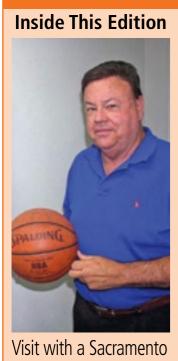
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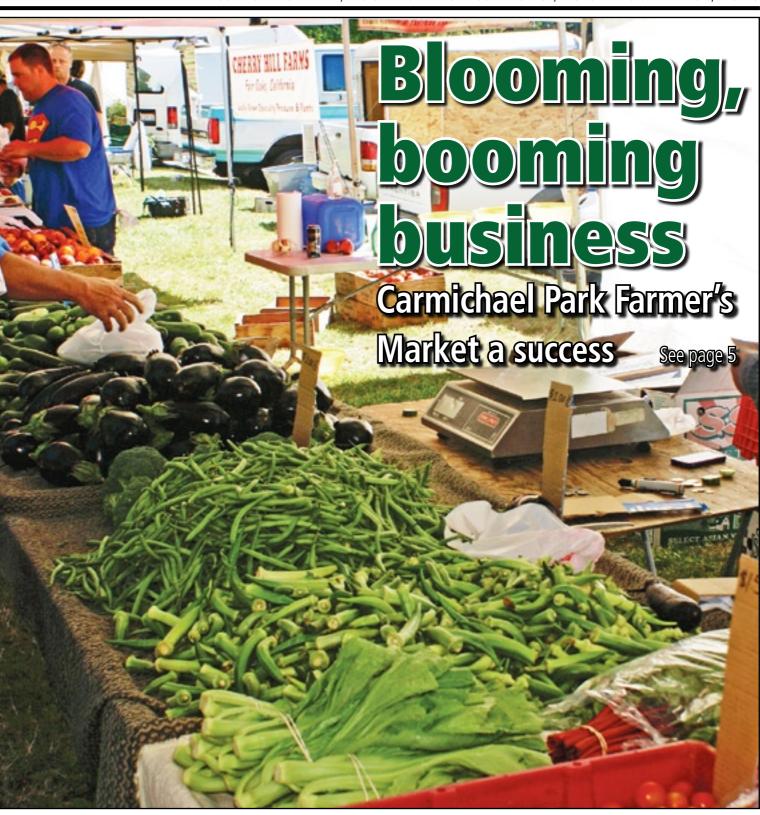
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You can prevent mosquitoes and protect yourself from bites by following these tips:

- Mosquitoes need water to live; they especially like water that is dirty and not moving. Drain all sources of water around your home that may become a fertile breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- At least once a week, walk around your property and check around your yard for any containers that may collect water. Empty all buckets, flower pots, children's toys, cans or wheel barrows.
- If you are going to enjoy the outdoors around dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active, dress appropriately in pants and a light long sleeved shirt to prevent mosquitoes from biting you.
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Manuel Romero, former contestant on "America's Got Talent," will be performing with his band at a free concert on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 2 p.m.

The concert will be at the Central Library's Tsakopoulos Library Galleria. It will be the final program of the "American Sabor: Latinos in U.S. Popular Music" exhibit currently on display at the Central Library through Aug. 7.

Romero will be singing current top-40 hits, melodic Mariachi music and ballads in English and Spanish.

Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. and seating is limited.

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Carmichael Park Farmer's Market a booming success

By BENN HODAPP Arden-Carmichael News writer benn@valcomnews.com Photos by BILL CONDRAY

Endeavors that benefit everyone involved seem few and far between these days. But the Carmichael Park Farmer's Market just might

Its grand opening was held on May 1. Since then, some 55 vendors have rented a space at 5750 Grant Ave. in Carmichael to sell their produce from a number of northern California farms. The market, a product of Be-MoneySmart USA, a nonprofit designed to teach young people about business and finance, has become a booming success in its three months of operation.

Marie Hall, co-owner of the market with her husband Don, is eager to get

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the word out on the mar-

"It's been pretty popular," Hall said. "We get anywhere from 200 to 600 customers every Sunday."

