000 acres set aside for recreation and habitat protection.

At my request, the Board of Supervisors recently recognized Steven's Creek Park's centennial milestone, honoring a beloved park that grew to include more than 1,000 acres of woodlands, meadows, and canyons.

Stevens Creek Park truly highlights the West Valley's varied and natural beauty — home to a wide range of wildlife, including deer, bobcats, coyotes, and numerous bird species. It's also a great example of how our County parks are always evolving to meet the recreational needs of current and future generations.

In 1935, the Santa Clara Valley Water Conservation District purchased 171.5 acres adjacent to the County's initial purchase of parkland to develop a reservoir. The Stevens Creek dam was

completed in 1936. Over the years, additional acreage and improvements meant that Stevens Creek Park today is a place where people go to picnic, connect with nature, tour historic sites, and participate in interpretive programs. There are miles of trails for hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding, and facilities to enjoy archery, disc golf, boating, fishing, and horseshoe tossing.

The Board's commendation honors this particular park — because it was the first, and also, because at its core, that wise and forward-thinking purchase of property blossomed into so much more.

In 1956 the County's growing population led to the establishment of our Department of Parks and Recreation. The acquisition of new lands and expansion of the regional parks and trails network accelerated when Santa Clara County voters approved the Park Charter Fund in 1972. This funding helped create one of the largest and most diverse regional park systems in California. That is a very, very good thing.

Our County's iconic viewshed — the sweeping ridgelines, emerald green this time of year — is valuable just in itself. Our protected lands also maintain a rich and diverse habitat for ani-

mals and plants, help safeguard our water supply, and give residents and visitors a place to recharge. Parks are integral to our County's identity and allure.

As we have come to learn all too well when it comes to land use, there will always be development pressures or some alternative use that someone proposes. Some are worthy and necessary — affordable housing for one. It's a balancing act. Constant vigilance may sound overly dramatic, but the history of our Valley is a reminder that once open space is gone, it's probably gone forever.

So, Happy 100th Birthday to Stevens Creek and our wonderful parks system! I hope you will soon find the opportunity to walk, think, picnic, or play in one of our County's many fine open spaces.

*Santa Clara County Supervisor Joe Simitian represents the Fifth District which includes Cupertino, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Saratoga, Stanford, portions of San Jose and unincorporated communities in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Stay up to date on news and events happening in District Five by signing up for Supervisor Simitian's monthly newsletter at his website: SupervisorSimitian.org.*

City Council & Planning Commission News



By Adam Buchbinder

At the February 13 meeting, the Planning Commission approved a taproom with a roof deck and live music on the small lot at 48 Civic Center Drive. It's at the northeast corner of downtown, just across from the library. This oddly-shaped lot was created in the 1970s when the downtown loop streets were established, and has occasionally been used for parking, but has mostly remained as it is now, a small grass lot, for the last fifty years.

We received five letters on the subject (as well as having received in-person comment at preliminary meetings), three of

which were strongly negative, one positive, and one neutral. Despite this, the Commission approved the development, and I voted to do so. The public might be wondering why.

The Planning Commission's duty is to integrate public feed-back, the city's rules, and the good of the city as a whole. Sometimes these things conflict; for example, the public response clearly wanted us to mandate more parking for the taproom. However, state law prohibits parking mandates within a half-mile of a light rail station, in this case the Downtown Campbell station

about seven hundred feet away. Apart from the fact that there's no room for parking on the site, and parking mandates would effectively force it to remain an unused lot, the city literally cannot comply with the public's wishes.

More broadly, these are three people who are quite motivated, but the taproom will serve much more than three people, the vast majority of whom aren't even aware of this process right now. We have to balance their interests as well, even though the public comment process naturally privileges

the voices of incumbents over newcomers, and negative comments over positive ones.

None of this means that we don't take input from the public seriously. For example, this new building will create a pedestrian alley, and the Police Department is working with the owners of both buildings to make sure that there's lighting, cameras, and a safety plan there. The city will be enforcing time and sound-level limits on the live music. And the city's Capital Improvement Plan includes safety improvements for the crossing between Civic Cen-

ter and Harrison, to the north of the project.

Compromise is essential when juggling the needs and desires of multiple parties. There's no rote answer to these questions, but it helps to hear and empathize with people, even when you don't give them what they want.

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).





