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THE LIFE OF JUANA BRIONES

UNDER FOUR FLAGS

Born near Mission Santa Cruz, she lived as a citizen of Spain, Mexico, California, and the United States.

LAND OWNER

She was the only woman in her era to own a large ranch that did not come to her as the daughter or widow of a powerful man.

HEALER

All her life she cared for others. A visitor to her ranch as late as 1848 records her nursing an Indian child and a Portuguese sailor.

A LIFE WELL-LIVED

She survived much, yet is remembered as a woman who enjoyed celebrating with family at an annual fiesta in the hills above her beloved valley.



In the Footsteps of Juana Briones

Juana de la Briones y Tapia de Miranda died in Mayfield, December 3, 1889. Born in 1802, near Mission Santa Cruz into the first generation of Spanish-speaking settlers in California, she died a wealthy woman, owning a huge ranch in what became Los Altos Hills and more land in Palo Alto, San Francisco and around the Bay. No one knows how she gained her expertise in business, but her biographer, Jeanne Farr McDonnell, says she seemed to have a kind of personal magnetism that served her well. [CONTINUED ON PAGE 2.]





Above: Mayfield's main street, when Juana moved there, was along El Camino Real at Page Mill Road. It looks humble, but in the 1880s, Mayfield had both a railroad station, and a telegraph office—note the telegraph poles. (Photo courtesy of Palo Alto Historical Association.)

Juana Briones remained at her ranch house in the gentle California foothills, off Arastradero Road, until she was 82 years old and suffering from rheumatism. When she finally moved, in 1884, it was to a home she built in Mayfield, the first Palo Alto town site. It was just three miles from her ranch, near what is now the corner of Birch and Page Mill, though the

house has not survived. There, she was closer to two of her married daughters, Refugio and Manuela, to her beloved church, and just down the street from the railroad station. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were able to attend public school, a benefit not available to her. The toddlers were eligible for something else—an innovative kindergarten founded by her neighbor, Jane (Mrs. Leland)

of her property: it became Alta Mesa Memorial Park. Her ranch house, some of it made of redwood lumber milled above Redwood City, survived into the twenty-first century, but was razed after a long court fight in 2011. Earlier, in 2007, the state had named the site a California Registered Historical Landmark and installed a plaque (pictured below), which remains at the foot of what was once her drive. Preservationists saved pieces of the original walls of her house and they have become parts of exhibits about her. There is now an elementary school and a park in Palo Alto named for Juana Briones.

Silicon Valley's David Packard and his wife Lucile, who deeded the property to their foundation, which cares for them today. Before it belonged to Packard, it had been part of Juana's Rancho La Purísima Concepción. She sold off that piece long ago to valley pioneer Martin

If you want to see some of the impressive land she owned, drive up El Monte into Los Altos Hills and pass Foothill College on your right. That was hers and so was much of the rest of the land in Los Altos Hills. When you come to the fork at Moody Road and Elena, drive up Elena to Taaffe Road. As you head into the hills, you will notice several large apricot orchards on your left. Those belonged to

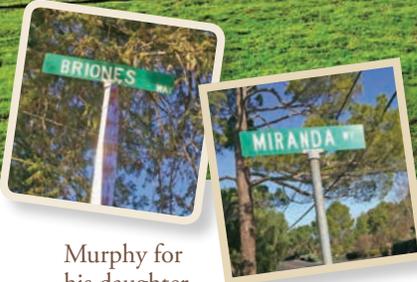
Stanford, in a house just around the corner from Juana's Mayfield home.

Though most of her ranch property became Los Altos Hills, her ranch house, at 4155 Old Adobe Road, ended up within the city limits of Palo Alto, as did the land she left her son Tomás Miranda. You may have heard of that piece

Cover: Photo of Juana Briones' home taken in 1988. Juana's home was razed in 2011. But the battle over its preservation revived interest in her story and led to Jeanne Farr McDonnell's book about her. Above: In 1886, Juana's neighbor, Mrs. Leland Stanford, opened the region's first free kindergarten in Mayfield. This picture must have been taken after a party, since all the children are wearing party hats. (Photos courtesy of Palo Alto Historical Association.)



