

### Solidarity Statement

In the wake of recent events, we, at the City of Santa Clara, would like to reassure its citizens that we will stand in solidarity with those who have been the targets of discrimination and bigotry. The City of Santa Clara will not tolerate any hate crimes and the Santa Clara Police Department is committed to the highest professional standards when dealing with hate crimes and will fully investigate each case to ensure that we hold offenders fully responsible for their criminal conduct. We take great pride in our diverse population and welcome those from different backgrounds, nationalities, and cultures. The diversity in our city represents the texture and strength of our community. We will not let the recent trend of xenophobia continue, as we will not allow the members of our community to be intimidated, threatened, or marginalized. The City of Santa Clara will continue to embrace the diversity in our community and protect the rights of all of our citizens. Every member of our community is an integral part of the City's livelihood and strength. This is your home. Regardless of ethnicity, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, gender, or sexual orientation, the City of Santa Clara is your home.



### City Hall Closures

#### City Office Closure in February

City Hall is closed on Monday, February 20 for President's Day. There will be no change in regular Garbage, Clean Green and Recycling schedule.

### Triton Museum of Art News

#### Exhibitions/Events

**Imagery Art for Wine Collection: An Art & Wine Partnership**

**November 19, 2016 - February 12, 2017**

**Stephanie Lam: Thespians**

**November 12, 2016 - February 5, 2017**

**Katherine Levin-Lau: Symbiotic Ecologies: The Eclectic Visual Collection of Katherine Levin Lau**

**November 12, 2016 - February 5, 2017**

**Triton Museum of Art  
1505 Warburton Ave.  
Santa Clara, CA 95050  
(408) 247-3754  
[tritonmuseum.org](http://tritonmuseum.org)**

### Ethics, Honesty and Fairness in Public Service

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# Mission City Scenes

January 2017



## 76th Annual Camellia Show

**Community Recreation Center (969 Kiely Boulevard)**

**Saturday, February 25, 2-5 p.m.**  
**Sunday, February 26, 11a.m. - 4 p.m.**

Get ready for the 76th Annual Camellia Show! Co-sponsored by the Camellia Society and the Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Department, this free event is open to all and has long been a community favorite. Delight your senses as you stroll through the exhibits of hundreds of delicate blooms in different sizes and colors. Talk with experts about which camellia would be best for your yard, deck or terrace. Attend an educational lecture on how best to grow them. Again, this year there will be a camellia photography competition section. Novice photographers of all levels are invited to enter photos of camellias in a contest for prizes. In addition, the Camellia Society will be selling a variety of Camellia plants that are not found in local nurseries. Entries will be accepted on

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Saturday, February 25, from 6:30-10 a.m.. Camellia Society members will be on hand to help identify and place enteries. For more information or details regarding camellia entry or photography, contact John Mendoza at (408) 203-0011.

## Census 102: Digging Deeper in Little Known American Census Records

**Central Park Library Technology Center**

**Thursday, February 23, 10:15-11:45 a.m.**

Learn about the good and bad of different sources for the digital U.S. Censuses and discover other federal censuses in addition to the decennial ones. Hands on time will be provided so bring your information. No registration is required. This follows *Census 101, an Introduction to U.S. and State Censuses* which is held 1:00-4:30 p.m. Thursday, February 9 in the Central Park Library Redwood Room. For more information on Census 101 and to register, visit [www.scehgs.org](http://www.scehgs.org).

## 4th Annual Librarypalooza

**Central Park Library**

**Saturday, February 4, 6:30-9 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to celebrate the Santa Clara City Library at the 4th Annual Librarypalooza! This year's theme is "Breakfast at Tiffany's" and the event will have music, drinks, delicious food from the Mission College Culinary Arts Program, fun games and more. We'd love to see you there! Please visit [lovethelibrary.org](http://lovethelibrary.org) to buy tickets or for more information.

## Making a Green City Greener

Silicon Valley Power (SVP), the City's municipal electric utility, is committed to giving customers the lowest cost power available while also leaving a clean, healthy planet for future generations. In 2004, the City launched Santa Clara Green Power – a program that gives Santa Clarans the option to support a cleaner community by choosing 100% renewable energy on their electric bill. With the support of thousands of residents and businesses, 2016 was another award winning year for *Santa Clara Green Power*. Once again SCGP has been named as one of the top 10 green power programs in the nation by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), the U.S. Department of Energy's national laboratory for renewable energy research and development, landing honors on three of the four top ten lists.

### ...Choose Green Power!

For those who participate in Santa Clara Green Power, SVP will purchase Green-e Energy Certified® renewable energy certificates from 85% California solar and 15% Western wind facilities to match the electricity their home or business uses each month. These clean, zero emission-energy facilities do not emit harmful particulate matter or greenhouse gases and will leave future generations with a legacy of sustainable energy. The average Santa Clara Green Power participant will prevent over 7,300 pounds of CO2 from disbursing into the atmosphere each year. That's equivalent to the carbon removed from the atmosphere annually by 2.8 acres of pine forests or by not driving a car for eight months.

Participants pay a slight premium (1.5 cents more per kWh) to offset 100% of their home's electricity use. For the typical household in Santa Clara, this costs an average \$7.50 more per month (actual cost varies each month based on usage) and participants can cancel at

any time. Any SVP customer can join and be part of this legacy. To learn more and sign up for 100% Green Power, visit [siliconvalleypower.com/green](http://siliconvalleypower.com/green), or call (408) 244-SAVE (7283).

## Abandoned Vehicles

Are there cars parked on your street that never get used? Do they sit there collecting cobwebs and debris? The Santa Clara Police Department offers an Abandoned Vehicle Hotline, available 24 hours a day, which allows citizens to report any vehicle(s) that they believe are abandoned. The hotline number is (408) 615-4778.

Santa Clara Municipal Code Section 10.05.470 prohibits parking or storage of any vehicle(s) on a public street for more than 72 consecutive hours. Excluded from the City's abatement program are: any vehicle(s) parking or stored on private streets, commercial properties and/or rental housing properties, including parking lots. Under California Vehicle Code Section 22658, it is the financial and legal responsibility of the private property owner to deal with abandoned vehicles on their property. Santa Clara Municipal Code Section 10.10.010 prohibits the storage of any abandoned, disabled, dismantled or inoperative vehicle(s) or parts thereof on private single-family residential properties in a location where they would be visible from the public right-of-way. Such violations may be declared to constitute a public nuisance for criminal, civil and/or administrative abatement actions.

Non-compliance will result in the issuance of citations and/or towing of the vehicle. All costs for citations, towing, storage fees and city vehicle release fees must be paid by the vehicle owner before the vehicle will be released. Once reported, the Police Department Traffic Division will ensure that the problem is resolved. Please have the following information ready when you call the hotline: location, make, model, color and license plate.