‘CLASSIC SEGER’ AT THE HERITAGE THEATRE

By Matthew C. Howe

With so many tribute acts covering the best classic rock bands of yesteryear, several have come through the Heritage Theatre. I attended a few of these shows in the past year and one of the recent shows was “Classic Seger.” I initially had issues with their advertisement that said BOB SEGER TOUR 2024 and had no mention of it being a “tribute” act. I contacted Bob’s recent Production Manager and ask him why I hadn’t been contacting about Bob coming out of retirement. He laughed about it and told me Bob wasn’t going out on tour and that it must be a tribute act – though initially it said nothing of the sort- and only until I saw some later ads for their local show.

Maybe someone called them on confusing the public!

Having been Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band’s Video Director for his final ‘Roll Me Away’ farewell

tour in 2019, I was a bit impartial going down to take some photos of them. Claiming their Seger influence came from living just across the Canadian border from Detroit,

I gave them a fair chance to prove themselves. I arrived a bit late thinking the show started at the standard 8pm, only to find out it started a half hour earlier and I missed a few songs! Who starts a rock show at 7:30 on a Friday night? Ok, well never mind. But I have always had my favorite songs of Bob’s, such as one of his most famous tracks, “Turn the Page” literally having experienced those “on the road” lyrics many times at a late night truck stop. The group had their own rendition that was somewhat “different” and ‘tried’ to make it their own. It wasn’t their best cover of the night, but I was overall impressed with the band’s musical talent.

Seeger’s repertoire is thick. Bob’s 18+ albums are deeply filled with many great tracks that most people haven’t heard unless they had bought his records. Selling more than 75 million albums is no easy feat for anyone, and I gained huge respect for his songwriting talent after working with him. Back in Campbell, the sound was good at the theatre, but I didn’t care for the group being blasted with red light all night (apparently a request of the bands and something that they really should rethink!) but like myself, the crowd seemed to enjoy reminiscing and was enthusiastic throughout the evening while some danced in the aisles. The group didn’t stop for much chit chat and cranked out hit after hit such as ‘Travelin’ Man’ ‘Katmandu’ ‘Against The Wind’ ‘Rock n’ Roll Never Forgets’ and left few songs behind. Overall, it was a pretty good show. *MCH*

MARCH MOVIES

By Sam Wilson



Dune: Part Two – B

Denis Villeneuve’s culmination of Frank Herbert’s novel is a visual and technical triumph featuring an epic Hans Zimmer score, sadly the story’s stale and the climax is rushed. Full of religious undertones, Timothee Chamalet’s protagonist attempts to convince the natives that he’s the Messiah while they wage war against the villainous Harkonnens. The insanely rich ensemble includes Javier Bardem, Rebecca Furguson, Zendaya, Florence Pugh, Josh Brolin, Dave Bautista, Austin Butler, Stellan Skarsgard, and Christopher Walken.

Argylle – C-

Easily fan favorite Matthew Vaughn’s worst film, a massive disappointment considering all the talent on and behind the camera. The author of an espionage series (Bryce Dallas Howard) realized her novels mirror real life when she is visited by a spy (a rockin’ Sam Rockwell). Bryan Cranston, Henry Cavill, and John Cena also appear in Apple’s dull action flop based off the novel of the same name.

Madame Web – D+

Predictable train-wreck that everyone but Sony saw coming about an obscure Spiderman character with little fanfare. The odd and poorly constructed origin story set

before Spider-man is born sees Dakota Johnson’s (50 Shades of Grey) titular clairvoyant protecting three teens from a villain inexplicably with Spider-Man’s powers and costume. Sydney Sweeney (Anyone But You) and Adam Scott (Step Brothers) are wasted in supporting roles.

Drive-Away Dolls – B-

Crude romantic crime comedy following two polar opposite LGBT friends, one a motor-mouthed free spirit and the other a reserved uptight, embarking on a road trip to deliver a vehicle in Tallahassee while unknowingly trailed by criminals. Directed by half of the renowned Coen brothers (Fargo, No Country for Old Men), Ethan Coen’s first solo feature retains their hallmark flashy dialogue, big name cameos and mix of humor with violence, though it’s on par with their lesser works.

**Bob Marley: One Love – D+** Musical biopic about the Jamaican singer-songwriter that fails in all aspects while boasting the feel of a student film. Kingsley Ben-Adir (Barbie) portrays the reggae legend while Lashana Lynch (Captain Marvel) is given even less to do as his wife. Crafted by the directed of “King Richard” using a horrendous script with no story that

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MOVIE REVIEWS

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barely skims the surface of Marley’s life because it’s so busy playing his greatest hits.