BeMoneySmart raises money in order to run camps for young people to learn business practices. The kids, ranging from eight years old to high schoolers, work at the market as retailers in order to gain experience in sales and customer ser-

every Sunday, rain or shine, is open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The produce sold there is free of pesticides and some of the produce comes from certified organic farms. All produce comes from northern California farms, including farms located in North Highlands, Loomis, Lincoln, Exeter and Yolo and Lake counties.

It's more than just produce for those who stop by. It's a family atmosphere complete with live music, food and drink vendors and plenty of shade provided by the park's redwood trees. The BeMoneySmart kids also run the Leatherby's Ice Cream booth. In addition to ice cream, there are vendors selling sodas, orange juice, coffee and pastries.

The market's website at www.bemoneysmartusa.org describes the atmosphere as "a wonderful park-like setting making it a special occasion shopping for fresh fruit, vegetables, flowers, herbs and more..." Also available is extra virgin olive oil that is not available in stores.

"My favorite part is having the live music by local artists and watching people

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Sacramento Kings' minority owner discusses his history with the team

By LANCE ARMSTRONG Arden-Carmichael News writer lance@valcomnews.com

Editor's Note: This is the first article in a two-part series regarding Sacramento Kings owners who reside within the coverage area of Valley Community Newspapers.

There are undoubtedly many extreme fans of the Sacramento Kings throughout the region, but when it comes to details regarding the history of the city's popular professional basketball team, few people know more than Carmichael resident Bob Cook.

Bob, however, is no ordinary hardcore fan of the team, but instead his connection to the team is much greater

A lifelong sports fan, Bob was instrumental in the efforts to acquire the team and relocate it to the capital city in the 1980s.

In telling the story of Bob's history with the Kings, it is helpful to understand both his longtime love for sports and his upbringing as part of a family with a rich background in Sacramento real estate.

"My family has been steeped in real estate since 1924," Bob said. "My grandfather (Carroll Cook) was collecting rents in East Sacramento in a horse and buggy and he was doing that at the tender age of 19. Before that, he was a farmer and rancher. He bought several large parcels of land in the Sacramento area and at about 20, he realized there was another way to make a profit off the land and that was real estate."

Through this realization, Bob's grandfather founded the real estate brokerage company, Artz, Cook and

Drew with two other Sacramentans, George W. Artz and Napolean B. Drew. The company, which became known as Artz and Cook in 1934, merged into Prudential California Realty in 1998.

Upon Carroll's death in the 1950s, Bob's father, Carroll, Jr., became the president of Artz and Cook.

Bob, who lived the first years of his life at 2970Yellowstone Lane in the Town and Country Village area and spent his teenage years living at 2850 Ashbourne Drive, near Watt and Marconi avenues, a short distance from Del Paso Country Club, said that he developed a love for golf during his youth.

"Every day during the summers, when I was a teenager, I used to walk a whole block and a half to the golf course and play 36 holes," said Bob, who attended St. Philomenes's School at 2320 El Camino Ave. prior to advancing to Christian Brothers High School, where he graduated in 1960.

In growing up in a city known for its love of baseball, it should come as no surprise that Bob's favorite sport has always been baseball.

But with a general love for sports, Bob grew up playing many sports, including baseball, basketball, football, golf and handball.

Although he began to fulfill his mother Cookie's wish that he become employed in something other than real estate by studying to become a doctor, Bob said that his love for sports got in the way of this endeavor.

"I went to the University of San Francisco, because they had an outstanding pre-med department," Bob said. "I decided within six weeks of being there that I didn't want to be



Land Park News photo, Lance Armstrong

Sacramento Kings minority owner Bob Cook holds the first basketball used in a regular season NBA game played at Arco Arena – today's Power Balance Pavilion.

a doctor. I was only 17 when I was a freshman in college and all my buddies were out playing intermural football in the afternoons and I was in the biology lab and the German lab and it was just driving me nuts."

Like his grandfather, his father and his uncles, George and Bill Cook, Bob, after earning a bachelor's degree in economics at San Jose State University, eventually spent many years in real estate.

Bob, who continues to work in real estate today, said that there was a very distinct difference between himself and the boys he played baseball with during his youth.

