Alumni Newsletter

Fall 2024 Edition

Hello LMH Alumni!

We hope you had a great summer and this Fall edition of the LMH Alumni newsletter finds you well!

The goal of this seasonal newsletter is to ***Communicate, Connect and Engage*** LMH Alumni. The Alumni committee has embarked on sending out seasonal newsletters that align with the on-going activities of LMH. We look forward to hearing from you to find out if this newsletter is helpful and interesting.

This edition highlights recent **Board and Committee Activities, LEAD Event in July, Alumni Help Needed, 2024 Class Graduation, Missing Alumni list, the newly added Leadership Corner and more.**

LMH Board Activities

The LMH Board currently consists of 20 Directors including 5 Executive Committee Members, as well as, a Program Facilitator and Program Administrator. The Board held monthly meetings and many of the covered topics these meetings are listed in this newsletter. In October Steve Tate will relinquish his role of President to Daniel Sanidad. Steve will remain on the Board.

If anyone is interested in participating on the Board, please contact Steve Tate or Daniel Sanidad at, **stevetate@charter.net or Daniel Sanidad at djsanidad@gmail.com**

Board members can also support several Committees such as Alumni, Marketing, Technical/IT, Recruiting, Community Leadership and Executive. If you have any interest in helping us out part time and participating on any of these committees or events sponsored by LMH please let us know by contacting Mark Matthews, markmatt17217@gmail.com
For more information, please go to **www.leadershipmorganhill.com**

Alumni Help Needed

- ***Recruitment Committee***

The Application for the class of 2025 is available at the LMH website!
As a valued Alumni or Friend of Leadership Morgan Hill, we would like your continued help in recruiting community members for future classes. If you know someone who lives and/or works in Morgan Hill that would benefit from participation in the next (2025) class, please have them go to https://www.leadershipmorganhill.com/application-2025 to fill out an application.
You can also help us identify leaders in our community and those that you feel would make a great addition to a future class of Leadership Morgan Hill by completing our Referral Form. The recruitment team will prioritize and reach out to all referrals in a timely fashion for the next available class year. Any questions you have about this process can be sent to recruiting@leadershipmorganhill.org
Referral Form - https://forms.office.com/r/sCfdYTmxbp - See the QR Code below



- ***Sponsorship and/or Donations Needed***

LMH currently charges $1,500 per student for the Leadership Program. The actual cost of the course per student is closer to $3,500. Therefore LMH, which is a non-profit 501c3, relies on donations and sponsorships throughout the year to maintain its budget. Think about how you benefited from the program and consider paying it forward to help us offset the additional costs.
Don't forget to include matching contributions from your employer if you work for an organization with matching contributions. If you use PayPal to make a donation, click the link to pay, then email **gaxiolagroup@gmail.com** with the subject line: Class of 20xx and the amount you donated. If you send in a check, please note in the memo your class and we will tally those up too. Once again, we appreciate your support. We are a 501c3 organization and your contribution can be tax deductible.

- ***July 4th Celebration and Parade***

LMH and this years' LEAD Honoree, Terry Moriyama, participated in the Morgan Hill annual 4th of July Parade celebration.





Leadership Excellence Award Dinner (LEAD) Event

The Leadership Excellence Award Dinner was held July 20th and recognizes individual(s) whose vision and leadership advances the spirit of community and charity, reflects courage and insight, and inspires others to lead. The award is presented by the Leadership Morgan Hill (LMH) organization that conducts a quality annual program that empowers people for community service and leadership.

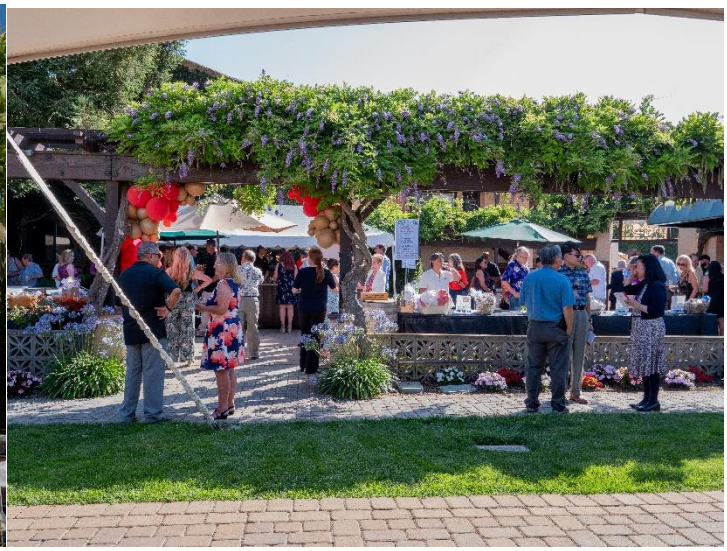
This Years Honoree

Longtime community volunteer ***Terry Moriyama*** received the 2024 Leadership Excellence Award. Terry is a recent (2021-2022) past president of Rotary who dedicates herself to volunteer activities that make Morgan Hill even better. She volunteers in just about every major event in town, always taking a leadership role and producing excellent results. She founded, funded and runs her non-profit "Air for Paws" that allows first responders to give life-saving oxygen to animals in crisis.