**Lisa Frankenstein – C-**  
Writer Diablo Cody (Juno, Jennifer’s Body) goes for an Edwards Scissorhands/Tim Burton-style dark comedy that ends up coming across as a Disney Channel original R-rated movie. Kathryn Newton (Freaky), Cole Sprouse (The CW’s “Riverdale”) and Carla Gugino (Spy Kids) star in the strange romantic tale inspired by Mary Shelley’s “Frankenstein” that’s set in the 1980s. Cody’s trademark flare and dialogue feel dated.

**Land of Bad – C+**  
Russel Crowe (Gladiator), Liam Hemsworth (The Hunger Games), Luke Hemsworth (HBO’s “Westworld”) and an impressively tough Milo Ventimiglia (NBC’s “This Is Us”) lead this solid action thriller from the helmer of “Underwater”. A group of Army Special Forces are ambushed on enemy territory in the Philippines with only the aid of Air Force personnel via radio. Essentially the plot of “Behind Enemy Lines” with realistic action thanks partly to camera angles inspired by videos games like “Call of Duty”.

**All of Us Strangers – B-**  
Puzzling heartbreaker concerning a lonely screenwriter (Andrew Scott) who returns to his childhood home and begins a fling with his neighbor (charismatic up-and-comer Paul Mescal, whose profile is quickly skyrocketing) while struggling to come to terms with his parents death from his youth. Jaime Bell (Rocketman) and Claire Foy (The Crown) co-star in this intimate romantic drama full of heavy themes, understated substance, and head-scratching moments.



Wednesday, March 6  
6:00pm **Dennis Dove**  
7:00pm **Chain of Fools**

Thursday, March 7  
6:00pm  
**Blues Jam**

Friday, March 8  
7:00pm  
**Seven Shades of Grey**

Saturday, March 9  
7:00pm  
**Dennis King Band**

Wednesday, March 13  
7:00pm  
**First Call**

Thursday, March 14  
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**Blues Jam**

Friday, March 15  
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**Pearl Alley**

Saturday, March 16  
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**Engine Room**

Wednesday, March 20  
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**Jazz Jam**

Thursday, March 21  
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**Blues Jam**

Friday, March 22  
7:00pm  
**Little Black Book**

Saturday, March 23  
7:00pm  
**Cadillac Jack**

Wednesday, March 27  
6:00pm  
**Acoustic Showcase**

Thursday, March 28  
6:00pm  
**Blues Jam**

Friday, March 29  
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March 6 **TRIVIA & KARAOKE IDOL**  
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March 7 **DJ NIGHT FEATURING 4 LOCAL DJ’S**  
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March 8 **THE GRAVITY & DJ MIKE**  
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March 14 **SALSA NIGHT & SALSA DANCE LESSON**  
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March 15 **PTK DANCE BAND & DJ MIKE**  
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March 16 **THE NEVERLAND BAND & DVS DAVE**  
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March 17 **ST. PATRICK’S PARTY**  
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March 19 **MEN NEXT DOOR UNCOVERED**  
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March 20 **TRIVIA & KARAOKE IDOL**  
*Every Wednesday – Trivia followed by Karaoke Idol Competition*

March 21 **DJ NIGHT FEATURING REGGAE, CARIBBEAN, DANCE**  
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March 22 **CLOSED FOR A PRIVATE PARTY**  
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March 23 **FUNKRANOMICON FUNK PARTY & DJ DVS DAVE**  
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March 27 **TRIVIA & KARAOKE IDOL**  
*Every Wednesday – Trivia followed by Karaoke Idol Competition*

March 28 **MIND THE GAP BAND**  
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March 29 **RED HOT & THE SALTINES PARTY BAND & DJ MIKE**  
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## Books Inc.



As we make our way into March, many of us are getting ready to celebrate one holiday or another. Here at Books Inc., we have a wide assortment of Easter and Passover classics that will have your young readers hopping and searching with excitement.

For those of us celebrating Ramadan, you might want to check out *Ramadan Kareem* by M.O. Yuksel (author of *In My Mosque*) and illustrated by Hatem Aly—who did the fantastic visuals in *The Proudest Blue*. This book is a delightful introduction to the month of Ramadan, showcasing the ways Muslims across the world celebrate. As Ramadan comes to a close, Muslims come together for Eid al-Fitr. In *The Most Exciting Eid*, written by Zeba Talkhani, follow along with Safa as she explores the true meaning of the holiday. With Safa, we can enjoy all the decorations and delights Eid has to

offer. And we can learn, just as Safa learns, how Eid is a day for sharing and connecting to those we love. Not to mention Abeeha Tariq's art style in this is vibrant!