"When I played baseball, my buddies' big goal was to be Major League Baseball players," Bob said. "My big goal was to own a piece of the team."

In 1977, around the same time Bob started the Bob Cook Co., a development company that builds restaurants, shopping centers and office buildings, Bob's childhood vision appeared a lot more realistic, as he encountered a small article while reading one of the city's daily newspapers.

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"Right around 1977, there was this little article in The Bee that said that there was this young guy who had a goal of bringing major league sports to Sacramento," Bob said. "He happened to be a good friend of one of the agents who worked for my dad and myself (at Artz and Cook), and his name was Steve Cippa. And I said to Steve when that article was in the paper, if your friend (Gregg) Lukenbill wants to partner, we have the same goals. And the next day, he was in my office and we had a meeting the first time we met. Then we did a three-hour brain storm meeting at his house that night. And that night we formed the Sacramento Sports Association, and the goal was to bring major league sports to Sacramento."

Although the formation of this association led to the 1978 purchase of the property where Power Balance Pavilion – formerly Arco Arena – is located today, it would be another five years until Bob, Lukenbill and others would purchase the National Basketball Association's Kansas City Kings.

While attempting to bring a Major League Baseball team to Sacramento, the association decided to instead place its attention on the struggling NBA.

After experiencing many challenges and facing much opposition even in their own city, the Kings' first owners, Bob, Gregg Lukenbill, Gregg's father, Frank Lukenbill, Cippa, Joe Benvenuti and Frank McCormack, had a temporary arena built east of the present arena.

The larger, current arena, which opened in 1988, began a new era in the history of the Kings, which has been under the majority ownership of the Maloof family since 1999.

Despite many changes during the Kings' nearly 26 years in Sacramento, the presence of Bob Cook as one of the team's owners has remained.

Bob, who is also passionate about tennis and has owned a half interest in the Sacramento Capitals of the World TeamTennis Pro League since 2007, said that his love for sports and Sacramento has maintained his interest in being a part of the Kings' ownership.

"I'm a third generation Sacramentan," Bob said. "My grandchildren are fifth generation. Sacramento has been really great to our family. It's a great community and it's a great place to raise a family. I love Sacramento and there's an excitement (about sports) and it's in my veins."







Photo courtesy, the Lance Armstrong Collection

The Alhambra Theatre, built in 1927 and razed in 1973, was designed in grand Moorish style. It was touted as "The Showplace of Sacramento.

Janey Way Memories

Taking the bus to the Alhambra Theatre



Arden-Carmichael News columnist marty@valcomnews.com

In 1960, I reached teen age, and my boundaries began to expand.

During the summer of that year, I rode on my bicycle to the Glen Hall pool to swim, hiked over to the American River at Howe Avenue to fish, and began going to movies with my friends Lou Viani, Dave Jurin and Al Wilson.

Our favorite movie theatre then was the Alhambra Theatre. Not only because of its proximity to where we lived, but also because of its splendor.

They built the old theatre in 1927, just before the Great Depression. Back then, people of my parents' generation took the streetcar down Stockton Blvd to Alhambra Boulevard (then 31st Street) and walked several blocks over to the theatre.

We took the bus to get there.

We boarded at the stop in front of Bossie's Drive-in, then proceeded down Folsom Blvd past landmarks like Doc's Hotdog Stand and East Lawn Cemetery, and eventually arrived at the intersection of Folsom and Alhambra. We disembarked there, by MacFarlane's Candy Store, and walked north past the Alhambra Bowl two blocks over to the venerable Alham-

When you walked up the wide promenade to the Alhambra, you knew you were someplace special.

The theater marquee sat on two towering Arabic columns announcing to all the title of the movie that was currently playing. Glimmering pools and tropical foliage bordered the walkway up to the theater. Inside, a plush red, exotically printed carpet covered the floor and gold trim adorned ceiling. Behind the long tier

of rows of seats at the front stood a stately, large balcony.

