



Above: Construction crews began preparing the ground for a new fire station in Firebaugh this month.

Right: Artist's rendering of the new fire station



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Work underway for new Firebaugh Fire station

Early this month Firebaugh began construction of a new fire station, as construction crews began clearing the building site. The new facility is going up on the south end of Court House Park and will have about 7,000 square feet of living quarters, offices and an apparatus bay capable of housing

seven fire trucks. It will replace the current fire station which was originally built in 1941, and expanded in 1948, 1955, and 1980.

The station is funded by a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$3.5 million. The City began the process of preparing for the

grant more than a year ago by hiring an architect to work with Fire Chief John Borboa to design a state of the art facility. This resulted in the grant application having 'shovel ready' plans which scored favorably during the grant review process.

Local students win for game design



Manmeet Kaur



Prabhjot Singh

Two Kerman students were among the winners of a game design competition organized by Rrooar, Coding and Robotics Academy recently.

'A Hero's Journey' was the topic of the competition, and 14 young game designers created their heroes, the conflicts, the obstacles and finally their losses or wins. It was a journey through coding and game design, and the judges became mentors, leading the students through their vision.

The panel of judges included, Renu Bhatia, VP Partnerships and Business Development NVIDIA, Inderjeet Singh, VP Engineering KeepTruckin, Marilyn McDonald, SVP Mastercard and Tim Fox, Game Developer. Millicent De-Perio was the emcee for the event. Chris Rosana, the coding coach

shared some great experiences while working with the group.

Students from Grade 1 to 12, from all over the Bay Area and Central Valley in California came together in the venture to realize their dreams and open the doors to critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Local winners were in group 3, and were:

1st - Manmeet Kaur, Kerman High School; and,

1st - Prabhjot Singh, Kerman Middle School. They also won in the special awards category.

Original Game Maker - Prabhjot Singh, Kerman Middle School, and,

Innovative Game Maker - Manmeet Kaur, Kerman High School.

Liberty lists Students of the Month

Liberty school February Students of the Month Character Trait: kindness & courtesy

Teacher
Gragnani

Haste
Hagganmader

Student
AM: Harper Arredondo
PM: Giselle Sanchez
Olivia Rodriguez
AM: Iska Rocha

Student thoughts on distance learning



Community Calendar

TRAPSHOOT - The Ker... are Market. In addition to taking

Fair announces Drive-thru Fats