VISITING JUANA BRIONES



Murphy for his daughter Elizabeth Taaffe. Los Altos Hills contains about 8.9 square miles of land or about 5696 acres: Juana Briones once owned 4,438.94 acres of it, or almost exactly 4/5ths of the whole town.

She is buried in a plot in a cemetery you have probably passed dozens of times on your drives in the region. Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, at 1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo



Park, was established in the nineteenth century and it is here Juana Briones was laid to rest. After her original marker turned to dust, the public thought her burial place had been lost. But Holy Cross keeps meticulous records and in 2007, the cemetery's operations manager, Mark Addiego, found her

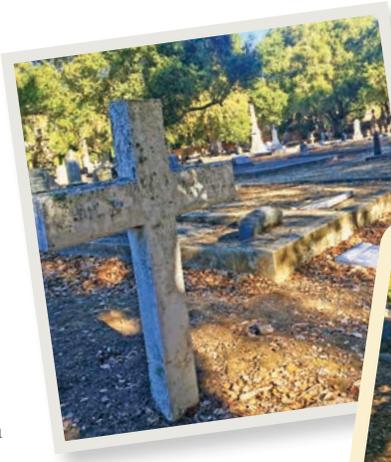
Juana de la Briones y Tapia de Miranda is today remembered throughout Los Altos Hills and she would still recognize the community's rural landscape.

records under her married name, Miranda. The California history club, E Clampus Vitus, paid for a new marker. For the record, she is buried in Section 49, Plot 11 in the cemetery's oldest section.

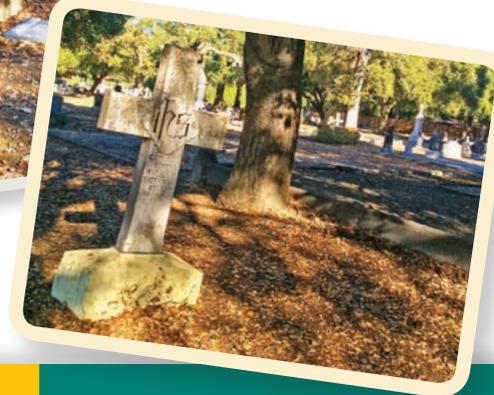
She followed no discernible pattern for success set down in her era or any other, and checked none of the boxes we expect from a heroine of history. She didn't lead an army or a country. She did not—and could not—write her own story, since she had no formal education. She was, by all accounts, a devout and observant Catholic and thus did not seek success in crime or any of the other dark pages of history's stories.

Juana Briones was unique and self-created. Some of the smartest people on the planet now live on her land. She had it first. Tough in business, she never forgot to be compassionate. Her story is unlikely, which is why it is so intriguing. In debt to no one for the woman she became, she was entirely self-invented. That is the story of Juana Briones.

In 2007, Juana Briones' final resting place was rediscovered under her married name, Miranda, at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, 1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park. To visit, enter the cemetery at the narrow white gates, which are the second entrance off Santa Cruz from Junipero Serra Boulevard. Park at the flag stand near the entrance and walk to your left. On the left-hand roadway, look right for the Cain family plot, and begin to count your strides. In about 80 strides you will reach the Greer plot, marked on the right. Just past the Greer plot, turn right and walk a few steps. The Juana Briones marker will be on your right.



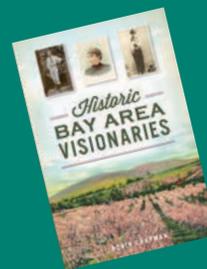
Juana now rests with her family in the oldest section of one of the oldest Catholic cemeteries on the Peninsula. Near her grave is a marker for Teresa Necro, born in 1873, who died in 1956. At right, is a cross marking the graves of the Semerias, born in the 1840s—residents who walked the land as contemporaries of Juana Briones. (Photos on this page courtesy of Robin Chapman.)