This dates back to before the multicinema complexes popular today, so only one great film was able to be featured at any given time. The Alhambra catered to youth and family. Consequently, it usually presented larger than life films, such as "Spartacus," "Seven Days in May" and "Ben Hur." These films measured up to the magnificence of this grand old theater.

I have never forgotten one unfortunate experience I had at the Alhambra.

A bunch of us went to see the Walt Disney film "Old Yeller." Part way through the film, I walked out to go to the restroom, but somehow took a wrong turn and exited the theater. When I walked back around the side to the front of the theatre, the usher asked to see my ticket stub, but I could not find it. She told me I would have to pay again to enter the theater.

Embarrassed, I walked over to a seat situated by a pool at the entrance to the theater and waited. After what seemed like hours, my friends exited the theatre and asked me what happened. When I told them, they laughed. They continued laughing all the way over to the bus. Soon, I began laughing too.

In 1973, Safeway Stores bought the old theater with intentions of building a grocery store on the property. The people of Sacramento bonded in an effort to save the site.

Unfortunately, that effort failed and old theater succumbed to demolition. Now, all that remains is one of the old theater fountains perched on the south side of the grocery store parking lot.

Like Edmonds Field and the old California State Fair Grounds, the Alhambra Theatre disappeared from the landscape of modern Sacramento. Now it only exists in my celluloid memories.

History book club meets at Carmichael Library

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Carmichael Presbyterian Preschool to hold 25th anniversary reunion celebration

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Carmichael Presbyterian Preschool will hold a 25th anniversary reunion celebration on Saturday, Sept. 24 at Carmichael Presbyterian Church from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in McMillen Hall.

Invitations will be mailed to all alumni in the month of August. All alumni are welcome: from toddlers to 20-somethings.

This celebratory event will feature face painting and balloon twisting performance artists from Happily Ever After, story-telling, crafts for young children, refreshments, and plentiful opportunities to reconnect and reminisce with early childhood friends and teachers.

Information about the reunion is available online at www.CarmichaelPresbyterianPreschool. com, by emailing director@CarmichaelPresbyterianPreschool. com. Alumni can also call the preschool at (916) 486-9189.

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TREE TECH



New Helvetia Cemetery history includes story of missing tombstones, flat markers

By LANCE ARMSTRONG Arden-Carmichael News writer lance@valcomnews.com

It has been nearly 162 years since Captain John A. Sutter set aside 10 acres for his establishment's first formal burial ground, the now nonexistent New Helvetia Cemetery.

The cemetery, which was eventually doubled in size, served the community for many years before evolving into a public park, which was known as Helvetia Park.

The old cemetery grounds, with the exception of a tombstone-like marker presenting information about the former cemetery, are no longer distin-

guishable. The land is presently the site of Sutter Middle School at 3150

In the process of creating Helvetia Park, the old cemetery, which actually adjoined East Park (today's McKinley Park), had its headstones removed and replaced with flat gravesite identi-

Unfortunately, various decisions and actions connected to the processes of creating the park and removing the cemetery in its entirety resulted in many missing tombstones and markers and even unidentified graves.

Other gravesites were presumably left unidentified in earlier times due to such possible causes as the deterioration of wooden markers and flooding that carried away wooden markers. Because of recurrent flooding in the area, there were no burials at the cemetery from 1850 to 1857.

A classic example related to the old cemetery's missing markers was presented in the Aug. 11, 1989 edition of The Sacramento Bee, as a story was related in which a lecture about Sacramento cemeteries at California Middle School was interrupted by a boy who raised his hand and said, "We have some of those stones in our yard."

In a meeting with the East Sacramento News last week, Dr. Bob La-Perriere, co-chair of the Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission, discussed the topic of missing tombstones and other markers from the New Helvetia Cemetery.

When they removed the bodies in the 1950s, we're not sure exactly what happened, but some people recall that these concrete markers were kind of stacked up along the street," LaPerriere said. "A couple years ago, we located - just between two homes behind Sutter Middle School - over 70 of these flat, concrete markers. They were used for stepping stones and kind of to widen the driveway."

LaPerriere said that a unique event occurred following the dis-

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covery of these markers, as the stones were transported from Sutter Middle School to East Lawn Memorial Park at Folsom Boulevard and 43rd Street via a horsedrawn wagon.