The Beneficiary

Approximately 175 people attended this year's event at the Guglielmo Winery. Funds raised will support the work of Leadership Morgan Hill, a nonprofit public benefit corporation now in its 29th year. LMH provides insight, tools, and training to enable and inspire leaders to give back to the Morgan Hill community through service. Over 500 LMH graduates are found in leadership positions in government, businesses, and nonprofits throughout the community.









- ***Planning for LMH 30th Anniversary Celebration***

Want to help us celebrate? LMH will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary next year and we would like any Alumni interested in joining our planning group to make it a memorable celebration. Our planning meetings will start in October. Please let us know by contacting Mark Matthews at **markmatt17217@gmail.com.**

Community Leadership Committee

The City of Morgan Hill Economic Development team has initiated a Human Resources Roundtable with HR executives in Morgan Hill. Leadership Morgan Hill participated in the recent meeting on September 13. One of our key goals is to introduce ourselves to Human Resource managers throughout Morgan Hill to make them aware of the opportunity to

support their employees in being a member of a future class. Most companies want to be a supporting community citizen, and what's a better way to do that than by getting involved with Leadership Morgan Hill?

Help requested: We need help connecting with companies in Morgan Hill. You may be an employee at one of our local companies. Are you willing to pitch Leadership Morgan Hill to your company? Or even if you're not working at a Morgan Hill employer, how about jumping in and introducing our local companies to Leadership Morgan Hill? As a graduate of the program, you are one of our best representatives.

If you're willing to help us make connections, please contact Tim Hansen at **timothyrhansen1@gmail.com.** (Note that my email address is new)

Marketing Committee Activities

Recruiting season is in full swing. As always, we need help from everyone to fill the Class of 2025. We were very involved in helping with this year's LEAD event honoring Terry Moriyama and we volunteered at Friday Night Music on July 26.

Looking Ahead:

We are working on a marketing theme for next year. This is something that I think we should do every year and have it drive our marketing campaign.

One thought is to open it up to the community as a contest – asking for art submissions that incorporate our logo and our tagline of 'Inspire, Connect, Serve'. We could use the winning art on postcards, posters, stickers and possibly t-shirts.

For next year, we want to incorporate our anniversary of 30 years into the campaign.

Any other thoughts or ideas on how we can best connect with our community – let me know. I can be reached at **tkp624@gmail.com**.

Thanks for your support,

--Tammy Parker, LMH Class of 2022, Marketing Committee Chair

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LMH 2024 Class Progress and Project Completion!

On Monday, September 16, the Leadership Morgan Hill Class of 2024 celebrated a joyous, and moving, Graduation Celebration at Guglielmo Winery. On this beautiful evening (temperatures in the high 70's!), our Class gathered for one last time to reflect upon our year and celebrate our time together. Attended by family and friends, we were moved by the words of our State Senator, John Laird. During our "State Government" unit, we enjoyed lunch with Senator Laird and we were honored that he was our keynote speaker at graduation.

A week before our graduation, on September 7, we also celebrated the ribbon cutting ceremony for our 2024 Leadership Project, another joyous and well-attended, occasion. Our Class Project was so much fun to put together. We have created a small "family park" area at the Centennial Community Center near the "Splash Zone". We removed the four blocks surrounding the fountain area and replaced them with 4 small picnic tables with benches, allowing families to sit - perhaps over a picnic lunch - and enjoy watching the children in the Splash Zone. As a very whimsical addition, we added a large, climbing turtle for the children and two trees behind the turtle which will provide shade for the children and their families. We drew in the children who attend the preschool at the CRC by allowing them to name the turtle and, after many wonderful entries, we felt that "Tessie the Turtle" was the best choice. Our Leadership Class all felt that this project was a great contribution to the families in our community - and it was so much fun to put together!

In reflection upon this years class we look back to January, which was our first Retreat. Some of us knew each other well, and some of us had never met. We were told that we would become friends and fellow students in this journey. We looked at each other and thought, "okay, we'll give it a try". At the end of the year, I can say that connections were made that will last the rest of our lives. This is an incredible program to learn about our City, our County, our State, about working together as a team and what it takes to make an organization work. Most of all, though, we learned what we need to draw from ourselves, and lean on others to become the leaders we want to be and, personally, I am so very grateful for this incredible, eye-opening experience - I feel I can say that all of us have made connections that will last the rest of our lives. ...Best Class Ever!!...