Bring out the color! For those of us celebrating Holi, we have just the book for you and your little ones! *It's Holi!* by Sanyukta Mathur and illustrated beautifully by Courtney Pippin-Mathur is a brightly-colored, fun, inclusive, and informative book celebrating the festival Holi in a fictional work. Holi is about colors and spring, and this book has no shortage of either—lovely watercolor illustrations showcase a family's celebration—the food, the company, flowers, and the color powders. It follows Sameer, who celebrates Holi but gets anxious about using the powders. In a sweet gesture, his sister saves the day. Mathur's work includes an informative glossary, explanation of the holiday, and recipes

By Christine Cargnoni & Ashley Bailey

for Holi dishes and color powders!

In addition to the holidays coming up this month, March celebrates the world's women—past, present, and future. While March 8th is International Women's Day, take the whole month to learn and educate yourself on history often left out of the school textbooks with Book Inc's many essays, anthologies, novels, and history texts focusing on women—their history, struggles they continue to face today, and contribution to the world.

For all those history buffs out there, check out *The Librarian of Burned Books* by Brianna Labuskes, who has worked in politics-focused journalism. A beautifully-written and emotional World War Two novel of three women who are all interconnected, it doesn't hesitate to bring up hard topics and real-life, historical issues, some of which are still relevant today. The characters exude strength and hope while revealing the utterly human side of war and its painful impact on family, friendships, and humanity. A stellar plot, great twists, and lovely queer romance is sure to delight fans of action, war history, and books with diverse representation. It is one that will leave you thinking and mulling over for days, and is well-worth the read.

Finally, feed your inner feminist with this collection of short stories written by 15 award-winning authors such as the author of *The Handmaid's Tale*, Margaret Atwood, and the woman who wrote *Room*, Emma Donoghue. *Furies* explores all the (oftentimes vicious) names women have taken up through centuries of myths. Each entry dives into a wide array of genres, time periods, and perspectives. Come help rewrite wickedness into a form of empowerment!

March truly has so much to offer, and we at Books Inc. are excited to share it all with you. Looking forward, don't forget to join us for more excitement on the last Saturday in April, when we'll celebrate Independent Bookstore Day!

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## Before the Song: "FAME"

By Chris Jackson  
"Mayor of Silicon Valley"



John Lennon was one of David Bowie's idols. They eventually met, and less than a year later, Bowie invited Lennon to a studio jam session which ended up being the basis for a new song that Lennon called, "Fame."

The two had been discussing how being famous was not as useful as it appeared to be. Lennon even suggested to Bowie that he downsize to the point of not even having a manager. Bowie tried it and spent years with no manager; he would just hire different people to represent him here and there, depending on what the business arrangement required.

"Fame" starts with the sound of a guitar seemingly *fading in*. It's actually the strum of a guitar played by Lennon, and then played backwards. Instead of the strum and then ringing of

the guitar fading out, *the fade out is played backwards*, so it sounds like it's fading *in* - getting louder up to the point of the initial strum.

At that point, it's guitarist Carlos Alomar playing the funky guitar riff that reoccurs during the song. Bowie loved that riff the second he heard Carlos come up with it. Best line about fame in the song? "What you need you have to borrow." If you have to think about what he means by that for a minute—no problem, that's what a great lyric makes us do. ©

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By Sharon McCray, UCCE Master Gardener

ALL WHAT'S GOING ON

What a soggy, wet, windy and wild couple of weeks we have had. Trees are down everywhere and our gardens show the wear and tear. As I look out my window, I see bright yellow daffodils poking out all around and brilliant red amaryllis ready to pop! The season seems as confused as I do.

Mother Nature is sure full of surprises. But what is a befuddled gardener to do? It is too early for spring but we want sun and clear days. Warm nights would be an added bonus. Not allowing for Punxsutawney Phil's observation, I am somewhat skeptical that Old Man Winter isn't through with us yet.

It is time again to evaluate. Where are we now? What

worked last year and what didn't? Did that new variety of tomato you planted meet your expectations or are you ready to return to your old reliable variety? My personal favorite is Ace tomato, so I planted about a dozen seeds in January, put them on a warming mat and am pleased to know that when the soil warms, the days lengthen and nights stay pleasant, I can plant those seedlings and once again recall the day my Father introduced me to his personal favorite.

My advice, put on some warm clothes and rubber boots, if you have them, and step outside. What exactly is going on? Are the snails and slugs making their way to your lettuce and spinach?