The decision to deliver these markers to East Lawn Memorial Park was a simple one, considering that the city had purchased property at the cemetery for a mass, unmarked burial site, where 4,691 unidentified human remains from the New Helvetia Cemetery were reinterred.

Unfortunately, this large number of "unknowns," as these unidentified remains are often referred to, account for the majority of the remains from the New Helvetia Cemetery.

The Sacramento Historic City Cemetery at 1000 Broadway is the site of the remains of about 400 additional people who were once buried at the New Helvetia Cemetery.

However, these remains are individually identified and are located in three separate areas at the Broadway cemetery, west of Riverside Boulevard.

Other individually identified remains from the New Helvetia Cemetery were reinterred at the following Sacramento city and county cemeteries: East Lawn, Masonic Lawn Cemetery at 2700 Riverside Blvd., Odd Fellows Lawn Cemetery at 2720 Riverside Blvd., St. Joseph's Cemetery at 2615 21st St., St. Mary's Cemetery at 6700 21st St., Sacramento Memorial Lawn at 6100 Stockton Blvd., Elk Grove Cemetery at 8540 Elk Grove Blvd. in Elk Grove and the Sylvan

Cemetery at 7401 Auburn Blvd. in Citrus Heights.

Despite this long list of other cemeteries, LaPerriere notes that a relatively low number of remains from the New Helvetia Cemetery were relocated to these cemeteries.

LaPerriere provided the following numbers regarding the relocations of these remains: 410 sent to Broadway cemetery, 84 to East Lawn, 32 to Odd Fellows, six to Sacramento Memorial Lawn, three to St. Joseph's, three to Elk Grove, two to St. Mary's and one to Masonic.

In regard to the many flat markers from the New Helvetia Cemetery site that are still missing today, LaPerriere mentioned that he would not be surprised if some of these markers are presently located on residential properties within the nearby vicinity of this former East Sacramento cemetery.

Although the aforementioned mass burial at East Lawn Memorial Park is recognized as consisting of "unknowns" or unidentified remains, this does not mean that there are no records of any of the names of the deceased people from the New Helvetia Cemetery who were reburied

To the contrary, records exist for many people who were buried at the New Helvetia Cemetery and it is by deduction from the names of those who were reinterred in other local cemeteries that a list of assumed names was created for the mass burial site at East Lawn Memorial Park.

LaPerriere said that East Lawn Memorial Park, although it was not obligated to do so, greatly contributed to the cemetery's mass burial site.

"The city never put up a marker or anything (at the mass burial site), absolutely nothing," LaPerriere said. "It took John Bettencourt (the late cemetery historian and preservationist who was vital in the formation of the Old City Cemetery Committee) and I working with East Lawn, quite a few years ago, to get the area memorialized. East Lawn, of course, had no responsibility to do it. The city bought the area, buried the people and the city should have taken care of things. But East Lawn, being very community minded, worked with us and they put four (right angle) corner walls in around the area to demarcate the area and they put a nice monument in the center memorializing those who were moved from New Helvetia (Cemetery).'

In addition to this burial site's corner markers, most of the perimeter of the site is outlined with the flat, concrete markers that had been retrieved from the residential yards near Sutter Middle School.

As of about two years ago, the whereabouts of only one verified original tombstone from the New Helvetia Cemetery was known.

But fortunately, it was discovered that another original New Helvetia Cemetery tombstone - that of members of the Asch family - was located

About a month ago, the stone was relocated to Sacramento and it will



Arden-Carmichael News photo, Susan Lai These stones are all that remain from the New Helvetia Cemetery in Sacramento. Where are the remaining monuments for the other 4,620+ persons re-interred in 1953 at East Lawn Memorial Park? It is a mystery...

soon be placed in the Sacramento Historic Čity Cemetery's already existing Asch plot.

LaPerriere said that anyone with information regarding missing headstones or markers from the New Helvetia Cemetery is encouraged to call the Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission at (916) 874-9103 or write to the e-mail address: cemeterycommission@saccounty.net.