The life of Juana Briones has both local and international resonance and is featured in a new exhibit at the Los Altos History Museum. The exhibit, designed by resident **Alexander Atkins**, explores her roles as healer, entrepreneur, and woman of the changing California landscape. "Inspired by Juana: La Doña de la Frontera" will continue through March 31, 2019.



Los Altos History Museum
51 S San Antonio Road
Los Altos



This article, the third in a three-part series by local writer **Robin Chapman**, is excerpted from her new book, *Historic Bay Area Visionaries*, published this fall by the History Press. The book profiles six fascinating people in California's past including Juana Briones.



Short-Term Rental registration program for Los Altos Hills

In April 2018, the City Council adopted regulations for short-term rentals within the town. Short-term rentals are defined as transient lodging on a residential property for a period of less than 30 days and are only permitted on a property that is the owner's primary residence.

The town recently entered into an agreement with Host Compliance, a private firm that specializes in short-term rental monitoring and compliance for local governments. Host Compliance identifies the address, type of unit, and the rental terms for currently available rentals in town based on a review of the various short-term rental websites on the internet. In addition, the company provides continuous monitoring, on-line registration, and a 24-hour hotline for complaints.

On February 1, 2019, the system will go live and all short-term rental units operating in town will be required to register for a short-term rental license in order to comply with the town's ordinance. The 24-hour complaint hotline (650) 880-6330 will also become active on February 1, 2019.

Please visit the registration website at: <https://secure.hostcompliance.com/los-altos-hills-ca/permit-registration>. There will be a grace period of 60 days (until 5:00 p.m. on April 1, 2019) to complete registration for a rental unit.

If you have any questions regarding the registration of your short-term rental. Please contact the Planning Department at 650-941-7222. The complete ordinance can be found on the Town's website at www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/382/Short-Term-Rentals.

Suzanne Avila, AICP, is planning director

FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Residential Burglaries

Statistically, Los Altos Hills is one of the safest communities in California. Unfortunately, Los Altos Hills, and its neighbor, Los Altos, have both seen an increase in burglaries.

In 2018, there were 26 residential burglaries, which represents less than 1% of the properties in the town. (By comparison, Los Altos had 80 burglaries in 2018.) Although the number of residential burglaries did increase from last year, the total is below the 15-year average of 28 per year. Of course, a burglary can be a traumatic



Carl Cabill

event for a family. Town staff and the Sheriff's Office are committed to preventing personal and property crimes.

Sheriff's Captain Rich Urena continues to recommend resident vigilance as a successful crime prevention strategy. The table below shows the numbers of calls received by the Sheriff's office from residents regarding suspicious people and vehicles.

RESIDENT CALLS RECEIVED BY SHERIFF		
	Suspicious People	Vehicles
2016	91	266
2017	66	248
2018	86	292

Urena noted that it is very helpful to the Sheriff's Office when residents promptly call 911 and report any suspicious vehicles and persons in their neighborhoods. Urena also



reports that 40% of the residential burglary cases last year involved entry into a home through an unlocked window, door or garage. Urena strongly encourages residents to lock all doors and windows and use alarm systems. Some good news is that of the 25 residential burglaries in town in 2018, seven incidents had zero or no known property taken, and the homes appeared to have some type of activated alarm or working video surveillance system in place.

Affordable Housing

How much do Town residents contribute in dedicated property taxes towards a solution? Most people living in Santa Clara County know that the cost of housing is very high throughout the county and that there is a dire lack of affordable housing for low-income residents. According to the state government, a family of four is considered to have low income if they earn in the range of \$39,900 and \$94,450 annually.

In response to the housing crisis, voters of the county passed Measure A in 2016 with a more than two-thirds majority. Measure A provides for the sale of up to \$950 million in bonds for building of 4,800 permanent affordable housing units over 10 years. The funding for Measure A comes from additional property taxes based on the assessed value of the property. The maximum tax rate for Measure A is \$12.66 per \$100,000 of assessed value.

