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HORSES RESCUED DURING FLOOD

Cowgirls and cowboys save the day with the Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association

By Kevin Larsen
Times Staff Writer

The Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association reports that 28 stranded horses have been successfully rescued from the February 2017 San Jose Coyote Creek flood.

The horses were transferred for safety to Hope Ranch in Almaden and the South Bay Horse Ranch in Gilroy. The public became aware of the plight of the stranded horses when a KNTV helicopter streamed aerial photos and video on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

The first horse rescued was Brownie which was safely reunited with its owner after crews helped the animal cross a river. Horse owners said the rescues that happened gradually were necessary and riding across the river is the best thing for
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Anton Cao stands with his Calculus BC math teacher, Garry Redillas.

ONE OF ONLY 11 STUDENTS IN THE WORLD Cao earns 'Perfect' score on Advanced Placement Exam for second time

Evergreen Valley High School student Anton Cao for earned perfect scores on his Advanced Placement (AP) Calculus BC Exam for the second time.

This was the second time Cao earned a perfect score on an AP exam. His first perfect score came last year when he was an 11th grader and earned a perfect score on the AP Calculus AB Exam in Spring 2015.

Cao was 1 of only 11 students in the world to earn every point possible on the AP Calculus BC

Exam. Looking across approximately 4.7 million AP Exams taken by 2.6 million U.S. public high school students in 2016, close to 400 students earned every point possible on an AP exam, a rare accomplishment.

"Anton not only possesses an exceptional aptitude and love for math, but he also demonstrates impressive diligence and persistence, which places him into a rare species of students," said Garry Redillas, Cao's AP Calculus BC math teacher. "His congenial

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BEE-autiful community support for lost bee colonies

By Diane Blum
Times Staff Writer

The recent flooding in San Jose struck many in our community and the clean-up continues.

We keep hearing so many great stories relating to the community stepping up to offer aid; helping the many families impacted as well as assisting with clean-up efforts at the many parks that were flooded, including the Happy Hollow Park and Zoo. Portions of Happy Hollow were flooded under as much as four feet of water.

While the park's many zoo ani-



Most of the bee colonies and their hive "homes" at Happy Hollow Park and Zoo were destroyed by the recent flooding.

mals were kept safe from harm, some moved early in anticipation of the potential flooding; the park's honey bee apiary was significantly impacted. Most of the bee colonies and their hive "homes" were destroyed.

The Happy Hollow Zoo Bee Conservation Department maintained the 27 honey bee hives located at the Happy Hollow apiary which included hives from the San Jose Sunset 4-H program. The hives were knocked over by the rising flood water. Clean-up crews tried to clean

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Times **Local News**



'Technology in the Home' implemented by Evergreen School District

By Charles Crosby
Special to the Times

For the first time, nearly 50 Evergreen students will be bringing technology home with the implementation of "Technology in the Home."

Chromebooks are now used by the students at school and at home and families without internet will be provided online access through the Comcast Internet Essentials Program.

The program, launched earlier this month at an event at O.B. Whaley Elementary, is an effort to expand Evergreen's work on becoming a globally competent district.

In order to raise the bar for teaching and learning and help students compete in a technology-driven society, the District needed to go the extra mile. The "Technology in the Home" Program is among the first steps in this endeavor.

An integral part of the District's mission is to enhance how students learn in the classroom and help parents understand how their child is learning. Parents will be expected to participate in all of the scheduled classes throughout the year.

Several of the parents in attendance

expressed delight with the new program. "For my son that doesn't own a computer, I think this is fantastic," said Maria Rodriguez. "(This is a) wonderful program that is extremely needed in our Hispanic community. This is what you call 'giving back to the community'," added Saul Bravo.

"Ultimately, the District is confident that the investment in its kids will pay off for years to come," says Denise Williams, Evergreen's Director of Instruction. "The mindset that it will create in terms of how students and families learn, when we learn, how we teach, and how we connect with each other will fuel the classrooms and schools and create an exciting atmosphere for all concerned."

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'Coding for Kids' in grades 3-6 April 1-15

MathandCoding announces that its class "Coding for Kids" introduces kids in grades 3-6 to computer programming using visual programming languages will be held at Village Square Library.

Kids learn to develop games, stories, puzzles and more. This program is mainly for kids who have very little or no experience with any programming languages such as Scratch or Tynker.

The workshop consists of three one hour sessions so only register if your child can attend all three sessions

If you register and don't come to the workshop, you are taking the spot away from other students who are serious about attending and learning. So, register only if your child can attend all the three sessions.

This workshop has three sessions (April 1, 8, and 15 between 4.30 - 5.30 pm) at the Village Square Library. To register please visit mathandcoding.org

YMCA Silicon Valley awarded grant from National Inclusion Project

YMCA of Silicon Valley has received a grant from National Inclusion Project.

The grant allows the Y to deepen their impact and inclusion efforts with Camp, After School and Youth Sports programs.

Diversity and inclusion continue to be an incredibly relevant topic in today's climate.

Creating an inclusive environment where children with and without disabilities can play, learn and thrive together has brought the YMCA of Silicon Valley and the National Inclusion Project together once again in 2017.

At YMCA Camp Campbell, the Y's resident camp in Santa Cruz, children of all abilities come together through recreational activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, physical fitness and more.

"These inclusive experiences help children with disabilities improve self-esteem, social skills and confidence; while children without disabilities improve their leadership, problem solving skills and empathy," said Shiel Brockbank, Director of Program and Community Development at the YMCA of Silicon Valley. "These programs help children feel a sense of belonging, preparing them for a rewarding future, as they advance in school and eventually the workplace becoming valued members of their community."