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at the museum, from the occasional volunteer to top management staff, has played an enthusiastic role pitting together this year's event.

The event will be held on Aug. 6. This year's plans were being formulated within hours after the last cruise trophy was handed out last

"We're determined to make the cruise better every year, and yes we've learned along the way," said Karen McClaflin, executive director of the museum.

This year the CAM Cruise starts from the Sacramento State campus, travels along a beautiful fivemile route to the storied Fulton of bands, food, awards, fun and head-turning cars. Five hundred participants are expected this year, with all cars, trucks, motorcycles and vintage travel trailers welcome, regardless of age.

Visit www.calautomuseum.org for more information and vehicle admission fees. General ad-Avenue corridor, the focal point mission is free for spectators.

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Photo courtesy, LiquidLibrary QUILTERS' PRIDE, a current exhibit of quilts at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center, runs through Sunday, Aug. 6.

'Quilters' Pride' exhibit continues

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The "Quilters' Pride" exhibition of works by the Monday Morning Quilters of Northminster Presbyterian Church continues at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center through Sunday, Aug. 6.

Quilts and quilting are a significant part of the American experience. They served a practical purpose in history – that of recycling old materials such as worn shirts and flour sacks into warm blankets, lap rugs or wall hangings that kept drafts out of the home - as well as a spiritual purpose. This was one way women could express themselves creatively, and this art form continues to inspire today.

Gallery hours are Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Sacramento Fine Arts Center is located at 5330B Gibbons Drive in Carmichael. For more information, call (916) 971-3713.

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Farmer's Market

smiling and hanging out," Hall said.

There are even some live demonstrations that take place. The growth has been so impressive that Hall said an artisan fair is slated to begin in September. The quarterly fair will run simultaneously with the market and will have vendors selling blown glass, paintings and various other handmade crafts.

There is still room to add 10-15 vendors, according to Hall, but beyond that it will have gone past capacity. Those interested in purchasing a spot at the market can contact Don and Marie Hall at info@bemoneysmartusa.org.







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This 26th annual event will be held on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011 and Sunday, Aug. 7. Come join me at the Croatian Cultural Center at 3730 Auburn Boulevard, two blocks east of I-80 and Watt Ave., and enjoy Italian music, culture, food (who doesn't enjoy Italian food?), wine tasting, entertainers and world-class dancers.

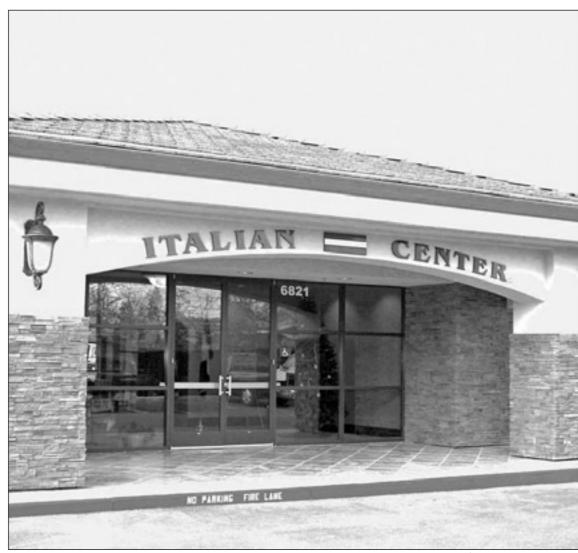
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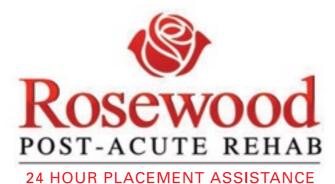




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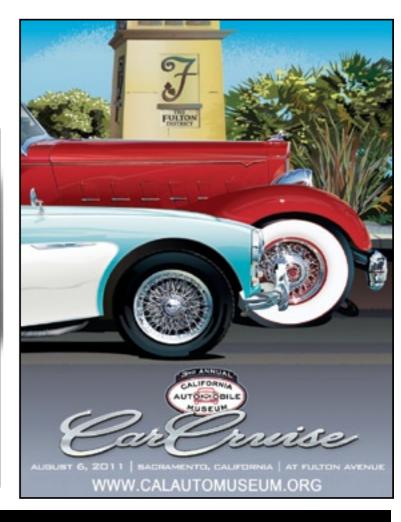
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Sacramento Downtown Plaza Farmer's Market