To put that in a local perspective, the total net taxable assessed value of all property in Los Altos Hills is about eight billion dollars with approximately 3,000 residential parcels. Dividing eight billion by 3,000 parcels gives an average net assessed value per parcel of \$2.7 million. For example, the owner of a home valued at \$2.7 million by the Tax Assessor's Office, would pay \$12.66 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation or \$329 in total. Thus, the total annual affordable housing tax contribution from all town property owners is approximately \$987,000 (based on \$329 x 3000).



Town Launches Digital Art Gallery

The Los Altos Hills Public Art Committee recently introduced the Digital Art Gallery, a new online fine art showcase, to complement the physical public art it places on town lands (see Our Town December 2017 issue). The Digital Art Gallery is accessible via the town's website at: www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/417/Digital-Gallery-Art-by-Local-Artists

The recently launched LAH Digital Art Gallery provides an excellent vehicle to gain visibility for one's talents with others. It offers a way for community members to engage with each other and discover locally-produced fine art to enjoy or collect. The digital approach to a public art gallery also reflects our blending of technological and cultural practices and perspectives in Silicon Valley. It is this combination of qualities that motivated the Public Art Committee of Los Altos Hills to explore an innovative new method to share local art publicly.

Artists living in Los Altos Hills are invited to submit a selective portfolio of their artwork for consideration to be featured for a period of one to two months. Local artists can submit any type of art as long as a high-quality digital representation of the artwork can be created for online viewing.

Criteria for artist submissions can be found on the Public Art Committee's website under "Helpful Documents - Digital Art Gallery - Artist Submission Guidelines - December 20, 2018." There is no application fee or display fee. Plus, artists retain full copyright to their artwork that is displayed online. If you would like to submit art for the Public Art Committee to review or have questions about the gallery please send an email to CommitteePublicArt@gmail.com.

Article and Photo: "Piercing the Sky" by Robyn Aber. Aber is a member of the Los Altos Hills Public Art Committee.

VOLUNTARY PATHWAY EASEMENTS CAN CLOSE THE GAPS



Have you ever wondered why a scenic path ends abruptly, leaving you just short of a connection to a nearby street? Very likely the Town of Los Altos Hills lacks the easement necessary to complete the route. Owners of properties where missing links occur can donate a pathway easement and help the Town finish neighborhood loops. Like a charitable gift, a voluntary pathway easement could have a positive tax benefit for the donor; however, you should always confirm with your tax advisor.

What is a pathway easement?

An easement is an irrevocable right to use some part of another person's real property for a particular purpose. The purpose of a pathway easement is to allow only public passage or crossing on foot, on horseback or on a bicycle. In Los Altos Hills pathway easements are generally

ten feet wide. Paths themselves are typically five feet wide but can be narrower, depending on the circumstances. The idea is to allow the path to meander within its easement.

Once dedicated, a pathway easement is part of the property deed and remains in place regardless of changes in ownership. The land beneath the easement is private, but the town takes responsibility for maintenance of any path surface that is constructed. Though pathway easements must remain free of all obstacles, the easement does not reduce the developable area of a parcel.

Every path segment is built within an easement or within a road right-of-way. Early in the town's history, developers of subdivisions granted pathway easements as an integral part of their project. Today, subdivisions, even undeveloped lots, are rare. Easements on developed parcels can only be required as these parcels are re-developed. Often, 50 years elapse between the original building and a major remodel.

What can you do?

Voluntary pathway easements can significantly reduce the wait-time for completing missing links in the pathway system. Town staff can help draw up the necessary documents.

To explore the possibility of donating a pathway easement on your property, please contact city manager Carl Cahill at ccahill@losaltoshills.ca.gov or 650-941-7222.



Los Altos Hills YOUTH COMMISSION

The Los Altos Hills Youth Commission (LAHYC) is a team of dedicated student members ranging from 6th graders to high school seniors that represent the teens of Los Altos Hills in local government. The purpose of the LAHYC is to support a higher level of civic involvement by youths in Los Altos Hills.

