Alumni Newsletter

Spring 2025 Edition

Hello LMH Alumni!

We hope this Spring 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 is sending out seasonal newsletters that highlight the on-going and many activities of LMH, including our 30th Anniversary celebration! We look forward to hearing from you to find out if this newsletter is helpful and interesting.

LMH Board Activities – It's been an "Awarding" and "Rewarding" 2025!

Each year the Morgan Hill Chamber of Commerce selects 1 Non-Profit from about 20 Non-Profit organizations in the city. This year the Chamber selected Leadership Morgan Hill as the proud recipient! An event on April 6th was held at the Guglielmo Winery to CELEBRATE the individuals, businesses, and non-profits that go above and beyond for Morgan Hill at our 67th annual Celebrate Awards!

On behalf of the Board of Directors and all our inspired LMH Alumni over the last 30 years, Board President Daniel Sanidad proudly accepted this esteemed tribute. Daniel stated in his acceptance speech, "I am one person standing up here, but I represent an amazing board, program facilitator, and program administrator who readily bring their best efforts to better the work we all do." It is also important to note that several other celebrated honorees and many of those attending this event have also qualified themselves as "The Best Class Ever!". This continues to remain possible through the passionate teamwork to offer our Morgan Hill the best community service leadership program, each successive year.





Additionally, Leadership Morgan Hill recently received a commendation plaque from the County of Santa Clara. This award highlighted LMH's "cultivating of community leaders" through our nine-month training course.



COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

Board of Supervisors

COMMENDATION

WHEREAS, Leadership Morgan Hill **is a nonprofit organization dedicated to cultivating community leaders** through an annual nine-month program that educates participants on various facets of Morgan **Hill's community life, including local government, business, education, and nonprofit sectors;**

WHEREAS, Leadership Morgan Hill features interactive learning sessions and workshops led by professional facilitators, aiming to inspire leadership and service for a better Morgan Hill;

WHEREAS, Leadership Morgan Hill undertakes a community service project each year, allowing participants to apply their leadership skills practically and add improvements to their community; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Morgan Hill is celebrating its 30th anniversary, having graduated over 500 individuals who continue to contribute to their community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara does hereby recognize and commend

Leadership Morgan Hill

for their service and dedication to improving the quality of life for residents of Santa Clara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on this Twenty-Fifth Day of February, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, by unanimous vote.

Otto Lee
President, Board of Supervisors

Sylvia Arenas
Supervisor, District One

Betty Duong
Supervisor, District Two

Susan Ellenberg
Supervisor, District Four

Margaret Abe-Koga
Supervisor, District Five

Attest: Curtis Boone
Acting Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Additional Recent LMH Events

LMH participated at the Morgan Hill Business/Career Expo Sponsored by MH Chamber of Commerce, April 16th. This was a great opportunity to tell people who we are and "connect" with the community and prospective 2026 Class members.



Morgan Hill City Clean-up Day, April 19th.

Leadership Morgan Hill is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year with multiple activities and events throughout the year as it seeks to continue ***"Inspire, Connect and Serve"***. One event was the "Morgan Hill Spring Cleaning" on 19 April - to celebrate Earth Day and Inspire others, Connect with other MH Organization and to Serve the City.

In collaboration with the Morgan Hill Clean Up Project (led by one of our Board members), there were 4 different locations across the city where we all met to clean up litter, trash and dumping. Each location was supported by approximately 10-12 people from all over the community.





Upcoming Events

Joint 30 Year Celebration with My Pizza

Save the Date – **Tuesday May 20th 5:30pm** -- The May Alumni social will be a joint 30-year anniversary celebration for LMH and My Pizza. Yes, both LMH and My Pizza have been serving the community for 30 years – Let's Celebrate!
In addition, this may be a fundraiser to help a family with recent medical costs. My Pizza is located at 229 West Main Ave, #A, MH. More details will follow.

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 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**

LMH 30th Anniversary Event - Honoring our History, Inspiring Our Future!

Yes, that's right. Leadership Morgan Hill has been around since 1995. We have been a key community partner to Inspire, Connect and Serve while graduating over 500 people through our community Leadership program.

We have events and communications planned throughout the year to inform every one of the details regarding our grand celebration on October 4th at Guglielmo Winery. More news and details will be coming out regularly throughout the year.

Alumni - we need your support and are looking for Event Sponsorships and/or Advertisements in our October Celebration Event Program.

Event Sponsorships:

Contact: Don Moody, DCM1120@gmail.com

CEO ($10,000 +) Title Sponsorship of the LEAD event and the entire LMH year.

- Presented as a 2025 title sponsor in event materials, promotions and media communications.
- Invitation to be introduced onstage and make brief remarks at the podium.
- Full-page ad in event program
- Logo placement on LMH website and in social media
- Four (4) event tickets

VP ($5,000 +) Sponsorship of the LEAD event and two full-day classes.

- Presented as a 2025 event sponsor in event materials, promotions and media outreach.
- Recognition from the podium
- Full-page ad in event program
- Logo placement on LMH website, social media
- Two (2) event tickets

Director ($2,500 +) Sponsorship of the LEAD event and one full-day class.

- Recognition from the podium
- Full-page ad in event program
- Logo placement on LMH website, social media

Executive ($1,500+) Provides fill tuition cost for one participant.

- Recognition in event program
- Half-page ad in event program
- Logo placement on LMH website, social media
- Acknowledgement at Board Meeting

Officer ($1,000 +) Support for programming and professional facilitation.

- Recognition in event program
- Quarter-page Ad in event program.
- Logo placement on LMH website, social media
- Acknowledgment on signage at class days

Event Advertisements:

Ads in the event program are an excellent option for individuals, businesses and non-profit organizations.

