

New FroYo shops come to LG

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Within days of each other, two new sweets shops opened in downtown Los Gatos. Yogurt in Love made its debut on June 27. Three days later, on June 30, the former Café Delatti reopened as Sips and Sweets Too.

Yogurt in Love is a new family-owned franchise with a prime location. After a meal at Purple Onion, one can find a refreshing, sweet treat at Yogurt in Love located on East Main Street. The owner, Patricia Lucca, has succeeded in creating an exciting and family-friendly store. When a customer walks through the door, he or she will always be greeted with a warm welcome and glowing smile from the staff. Decked out in colorful, lacy aprons, employees are ready to assist the customers with anything they need.

Yogurt in Love's layout is very open and well thoughtout. The bright pink and purple chandeliers hanging from the ceiling, countless yogurt dispensers, multitudes of delicious toppings, and pristine tables create an energetic and enjoyable atmosphere. With a wide variety of creamy yogurt flavors such as espresso, sea salt caramel pretzel, and mango sorbet, everyone will easily find a new favorite.

This past summer, Café Delatti was revamped and reopened as Sips and Sweets Too. The completely restructured sweet shop, located at 42 Elm Street, is a hit. The owners, Michael and Laura Chan, aspired to establish a unique shop and move away from just serving frozen yogurt, as Delatti previously had. In the center of downtown, it is an easily accessible



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TOP THIS: Customers can choose from a variety of flavors, toppings, and sauces.

sweet sanctum. The menu is all-encompassing and whimsical. Coffee, smoothies, boba tea, shaved snow, frozen yogurt, and caramel corn are only some of the new sweet treats on the menu. The owners are continually changing and adding new flavors and foods to the menu. The commonplace Delatti is gone forever. In its stead is a fresh and creative dessert marketplace. Sips and Sweets Too will not fail to satisfy one's sweet tooth.

Both Yogurt in Love and Sips and Sweets Too are receiving stellar reviews from customers. Aesthetically, they are very different, but both of the shops are welcoming and ready to serve the public some delicious desserts.

Fall play rehearsals begin

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This year's fall play is *Harvey*, in which the protagonist Elwood P. Dowd has a six foot three rabbit for an imaginary friend. His sister, Veta, believes he's crazy and attempts to have him committed to a mental health institution with ensuing comedy, and you'll have to go see the play to find out what happens next!



BUNNY BESTIE: Elwood P. Dowd has a six foot rabbit for a best friend.

The play will premiere the weekend of Nov 11, and will feature a double cast of both theater veterans and those new to the stage. This means two separate casts will rehearse and prepare, and each cast will do half the performances. Rehearsal for the play began the week of Sept. 8. **Tim Neilson**, who directed the play last year, will also direct this year's production. There have already been a few bumps in production, as the lead of one cast quit the play after the cast list had been released, but Junior **Alex Coady** has stepped up to take over the role.

Junior **Anna Silva**, who will play Myrtle Mae Simmons, Dowd's niece, stated, "I'm excited to see how people react to the show. It's different, but it's funny."



HARVEY IN THE HALLS: The fall play will premiere on November 11.

When asked about why she joined the production, Sophomore **Anna Goldman** replied, "I love working with the cast and director because we always make each other laugh, and we have a great time. If anyone wants to be a part of a play, I strongly encourage auditioning next year, as it's an amazing experience where you meet new friends and get much closer with old ones!" This will be one performance you don't want to miss, so mark your calendars!



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RUN IT THROUGH: Actors are beginning to practice lines and run scenes.

LGHS starts to implement new Measure E changes

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Starting this year, LGHS will be seeing caution tape and hard hats, and hearing jack hammers as a result of school construction. Due to the recent bond passing, Los Gatos has 99 million dollars to share with Saratoga High School for improvements and new facilities. Over the next couple of years, different projects will get under way to make the school safer, larger, and more efficient. Some of the largest projects include the already-started front step reconstruction, turf installment on athletic fields, and the addition of two new school buildings.

For the entire first semester, the front lawn will be fenced off so that workers can dig up the cracked and uneven concrete that made up the front pathway, and replace it with new paths. If everything remains on



FENCED OUT: The front lawn is closed off to students.

schedule, the fence will be gone and the stairs climbable after students return from Holiday Break. This project is going to produce a better-looking and safer front to LGHS.