For the past year, the LAHYC has been led by two co-presidents: Katelyn Moussavian and Sanjana Mishra, who are seniors. Both of them enjoy leading meetings because they can help contribute their ideas to important conversations and making sure everyone stays on task. Moussavian's favorite event is the Leadership Conference "I like the Leadership Conference because I learn valuable lessons about the importance of leadership skills in the community."

Each year, the LAHYC organizes signature events: Technology for Seniors, Movie Night, Leadership Conference, and the Halloween Monster Bash. The LAHYC hosts the Technology for Seniors event as a way to help and teach senior citizens who need assistance in using computers, smart phones or other electronic devices. Another popular event for the local youth is Movie Night. Usually held at Town Hall Council Chambers, this event is aimed at developing a stronger sense of community for young people living in Los Altos Hills. The Leadership Conference showcases influential speakers, including Senator Jerry Hill, the Los Altos Hills mayor, and local community leaders. The Halloween Monster Bash provides a great opportunity for youth to get into the Halloween spirit with spooky games, tricky contests, sweet treats, and watching a fun Halloween-themed movie.

The LAHYC is committed to making a difference in the Los Altos Hills community by regularly volunteering at the annual Town Picnic, Hoedown, Barn Lighting, and the Pathways Run/Walk. Youth Commission members also volunteer at Don Giovanni's by peeling potatoes and other vegetables for free Thanksgiving meals.

The LAHYC meets the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the Parks and Recreation Building at Town Hall. Currently the LAHYC is actively recruiting new members. If you are a Los Altos Hills resident (6th - 12th grade) and are interested in volunteering in your community please join this active and fun group of teenagers. To learn more attend a meeting or contact Youth Commission staff liaison Chris Knopf at cknopf@losaltoshills.ca.gov or call 650-947-2506.



WHAT TO SHRED?

Immediately

- Sales receipts
- ATM receipts
- Paid credit card statements
- Paid utility bills
- Credit offers
- Cancelled checks (that are not tax-related)
- Expired warranties

Up to 1 year

- Pay stubs
- Bank statements
- Paid, undisputed medical bills

After 7 years

- Tax-related receipts
- Tax-related cancelled checks
- W-2s
- Records for tax deductions taken

It depends...

- Auto titles
 - Keep as long as you own the vehicle
- Home deeds
 - Keep as long as you own the property
- Disputed medical bills
 - Keep until the issue is resolved
- Home improvement receipts
 - Keep until you sell your home and pay any capital gains taxes

Keep Forever

- Birth certificates
- Social Security cards
- Marriage or divorce decrees
- Citizenship papers
- Adoption papers
- Death certificates
- Tax returns



SPRING SHREDDING

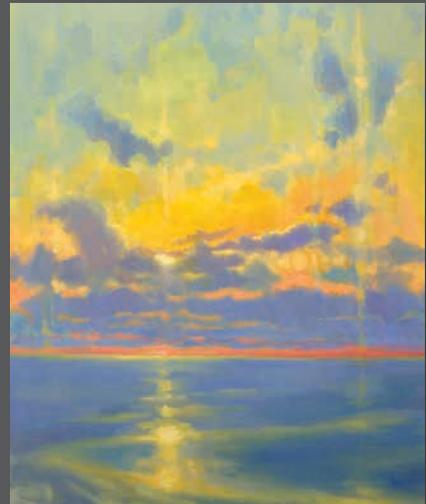
This April, the Town of Los Altos Hills will hold its first Shred Event. As a free community service, the Shred Event will provide town residents with an opportunity to dispose of confidential and personal documents in a secure and environmentally responsible way. Residents can bring up to five standard file boxes or five brown paper bags full of paper documents to be shredded. The commercial-grade shredders will accept papers bound by staples or rubber bands, however documents will need to be free from binders and binder clips. Proof of residency is required.