Are the earwigs raising havoc with everything else. Too cold for aphids but be on the lookout.

Because I have lived in Santa Clara County for a very long time, I know that spring arrives when I start finding spittle bugs on everything. Spittle bugs are those white clumps of foam that cling to most everything in the garden, but especially the soft leafy perennials just making their way out of dormancy.

The easiest way to manage spittle bugs is with a blast of water from your garden hose. Inside that clump of foam lives a tiny green insect with a main goal to suck the life out of your plants. Once on the ground, they cannot

return to their perch and therefore, your problem is solved.

The other sucking pests, like snails and slugs, are just as easy to detect. Look for damage in the soft tissues of your tender plants. I have found that coffee grounds are a good deterrent when placed on the soil surrounding affected plants. Research has shown that caffeine can be fatal to slugs and snails. The old tried and true method of a shallow dish filled with beer is also an option, but I say, why waste the beer when a spoon of bread yeast in a basin of water will accomplish the same result.

Now as for those chewing insects such as earwigs, a

tuna-size can filled 2/3rds with soy sauce and a little cooking oil, will attract them, where they will promptly dive in for a drink and die. A little gruesome but this method will not harm your pets or wild birds.

Using rice hulls is a good way to manage water-logged areas in your garden. They can absorb a great deal of water as well as add organic material to your soil, a win win in my book. Make sure that those plants against your home and under eaves are getting their fair share of water as well. Hold off fertilizing anything until the soil and daytime temperatures warm. Most fertilizers won't activate until then.

WEST COAST CHEF



SPRING IS SPRINGING AND SINGING... By Bill Peil

After a very wet and windy February and winter, our resplendent countryside is awakening from a long slumber. Everything is nice and green, and the rivers and streams are flowing like never before.

Look for peak flavors from artichokes, arugula, asparagus, beets, bok choy, cauliflower, chard, collards, green garlic, kale, leeks, lemons, lettuces, onions, oranges, spring lamb, bay scallops, Dungeness crab, local rockfish and sole, bay scallops, young beets, first strawberries, Japanese and domestic eggplants.

People are starting to break out the shorts and sleeveless shirts (almost) and plotting their potential vegetable, and herb gardens. Spring cleaning turns into spring training, as we are as hopeful as we will ever be for the home teams.

We can always be Irish for a day come the 17th. My mother always threw a big sit-down bash for 15-20. Amazing that she was half Spanish, half Italian. Green martinis, green beer, platters of steaming corned beef, cabbage, carrots, onions, and potatoes cooked in the corned beef juices. Assorted mustards, horseradish, with Irish soda bread, Kerrygold butter, with a big platter of the first spring asparagus with evoo, and truffle aioli. Finish off with those little See's divinity potatoes, and mugs of Irish coffee.

I have had some magical times through the years at Harringtons, and Buena Vista, but none more so than the flamboyant celebrations through the years at CB Hannegan's, starting early and going well into the night. Oysters, clams, whole pigs, chickens, turkeys, ribs, sausages, and all the trimmings. Bagpipes and song going on forever. Sure miss John, Chris, and Bill Callahan.



During this festive holiday, support your local watering holes like Sushi Confidential, Katie Blooms, Courts, OCK, Be Steak A, Off the hook, Aqui, Vesper, Forthright, Capers, Wild Rose, 360ey6, Locanda Sorrento, Khartoum, Coach's, Cardiff, Distrito Federal, Water Tower, Cedar Room, Rock Bottom, Pacific Catch, Armellino's, the Garret, Little Lou's, Casa Lupe, Luna, just to name a few.

My friend Phil Cosentino, and his wife Jean, have a divine little 4 acre farm, that grows hundreds of varieties of the most explosively flavorful fruits, and vegetables ever. J and P

farm, certainly worth a detour off Kooser. We were once in the garden, searching for fava beans, and discussed childhood kitchen memories. He spoke of a resplendent spring stew made with fresh picked vegetables from the garden in early spring.

**COSENTINO FAMILY SPRING STEW**

- A dozen or so fresh asparagus spears
- 2 dozen shelled fava beans
- 2 bunches scallions
- 1 cup baby shelled fresh peas
- 12 or so baby artichokes
- 6-8 cloves of garlic
- 1 Tbsp. fresh chopped herbs. (I love tarragon, thyme, rosemary)
- Olive oil of good lineage
- Chicken or vegetable broth (water will do)
- Salt and ground pepper
- 1 Tbsp butter to finish.

