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## Caps fly high over graduation ceremonies

By Julia Baum  
Town Crier Staff Writer

Families, friends and community members packed Tom Burt Field on Friday evening as 549 Los Altos High School seniors crossed the stage, marking the culmination of graduation season across the West Valley.

The entrance from Almond Avenue was decorated with balloons welcoming attendees and congratulating the graduating class. Cars lined nearby streets as families arrived carrying bouquets, balloons, leis

and gifts for graduates.

Spectators filled the bleachers and spread out across the field on picnic blankets. Children, grandparents and pets joined the crowd. Air horns echoed across the field as names were announced, while families launched confetti poppers and streamers to celebrate their graduates.

The commencement program featured performances by Los Altos High's choir, band and orchestra, including renditions of "Like an Eagle"

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Mortarboards fly as the ceremony for Mountain View High School's graduating seniors comes to a close on Friday.



Marge Bruno

COURTESY OF AVENIDAS

## Longtime Los Altos leader dies

By Bill Bruno  
Special to the Town Crier

Margaret (Marge) Bruno died on June 2, 2026 from injuries suffered in a fall.

Bruno was born to Peter and Josephine DiMaio Scelsa on September 1, 1933 in New York City. She attended mostly Catholic schools through 8th grade, followed by Newtown public high school. She subsequently graduated from Hunter College, where she participated in student government. She performed graduate work in economics at

Cornell University until starting a family in 1958. When her sons were in high school, she completed an MBA at San Jose State University. She then worked for Bank of America as a commercial loan officer until co-founding Adobe Financial Group in 1980.

It was at Cornell that she met her future husband, Michael (Mike) Bruno. They were married in 1956. Marge's top priority was being a good mother. She often said that if only one thing could be written on her gravestone, she would be satisfied if it simply said that she was a good

mother. She was also a good relative, providing essential support to family members in need. She had learned that from her parents.

Physical fitness was central to her way of life. She was an avid skier, walker and exerciser. She and Mike were often seen walking in Los Altos, which they did every day, rain or shine. She continued to walk regularly after his passing.

Marge loved civic affairs. She served on the Los Altos City Council for eight years.

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## Liccardo and Rosen take top spots primary night



Left: Sam Liccardo. Right: Jeff Rosen.

Town Crier Staff Report  
There were few surprises for voters last Wednesday morning as primary results began to trickle in.

In the race for the U.S. House of Representatives, District 16, current freshman Democrat Sam Liccardo eas-

ily took the top spot out of the four vying for that seat. The second slot on November's ballot went to Republican Peter Soulé. Republican Kevin Johnson barely crested double digits, followed by independent candidate Jotham Stein, a distant fourth, as ballots

continue to be counted. Santa Clara County District Attorney Jeff Rosen coasted to a 20-point reelection victory over Daniel Chung. With no challenger in November, Rosen has secured another four-year term in the DA's office.

COURTESY PHOTOS

## MARGE

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She was a board member of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District from 1992 until 1996 and was its chairperson from July 1995 through February 1996. She also chaired the League of California Cities' Committee on Revenue and Taxation, Santa Clara County Paratransit Committee and Los Altos Mediation Program.

Marge was the first woman president of the Rotary Club of Los Altos, where she instituted the Partners-in-Education tutoring program. This program later became the Mentor Tutor Connection. She was President of the Board of the Community Services Agency of Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills and commissioner of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission. Marge was on the Santa Clara Valley Water District Flood Control Advisory Board, and the board of the Los Altos

School District Citizens' Financial Advisory Committee.

She was a member of the Audit and Finance Committee of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District. She has been both parliamentarian and treasurer of the Morning Forum of Los Altos and has been on the boards of the Los Altos Community Foundation and Pilgrim Haven (now named The Terraces). She established the Senior Home Repair for Los Altos and Los Altos Hills through the Los Altos Senior Center. She was a founding member of the Los Altos Library Endowment Board and also of the Los Altos Women's Caucus.

She has been named Los Altan of the Year by both the Los Altos Board of Realtors (1997) and by the Los Altos Town Crier (1995). She was given the Lifetimes of Achievement Award by Avenidas in 2010 and honored by Mentor Tutor Connection in 2026. She has received the AAUW Status of

Women Award and the Los Altos Community Foundation John Gardner Award.

Marge was extremely proud of her children, their wives, her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is survived by sons Bill and wife Jeanne-Marie of Manhattan Beach, CA and Mike Jr and his wife Stephanie of Los Altos Hills, adored grandchildren Peter and Ellen Bruno, much-photographed grandchildren Patrick, Owen and James, and by her brother, Nicholas Scelsa of Folsom, CA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that those wishing to do so make contributions to the Community Services Agency of Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills.

A funeral mass will be held at St. William Catholic Church in Los Altos at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17, followed immediately by burial at Gate of Heaven Cemetery. A reception will be held at 1 p.m. at St. William's parish hall.

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