Full Page Ad	$650 (may include photos)
½ Page Ad	$500 (may include photos)
⅓ Page Ad	$400
¼ Page Ad	$300
⅛ Page Ad- “Congratulations”	$200 (Business Card Size)

Advertiser to provide logo, copy, and artwork. Color or black & white.
Design assistance available at additional cost.

Email Ad materials to Julie_klem@hotmail.com; ldurlester@gmail.com
Remember, Leadership Morgan Hill is a Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation
Tax ID 77-0386

Mark your calendars for October 4th where you will see highlights of each year’s projects and catch the enthusiasm of every BEST CLASS EVER! Tickets will go on sale in August.

Want to help us celebrate? LMH will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary all year long culminating with the main celebration on October 4th. We would love to have any Alumni interested in joining our planning group to make it a memorable celebration. Please let us know by contacting Mark Matthews at markmatt17217@gmail.com.

Recruitment Committee

The Application for the class of 2026 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 (2026) class, please have them go to: https://www.leadershipmorganhill.com/application to fill out an application.

We have several in-person events planned for prospective applicants to meet us and learn about the program. In addition to the pizza social mentioned above, we have information sessions planned **for August 7th and September 10th**. Details can be found on our events page: https://www.leadershipmorganhill.com/new-events

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:



Community Leadership Committee

Our tagline is Inspire-Connect-Serve. And at over 500 graduates strong, we are well-positioned to do just that.
We want to spread the word about Leadership Morgan Hill by connecting with more community organizations and inspiring more community members to go through our program.
We have identified several companies with whom we want to connect over the next six months.
We are looking for people willing to reach out to and speak with one or two companies in Morgan Hill to promote Leadership Morgan Hill and hopefully inspire some of their employees to go through the class. We have a script/outline for approaching a company, and we encourage a personal touch.

We would also like your help getting our name, logo, and tagline out there all over Morgan Hill. If you're willing to go to a few businesses to get them to affix our static window clings to their storefront window, please contact Tim.

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

Our Annual Report for the fiscal year 2024 has been completed and is available on our LMH website: www.leadershipmorganhill.org and go to About Us to find the Annual Report.

Celebrating our 30th year Continues!

Ways you can show your LMH Spirit and join the celebration:

1. Buy a T-Shirt ($25)/Polo ($30)/ or Sweatshirt ($27) - you can order online:

Make it Mine now has a Team Store for Leadership Morgan Hill on their website.
It currently has our 30th Anniversary T-Shirts and Polos available.
https://mimembroidery.com/product-category/morgan-hill-leadership-30th-anniversary/

Thank you to owner, Alleen Crooks, for enabling this for us.

OR

If you wear a Women's size Large of XL or a Men's size Large, XL or 2XL, you can order via the following form and the items will be made available for pickup at
BookSmart (421 Vineyard Town Center, Morgan Hill)
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSelcGyNCwzrS6qrJY71jMZMox1Nud5Bs_bzNOgk7NAQSOyzyA/viewform

2. Attend our Leadership Excellence Event on October 4 at Guglielmo and encourage your classmates to attend, also.

3. Make sure to Like and follow us on Instagram and on Facebook
   https://www.facebook.com/LeadershipMorganHill
   https://www.instagram.com/leadershipmh/

4. Also, if you have any pictures, quotes, stories that you would like to share about your LMH experience, please send them to:
   LMHcelebrate30@gmail.com

Thanks, as always for your support,
--Tammy Parker, LMH Class of 2022, Marketing Committee Chair



LMH 2025 Class Status

We are excited about the 2 projects our small but mighty team selected this year. In addition to our pre-scheduled meetings, activities, and LMH experiences, we meet every other week to review project status, have begun our hands-on work days, andare busy fundraising too!

Native Garden Project

This project will completely revitalize the garden and establish a handy irrigation and maintenance schedule to ensure long-lasting and thriving plants at Villa Mira Monte. Educational content of plants and Native American uses will be created for 3rd-5th grade field trips and visitors. The class has “broken ground” clearing dead plants, weeds, rototilling and soil fertilization.

Loki Owl Replacement Project

This project will recreate and reinstall WERC's (Wildlife Education Rehabilitation Center) favorite animal-ambassador, the "Loki" Owl bronze sculpture at the Centennial Recreation Center. With the generous donation of time and artistry by Evelyn Davis, and in collaboration with Sean Monaghan of Bronze Works foundry, we look forward to having this magnificent artwork completed by September. Thanks to early charitable donations, we have already covered the initial cost of
this project!

We are currently in discussion with the City of Morgan Hill on plans to implement anti-theft solutions, so we can ensure the Loki Owl can be enjoyed for years to come.

Please consider a sponsorship level or an in-kind donation to help our LMH Class of 2025 raise $15k.







Join Alumni and Friends

The next social is tentatively – **Tuesday, June 3rd 5:30pm** -- The June Alumni social will be a joint 30-year anniversary celebration for LMH and My Pizza. Yes, both LMH and My Pizza have been serving the community for 30 years – Let's Celebrate! Anyone interested in learning about the **Class of 2026** is also welcome to join us.

In addition, this will be a fundraiser to help a family with recent medical costs. My Pizza is located at 229 West Main Ave, #A, MH. More details will follow.

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

2024/2025 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
Cindy Adams – Alumni Committee Member, LMH Class of 2024
Susan Hannah - Alumni Committee Member, LMH Class of 2024
Tammy Parker- Alumni Committee Chair, LMH Class of 2022