After artichokes are peeled down to light green, simmer for 20 minutes in salted water. Cool and slice in half vertically. Steam asparagus for 2 minutes, cool, and slice into 2 inch chunks. Sauté sliced green onion in olive oil. Add everything else, a splash of white wine if you desire, and simmer until vegetables are tender to the bite. Finish with butter and serve. Great with crusty bread, a chunk of good cheese like Toma, some olives, and a glass of vino. Cheers, and Slainte' ...Billy

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**Ainsley House Concerts:**

The Ainsley House Concert series

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Coach's Corner

By Jay Harnden

INVEST THE TIME

You’ve heard this many times before; time is probably the best investment you can make in another person's life. We are so programmed to be “consumers” that we often forget just how important the gift of time can be. And it is of utmost importance that we teach this to our children and grandchildren.

Over the years I’ve dealt with so many people who are unable to grasp this concept, but once you do it can really improve your life. I can remember the first time I took my daughter on a “date”. My wife went out of town to a conference for work. She took my infant son with her because she was still nursing him. So my daughter, who was almost four years old, and I got dressed up and went to dinner at the Black Angus. I gave her flowers, held doors open for her, and pretty much taught her how to go on a date.

Fast forward many years, and my birthday was approaching, and my daughter came to me

and said she was going camping with her then boyfriend, now husband, and his family, and would be gone for my birthday. She also said that she already knew what she was going to give me...a date! She said, “just like you would take me”. So, we went to dinner and a movie to celebrate my birthday. It was one of the greatest gifts I have ever received.

So often we cannot even remember our gifts from Christmas, birthdays, or other occasions...I will never forget that birthday with my daughter. How often do we rack our brains trying to buy the perfect gift for someone, when the gift of spending time would be most wonderful gift of all?

I remember when my grandma was in a nursing home for the remainder of her life. We’d give her things like Kleenex, perfume, stuff like that for Christmas and birthdays, but what did she really want? For us to take time out of our day and just hang out and talk with

her. We did that quite often, and it was a terrific opportunity to get to know her better.

We don’t have to wait until people get old to give them the gift of time. Why not give it to our kids, grandkids, or friends? I have written before how many of us have way too much stuff, and we don’t use most of it and it takes up too much space in our homes. Last I heard, good memories don’t do that. They do, however, let you think back to some important, special times in your life when someone cared enough to create wonderful memories with you. My wife and I love to gift our grandkids things like special outings, little trips, memberships to places they can visit. They get their fair share of “stuff” but are also building special memories they can take with them for the rest of their lives. Give it a try if you haven’t already... get creative and give someone you love the gift of time.

Questions/comments: Fathermattersinc@aol.com



STORMY WEATHER

Airline travel can still be full of mystery for many with its own unique language and terminology, much of it designed to confuse and fool you!

You may wonder why so many naval terms are used in aviation. This goes back to the early days of flight. Left and right are port and starboard and aircraft are referred to as ships. Distances are still calculated in nautical miles.

But it is in the world of airline marketing that has its own wonderful terms they use to try and convince us that a product is superior than it seems or a change for the worse is in fact one for the better.

A change due to “Passenger Demand” can often mean “We closed the route the passengers really liked to put them on the route we couldn’t fill to make much more money”

“Increased Capacity” usually means they have cut the legroom to cram more seats in to the aircraft, and then offer seats with a little more space at an increased fee.

A simple economy class seat now comes in many sizes like Basic Economy, Economy, Economy Plus, Premium Economy etc. They’ll charge you more for a window seat with no guarantee that the window will stay put, so keep that seat belt fastened at all times.

If an airline says they’ve increased the legroom for free they have probably taken out all the seats. Now, that’s an interested concept to have all the passengers standing and strap-hanging. Just think how many they could cram in to a short flight.

If you hear of “A New Pricing Initiative” it probably means

that the fares are going up, and if “Restrictions Apply”, yes the fares are still going up.

If an airline offered “Code-share Convenience” they are doing it to make more money from you and then confuse you as to which terminal you do your check-in. Likewise a “Commercial Alliance” can mean you don’t know who you are flying with or what you are flying in.

Beware of a “Fares War” because once the winner kills off the competition you can be sure they will put the fares back up. “Service Enhancements” usually means they have found a cheaper way of doing it.

“Special Fares” are ones with so many restrictions that you are bound to end up having to change your booking for a fee that can sometimes be more than the original fare. While most discounted fares are “non-refundable”, in the USA changes can usually be made or the ticket canceled prior to departure and the money put to a future trip if booked at the time. However, with the change fee involved it may well be better to just throw away the old booking.