The catalyst for the Shred Event was a resident's suggestion shared during a recreational walk organized by the town's Parks and Recreation Department. The resident shared the trials and tribulations of a recent spring cleaning and noted that the toughest task was the purging of piles of paper which occupied the garage. Most of the dusty boxes were full of documents that contained sensitive data and personal information which prevented him from simply tossing the documents in the waste bins. To avoid becoming the latest victim of fraud or experiencing an invasion of privacy she hired a mobile document shredding business. "Perhaps," she suggested, "the town might consider offering shred services to the community."

Subsequently, town staff began exploring that very idea. Staff contacted local shredding service providers to analyze which contractor could best provide a secure, cost-effective, and environmentally responsible means to dispose of confidential documents. Once a vendor was selected (Corodata, based in San Jose), the next step was to choose a date: Saturday, April 6, from 9:00 am until noon, or until the truck is full. Residents are encouraged to come early and take advantage of this free service. Not sure what to shred? See the highlight box on the right for suggestions.

If the event is successful, residents can expect the shredding program to continue. If you have any ideas for other beneficial community programs please share it on the town's website: losaltoshills.ca.gov/proposalform.

BREAKING SKIES



Timon Sloane's solo art exhibit "Breaking Skies" will be on display at Town Hall from March to September 2019. The artist is featuring an exciting new body of work that explores the line between the impressionist and the realistic. In this recent work, Sloane prominently features skiescapes. While still capturing an inner luminosity, the artist is breaking the norms and breaking the subject down to explore what is possible in the process of trying to capture the energy and experience of beautiful moments.

Known for luminous landscape paintings that glow as if lit from within, Sloane's journey to becoming a noted professional artist is as unique as his interpretation of the California landscape. Interestingly, Sloane's professional career didn't start in art. He had his hand in the development of the Internet where he was an early pioneer developing innovative technologies and building innovative products that impact our daily lives today. Then, after completing a number of successful high-tech endeavors, Sloane left to pursue his passion for painting.

Pursuing fine art didn't come out of the blue. Sloane, who painted in his early years, was raised in a community of internationally-known artists. In college he studied fine art in parallel with his major, computer science. At the age of 43, Sloane made the bold move of switching careers wholesale to elevate art to a dominant role in his life.

Now, with over ten years as a professional artist, Sloane has become recognized and known for his luminous landscape paintings. His paintings are exhibited worldwide through a dedicated following of collectors throughout the United States, Europe, and the Pacific Rim. He has been represented by a number of galleries and has been honored with awards, publication, and invitations from prestigious national-level shows. To learn more, visit: www.timonsloane.com.

The community will have the opportunity to visit Sloane's exhibit as part of the Silicon Valley Open Studios on Saturday, May 4, 2019, 11 am to 5 pm. Silicon Valley Open Studios, now in its 30th year, is a free and very popular annual event that brings together art enthusiasts with local artists in Silicon Valley. Attendees will be able to meet the artist and hear him discuss his work and ask questions about his technique. The artist's reception, to be held at Town Hall on Sunday, May 5, from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, will feature live music, refreshments and wine.



Cold or Flu?

With winter in full swing, it is important to know what steps to take to prevent winter health risks. While

Los Altos Hills residents do not typically have to worry about slipping and falling on icy pavement or risking a heart attack from shoveling snow like others throughout the United States, there is still a risk of catching a cold or seasonal influenza (flu).

The common cold and flu are both respiratory illnesses but they are caused by different viruses. Both colds and the flu are easily transmitted, passing from person to person through the air by coughing or sneezing and through contact between people.

While it is nearly impossible to avoid coming into contact with cold or flu viruses altogether, there are some simple steps to take to help maintain health:

- Stay away from people who are sick
- Wash hands for at least 40 seconds with warm water and soap often
- Sneeze or cough into the crook of your arm
- Avoid touching the eyes, nose and mouth
- Get plenty of sleep
- Keep physically active and exercise regularly
- Stay hydrated and drink plenty of water
- Dress appropriately for the cold weather

Because colds and the flu have similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. In general, the flu is worse than the common cold, and symptoms are more intense. People can develop very serious complications associated to the flu.