--- Cindy Adams, Class of 2024




Dedication ceremony of the class project at the CRC on September 7



Class of 2024 Graduation on September 16 at Guglielmo Winery
(Not Pictured are Scott Geffre and Carol Ferri)

Join us at Alumni and Friends First Friday's

Instead of our normal First Fridays at Bubbles in September we met at Mama Mia's. **The next get together will be Friday, October 4th at Bubbles at 6:00pm. On November 1 we will be at Bubbles again at 6:00pm. Look forward to seeing you there!**

Alumni Recently Deceased

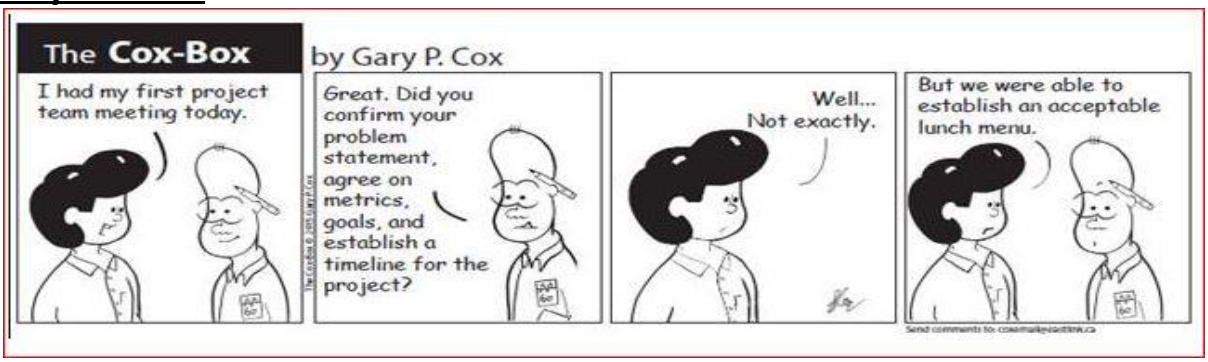
Mike Cox, Class of 2005; Marty Cheek, Class of 2007 and Rich Firato, Class of 2008.
The community will miss them. May they rest in peace.

Missing Alumni – Help Needed

We are missing the current contact information for the following LMH Alumni below. If you can help us by providing their mailing and email addresses or contact them directly and ask them to send their info to Mark Matthews at markmatt17217@gmail.com.

Contact Name	Class Year		Contact Name	Class Year
Alma Vandenraadt	2010		Lee Purdioux	2009
Annette DiResta	2016		Linda K. Sanborn	2009
Catherine Lewis-Silverberg	2008		Lisa Washington	2015
Cheri Strempel	2005		Malcolm Myers	2007
Colette McLaughlin	2006		Mark Pierce	2020
Damon S. Grose	2007		Mark van Keulen	2011
Dan Ellsworth	2012		Marlen Martinez	2020
Daniel Ehrler	2006		Mary Kay Thome-Shaw	2002
Daryl Manning	2001		Maryanna Danielson	2007
David Hensley	2020		Matthew Wendt	2013
Deborah Frazen	2015		Michelle Barte	2009
Edward Machado	2014		Michelle Millard	2004
Eileen Bontempi	2013		Mindy Mull	2002
Franz Ingram	2009		Murv Little	2011
Janet Itterly	2002		Paige Riveron	2006
Jeff Aronoff	2017		Rebecca Fotu	2009
Jeff Rosenberger	2008		Rich Oswald	2011
Jeffrey Nunes	2010		Robert Murray	2005
Jessica Garcia	2001		Rosalinda Bush	2003
Joni Evans	2005		Scott Joines	2010
Judy Pyle	2005		Stacy Camiel	2005
Julie Barraza	2010		Stephanie Reini	2008
Kevin Lanning	2003		Steven Perez	2007
			William Norman	2008

Leadership Corner



Please let us know what you think of our newsletters via Facebook or email to Mark Matthews at markmatt17217@gmail.com so that we can provide useful and interesting information for LMH Alumni.

You can also follow us on Instagram, Facebook (X) and LinkedIn

2023/2024 LMH Alumni Committee Members:

Mark Matthews – Alumni Committee Chair LMH Class of 2022
Daniel Sanidad - Alumni Committee Vice Chair, Board President, LMH Class of 2018
Don Moody – Alumni Committee Member, LMH Class of 2023
Jeff Schumacher - Alumni Committee Member, LMH Class of 2023