An “Improved Schedule” can mean they have made the flight time longer in the timetable so it improves their on-time performance.

Beware when an airline offers a “Direct Flight” to a destination. There is a fair chance that the aircraft will touch down somewhere en route and go through a change of aircraft so you have to get off. It is only the flight number that is direct.

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# Campbell Crime Report



By Carol W. Gerwitz

**500 blk. E. Hamilton Ave.:** Suspect was contacted and was in possession of multiple credit cards belonging to others. Suspect provided a false name but was identified via mobile ID and was found to have two outstanding warrants. Booked.

**300 blk. Budd Ave.:** Suspect chased a couple through the park while telling them to give his stuff back and threatening to beat them up. Suspect was contacted walking away from the park. Suspect punched officers while being detained and continued resisting and kicking officers. A meth pipe was located in his pocket. Suspect was determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Booked.

**300 blk. Budd Ave.:** Unknown Suspect spray-painted graffiti inside the men's bathroom. Report.

**200 blk. Superior Dr.:** Unknown Suspect stole the street sign. Report.

**500 blk. E. Hamilton Ave.:** Suspect was contacted after Reporting Party called to

report Suspect was preparing to leave the store with stolen merchandise. Suspect stole the merchandise and when contacted was in possession of a meth pipe, had a warrant for narcotics charges and was on parole. Booked.

**00 blk. N. 1st St.:** Suspect walked into the CPD lobby and requested to speak to an officer. Suspect was determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Booked.

**300 blk. Union Ave.:** Unknown Suspect entered Victim's unlocked garage and stole items, including a vehicle. Report.

**500 blk. Railway Ave.:** SJPD had a felony affidavit on file for Suspect. Dispatch served Suspect with an EPRO (Emergency Protective Restraining Order) stemming from that incident. Suspect was found to be in possession of a meth pipe and was under the influence of a controlled substance. Booked.

**1100 blk. Capri Dr.:** Victim located his stolen vehicle. Report.

**1700 blk. S. Bascom Ave.:** Unknown Suspect broke into

Victim's locked vehicle via a window smash and stole over \$2,000 in personal property. Report.

**500 blk. Millich Dr.:** Suspect was the driver of a vehicle which collided into a tree. Suspect was determined to be DUI and was arrested.

**2300 blk. S. Winchester Blvd.:** Suspect forced entry into the store, walked behind the cash register and stole various merchandise. Suspect was detained. Suspect was in possession of the merchandise and miscellaneous credit cards belonging to other people. Suspect had outstanding warrants for burglary, vandalism, and prowling. Booked into jail.

**400 blk. E. Hamilton Ave.:** Suspect embezzled from the business. To DA.

**1 W. Campbell Ave.:** Suspect was walking at the Community center reportedly yelling. Suspect ran after being contacted by officers. However, after a short foot pursuit, Suspect was apprehended and determined to be too intoxicated to care for himself. Booked.

**300 blk. N. 1st St.:** Victim provided unknown Suspect with her Personal Identification Information after clicking on a suspicious pop-up on her computer. No monetary loss. Report.

**300 blk. Dunster Ave.:** Victim and Suspect got into a verbal disagreement. Victim contacted CPD, and a records check revealed there was a served Domestic Violence Restraining Order with "no contact" order protecting Victim from Suspect. Suspect was in violation of the order and placed under arrest. Booked.

**W. Campbell Ave./STAR:** Suspect was the driver of a vehicle which collided with an EMS rig. Suspect was determined to be driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. Booked.

**1800 blk. S. Bascom Ave.:** Suspect was contacted after he was viewed shop lifting. Suspect was in possession of tools to defeat security devices and was under the influence of a Central Nervous System stimulant. Booked.

**1000 blk. Ridgeley Dr.:** Suspect was contacted after he

was reported pulling car door handles. Suspect was in possession of a meth pipe and a credit card not his own, and was under the influence of a CNS stimulant. Booked.

**200 blk. Los Gatos Creek Trail:** Suspect was called in for a welfare check. Suspect was contacted, and a records check revealed an outstanding felony warrant for Penal Code 245 (assault with a deadly weapon), PC 148 (resisting arrest) and PC 243 (battery). Arrested and booked into jail.

**Cervantes Wy. / Xavier Ct.:** Officer located an abandoned vehicle that had been reported stolen three weeks prior out of Fremont PD. Report.