Another large project that the bond is funding is the installment of turf for the fields. LGHS will now have astro-turf instead of grass on all of our athletic fields. Instead of dealing with the mud, maintenance, and injury that comes with grass, it will be replaced with low-maintenance astro-turf. This replacement is expected to save LGHS thousands of dollars in the long run and reduce upkeep.

Another project will be the installation of a new running track. The old track, which has air-bubbles and uneven dips, will be replaced in the next couple of years with a flatter and more level track.

For the final major project, a new wing will be constructed for general education. This new building will increase the number of classes, which is good news for the constantly growing population of LGHS. The new building will be placed across from the pool, near the where the junior parking lot is currently.

The Music and Drama Departments will be seeing some reconstruction specifically for music's architectural needs, such as proper acoustics. The Music department requires classrooms with acoustics that will produce proper sound quality for practices. The Drama department will also receive new theater additions such as a green room.

Another new project is a multipurpose room located behind the bleachers

of the football field. This building will be used for basketball and will include a full sized court, locker rooms, and storage space.

Several other smaller projects will also get underway, such as theater additions for the drama department, solar panels, and concessions for the lower fields. The full master plan map is available at elgatonews.com.



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DIGGING IN: A tractor scoops up the excess dirt on the front lawn for landscaping.

LG adds new classes

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With a growing school population at LGHS, it is inevitable that the school would introduce a variety of unique, interesting, and challenging classes to the school's repertoire to match the increased numbers of unique, interesting people at school. This year, the staff has added several new classes to allow students the opportunity to specialize in subjects of their choice.

Introduction to Music Theory

Introduction to Music Theory, taught by **Mrs. Riley**, is a class where students will develop their understanding of musical dynamics, structure, and composition and will learn to recognize musical elements by sight and by ear. Mrs. Riley is enthusiastic about helping her students take the next step in their musical education. The teacher notes that she is most excited to be teaching "students interested to learn more about the intricacies of the music and composition, interested in not just performing, but knowing the relationship of the elements within the composition." At the end of the year, both AP and Introduction to Music Theory students will be composing and performing a musical piece for the instrument of their choice as their final exam.

Drama

Students in the Drama class, taught by **Ms. Rigby**, will have a year full of exposure to theatre and the fundamentals of acting. Class

topics include improvisation, character development, voice, and movement. Students will also learn the importance of teamwork and confidence. Freshman **Ellen Cuthbertson** loves the class for its supportive atmosphere, saying that "there are many experienced people in that class to help the inexperienced learn the basics of drama. Everyone in the class is really nice and are willing to help anyone if they need it."

AP Psychology

In past years, the school has offered regular Psychology, but Advanced Placement Psychology is a new class taught by **Ms. Schubert** for grades 10 through 12 to further challenge students and help them towards a career in the field. Senior Hannah Blevins enjoys the class because she has the opportunity to "learn about why and how people behave the way they do" and notes that "Ms. Schubert is the most amazing teacher, and she keeps the class interesting and fun."

Principles of Engineering

Engineering is also offered in two courses: Introduction to Engineering Design and the new second course, Principles of Engineering, taught by Mr. Coppelli. The class examines the fundamental concepts of different kinds of engineering. Junior Kevin Fagan states "I think it's great that we are learning about so many different types [of engineering] to spark the interests of a lot of students. We are about to start a whole unit on robotics and we will be making and building different robotic machines."

New Tech

The New Tech program is also expanding to include both freshmen and sophomores. Grace Sells, a sophomore, is looking forward to the upcoming year, saying "it'll be a great year, especially because [the students] all know each other from last year." Judging by the success of the program thus far, New Tech will be a permanent, ever-expanding fixture at LGHS.

The classes that the school has made available allow students to explore their passions for specific subjects, fostering aptitude and passion to create a happier student body prepared for futures at university and in the workplace.



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ON THE SCENE: Students in the drama class go over the basics of acting



Courtesy LGHS

GETTING TECHY WITH IT: New Tech teaches with project-based learning