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## Active shooter drill today at high school

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Calistoga High School will be under siege today as emergency services personnel conduct a full-scale active shooter drill at the Lake Street campus. The drill was scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and wrap up by 1 p.m., according to Napa County information officials. A similar drill is being conducted simultaneously at the American Canyon Community Center at 100 Benton Way in that city. School is out of session, and both locations will be closed to the public, officials said in a statement. The drills are being conducted to assess the immediate response by law enforcement and fire/rescue personnel, as

well as to identify gaps, lapses and/or needs in training, policies, procedures or resources to such an event should one occur. During the exercise there will be multiple emergency vehicles, first responders, caution tape strung around the sites, and loud noises/voices in both cities. Businesses and residents living within a half mile of each site were sent advisory notices, county officials said. Dozens of community residents will serve as volunteers for the drills, acting as victims, witnesses, by-standers, etc. On the day of the exercise, public information officers will be on duty to provide several traditional and social media updates throughout the day.



*Firefighters from Calistoga, St. Helena and Cal Fire responded to a house fire early last Saturday morning on Grant Street in Calistoga. A family of three people plus their dog was displaced after the fire destroyed most of the home. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.*

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## Tejeda accident details, cause of death still under investigation

■ **Go Fund Me account set up for family has raised nearly \$20,000**

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The investigation into the Dec. 26 early morning crash that claimed the life of Calistogan Enrique "Ricky" Tejeda was continuing this week, even as the 26-year-old was set to be buried today in St. Helena. Meanwhile, a Go Fund Me account set up to help pay for his

funeral and burial expenses, and to help support his fiancé and two young daughters, had raised more than \$19,000 this week. "Ricky leaves behind his high school sweetheart and fiancé Rochelle Wright as well as their two young daughters, ages 6 and 4, his mother Ana Alfaro and brothers Frankie, Junie and Jesus Tejeda," the online Go Fund Me account page stated. "He will be remembered for his contagious smile, passion for cars, his star athlete

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## Family loses home in weekend fire

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A family of three was displaced after their home on Grant Street caught fire this week and was deemed a "total loss," according to Calistoga Fire Chief Steve Campbell. Firefighters from Calistoga, St. Helena and Cal Fire responded to the structure fire at 1408 Grant St. around 9:51 a.m. last Saturday. The blaze was extinguished by 9:58 a.m., said Calistoga firefighter Andrew O'Shaughnessy, who responded with firefighters Blake

McCormick and Adam Ramirez. The home was occupied by a husband and wife, their son and a dog. No injuries were reported. Campbell said first responders arrived in time and "kept the fire from spreading to the two homes on both sides of it." O'Shaughnessy said that when they arrived, the porch and front room were on fire, as well as part of the wall of an adjacent building to the right. Firefighters quickly extinguished the flames on the neighboring building while continuing to fight the fire burning on both the exterior and interior of the

home that was destroyed. Firefighters remained at the scene until about 12:30 p.m. while they removed debris and important belongings (such as medication) that weren't damaged, and ensured the surrounding area was safe. O'Shaughnessy said they were able to save two-thirds of the home. Campbell said the cause of fire is still under investigation. Neighbors who witnessed the event speculated that it was caused by an electrical issue from a freez-

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## Sugar Train, Rabbit Rabbit latest shops to close



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*Two young girls admire the hand-made, fair trade items through the window at Rabbit Rabbit Fair Trade, 1441 Lincoln Ave. Shop owner Sarah Lane has said she is closing next month.*

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Calistoga Sugar Train has left the station after about six years in business here while another retail shop, Rabbit Rabbit Fair Trade, is reportedly closing its doors next month. Marc and Gloria Fero opened the Calistoga Sugar Train, a candy and ice cream shop, in one of the Calistoga Depot rail cars in April 2011. The store, which had undergone at least two changes of ownership since then, closed its doors last month. Reached by phone this week, Depot owner John Merchant had no comment on why the shop

closed or what type of business may replace it. A recent report in the Weekly Calistogan cited an unnamed source as saying the shop closed due to lease negotiation issues. Old fashioned candies, Jelly Belly jelly beans and ice cream were among the sweet confections available at the Sugar Train. News also began spreading last week that owner Sarah Lane would be closing her Rabbit Rabbit shop at 1441 Lincoln Ave. sometime in February. The Weekly Calistogan reported this week that Lane had said she would close in February. Attempts by the Tribune to reach Lane were unsuccessful. An employee working at the store

this week could not confirm the pending closure nor provide details about why Lane is leaving downtown Calistoga. Lane relocated the store from St. Helena to Calistoga in September of 2017 saying she felt it would be a good fit. The Sugar Train and Rabbit Rabbit shut-downs are the latest in a string of retail shop closures in Calistoga's downtown business district. Citing ever-increasing rents, Goodman's owner Amber Ebling, who relocated the clothing store three years ago from St. Helena to Calistoga, closed her doors in

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