**Creekside Wy./Campisi Wy.:** Suspect was contacted and found to be in possession of meth, burglary tools (postal keys), fraudulently purchased items, and multiple pieces of mail as well as Personal Identification Information belonging to various individuals. Booked.

**200 blk. E. Campbell Ave.:** Suspect slapped victim during an argument at a bar. Booked.

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If you are in need of some advice or help in this area, feel free to reach out to me. I'm here to help.

Jill

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UNITED WE STAND

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Ultimately I have faith in my fellow Americans to get through these difficult times when we realize that we have far more in common with each other than not. Divisive issues, though significant, often overshadow what we agree on. We must embrace our shared values, aspirations, and struggles, understanding that unity strengthens us all. By focusing on what unites rather than divides, we can forge stronger bonds and foster empathy for each other. Together, we can transcend differences, working towards collective goals for a better future.

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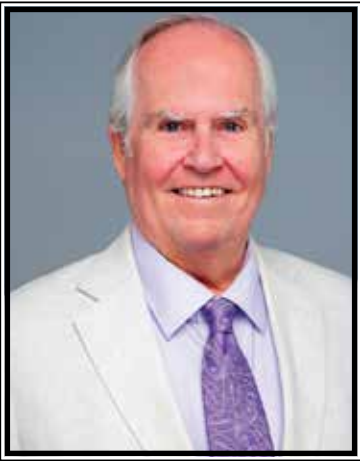
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- April 14: Heart Matter with Amy D & Dillion Vado
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  - In the Ainsley House Garden
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Preparing Your Home

By W. Gene Hunt, Realtor  
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On a recent listing appointment the question was asked, how can they maximize their sale? The owner/sellers wanted to get the highest return on the home of many years. These sort of questions open a Pandora's Box of answers covering service provided, compensation earned and shared, upgrades to the property, remodeling, landscaping, etc. All of these should be covered in a listing discussion. Where to start, however, is an involved discussion.

The question was posed after we had done a quick walk-thru of the home. The home was, generally, in good shape though it was clear updating would help them capitalize on its location and size. Of course, there were no

inspections available to give us a better idea of the condition of the home. So, where to begin when attempting to provide a full answer?

There's an old standard that an owner considering selling might want to consider. Fresh paint and new flooring go a long way to giving a home a clean and updated look. Back in the day, Realtors often used a beige colored carpet and an eggshell white to do the minimum needed. Contemporary buyers, though, are looking for something with a little more splash and that may involve remodeling different areas of the home. This is where a Realtor really shows their value.

Being aware of current trends in color, having access to contractors for simple painting to full scale whole-house remodeling, managing the actions necessary to get a home ready to sell are some of the talents a Realtor brings. But what can an owner/seller do to prepare a home for sale?

Begin by thinning out personal property. Commonly called decluttering, removing items that are no longer needed or used will help not only in the

sale but for the coming move. Another early decision to make is will the home be vacated while it's being offered for sale? Ideally it would be for a few reasons; first, it allows for any repair or upgrading to be done more efficiently and gives the Realtor time to stage the home with furnishing designed to help highlight the home and make it more attractive to potential buyers.

Another thing a seller/owner can do is clean up their yards. Curb appeal is the first step to inviting people into the home. If it looks good on the outside, they'll be invited in where, hopefully, they'll be greeted with a wow-factor that makes them write an offer on the home. Trimmed bushes, even trimmed trees help a buyer to see themselves living in a home.

As you can see, not all the answers to the initial question asked can be answered briefly or quickly. An in-depth interview with a Realtor is warranted. I'm available to help you prepare for the sale of your home. In an interview you'll find there is no one more dedicated to your goals. Please call or email me at (408) 887-4731 or [geneshomes@earthlink.net](mailto:geneshomes@earthlink.net).

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More VTA news: at the February VTA meeting, the board adopted the agency's first-ever Climate Action & Adaptation Plan, and on February 28th, VTA Chair and County Supervisor Cindy Chavez and VTA Vice Chair and Campbell Vice Mayor Sergio Lopez took part in an event to celebrate the team of staff, students, and community members who put the plan together. The action is timely as Campbell will be working on its own first-ever Climate Action Plan this year.



On February 2nd, the Valley Transportation Authority held a press event with Chair and Supervisor Cindy Chavez, Vice Chair and Vice Mayor Sergio Lopez, and Mayor Susan Landry to announce the new development. For some, the project is personal. "We grew up in housing insecurity, so I know what it's like to face those struggles — to not be sure how to keep a roof over your head," Lopez was quoted as saying.

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