Colds

Colds are very common and are the leading cause of missed days from school and work. The average adult experiences two to three colds each year and children have more according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Colds are usually not serious. While cold symptoms are the number one reason for doctor visits, most people with colds do not need to be seen by a doctor.

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Symptoms of a cold can be felt about one to four days after catching a cold virus. This time period is also when an infected person is most contagious. A scratchy or sore throat is often the first symptom of a cold and is gradually followed by sneezing, runny or congested nose. Nasal discharge may be clear, cloudy, yellow or green. Other symptoms of a cold may include: mild fever, feeling tired and sleepy, headache; postnasal drip, throat clearing, cough; and sometimes hoarse voice, watery eyes, and swollen lymph nodes in the neck.

There is no cure for a cold and most people recover within about seven to 10 days. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems, such as pneumonia, bacterial infections or hospitalization. Elderly persons and individuals with a weakened immune system are at higher risk of developing complications.

Flu

According to the CDC, between five percent and 20% of the U.S. population comes down with the flu each year, and as many as 200,000 people are hospitalized for flu-related complications. There are two main types of flu virus – Types A and B – that routinely spread in people and are responsible for seasonal flu epidemics each year. The flu viruses are constantly changing. Vaccines are given each fall to protect against the flu virus strain expected to cause the most illness that year.

Flu is different from a cold in many ways. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. The flu usually starts abruptly, with fever, muscle aches, sore throat, and a cough. People who are sick with flu often feel some or all of these symptoms as well: extreme exhaustion and fatigue for several days or weeks; headache; runny or stuffy nose; sneezing at times; and vomiting and diarrhea. Special tests are usually conducted within the first few days of illness to confirm if a person has the flu.

Symptoms of the flu develop usually about two days after exposure to the virus but can range from one to four days. Adults can be infectious from one day before symptoms develop and up to five to seven days after symptoms start. Young children can be infectious for seven or more days after onset of symptoms. Fever and body aches usually last for three to five days, but cough and fatigue may last for two weeks or more. Although most people are sick with the flu for only a few days, some have a much more serious illness. They may need to go to the hospital. The flu can also lead to pneumonia and death.

Regardless of suspected illness type, call 9-1-1 if there is severe difficulty in breathing including struggling for each breath, unable to speak or cry because of difficulty breathing and making grunting noises with each breath, or extreme weakness such as inability to stand. Also, seek medical attention if there is difficulty in breathing and it is not from a stuffy nose, a fever is present for more than three days or temperature is higher than 103° F or feel weak or very sick.

El Camino Hospital is located at 2500 Grant Road in Mountain View. The entrance to the Emergency Room is on South Drive. To find a primary care physician affiliated with El Camino Hospital, call 800-216-5556.





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CALENDAR

**March
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Sat., 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Leadership Conference
Join the Los Altos Hills Youth Commission at their 8th annual Leadership Conference at Town Hall Council Chambers.

**April
6**

Sat., 9:00 am – Noon
Shred Event
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Sun., 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Earth Day Celebration
Celebrate the planet and learn about green organizations. The popular large cat shows are at 1:30 and 3:00 pm. No dogs allowed.



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Sat., 9:00 – 10:30 am
Hoppin' Hounds Biscuit Hunt
Bring your dog to Byrne Preserve for an on-leash biscuit hunt benefiting Pets in Need.

**May
4**

Sat., 11:00 am- 5:00 pm
Breaking Skies Art Exhibit
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Art Reception
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Sat., 9:00 am
Pathways Run/Walk
Sign up for your community 5K/10K or 1-mile races today online at www.lahpathwaysrun.org.



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Sat., 10:00 – Noon
Touch a Truck
Bring your kids to visit all the different trucks that service the town, including: Public Works, Fire, Sheriff, Green-Waste, and Bookmobile.



**June
2**

Sun., 12:30 – 4:00 pm
Town Picnic
A direct mailer will be sent in May when registration opens. Join fellow residents for the largest event of the year! Lunch and an afternoon at Purissima Park.

Calendar events are also posted on town's website: www.losaltoshills.ca.gov