July 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25: Sacramento Downtown Plaza Farmer's Market. Every Thursday, May-Sept. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 4th & K streets, Sac. www.california-grown.com

Sutterville Heights Optimist Club

July 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25: Come enjoy community speakers and community projects for youth. 12 noon., every Thurs. Aviators Restaurant, 6151 Freeport Blvd., Sac. Cliff (916) 427-2698 or Mary-Jo at (916)

Sacramento Kaiser Farmer's Market

July 29, Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26: Sacramento Kaiser Farmer's Market. Every Friday, June-Nov. 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. 2025 Morse Ave., Sac. www.sierrafresh.com

Kiwanis Club of East Sacramento-Midtown

July 29, Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26: Come listen to an interesting guest speaker weekly; community service, serving the children of the world. Visitors welcome, first breakfast "on us." 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. Fridays. 2875 50th St., UC Davis Med. Ctr., Sac. (916) 761-2124 www.eastsacmidtownkiwanis.com

Rotary Club of Point West

July 29, Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 7 a.m., every Fri. Double Tree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way., Sac. www.pointwestrotary.com

Soroptimists of Sacramento

July 29, Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26: Soroptimist International of Sacramento South, a service club for business and professional women, meets Fridays. 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd., Sac. Barbara McDonald, (916) 363-6927

Concert in the Park

July 30: "Because - A Beatles Tribute Band" will perform songs of the Fab Four for your listening and dancing enjoyment. Free. 6:30 p.m. Danny Bishop Memorial Pavilion for the Performing Arts in Carmichael Park, 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael. (916) 483-7826

Country Club Plaza Farmer's Market

July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27: Country Club Plaza Farmer's Market. Every Saturday, year round. 8 a.m.-noon. Watt & El Camino, Butano Dr. parking lot, Sac. www.california-grown.com

Food Addicts Anonymous

July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27: 12-Step group for those who struggle with obesity, food obsession or eating disorders. Meets Saturdays. 8 a.m. Mercy General Hospital North Auditorium, 4001 J St., Sac. (800) 600-6028.

Spare the Water Sacramento workshop

July 30, Aug. 27, Oct. 22: Water Conservation can help you save water and money. Learn how to save water and money in and around your home. Free conservation tips and tools. Learn about rebates, more. Attendance at these workshops also waives fines for water conservation violations, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Workshops on June 25 and Aug. 27 will also contain Water Conservation Ambassador Training. City of Sacramento Department of Utilities Water Conservation Office, 2260 Glen Ellen Circle, Sac. www.sparesacwater.org

Co-Dependents Anonymous

July 31, Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28: 12-Step group for those who struggle to maintain healthy relationships. Meets Sundays. 2 p.m. Heritage Oaks Hospital, 4300 Auburn Blvd., Rm.101, Sac (866) 794-9993.

Community Sunday breakfast

July 31, Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28: Enjoy a delicious breakfast of eggs Benedict, corned beef hash, Joe's scramble, pancakes and more. 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m, every Sun. \$9. Elks Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd. (at Florin Rd.), Sac. Proceeds benefit student scholarships. www.elks6.com

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July 31. Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28: The Widowed Persons Assn. sponsors Sunday Support sessions which are held every Sunday, rain or shine - holidays included. 3 p.m.-5 p.m. 2628 El Camino Ave., Ste. D-18 (east of Fulton). Widows and widowers welcome. Barbara Stewart (916) 363-3482

AUGUST

Hatha yoga

Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Align the body through breathing techniques, postures and deep relaxation. 3 p.m.-4 p.m. Hart Senior Center, 915 27th St., Sac. (916)808-5462. Meets every Mon. Repeats Wed., Fri.

Knitting and Nattering

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Rotary Club of South Sacramento

Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 11:30 a.m., every Mon. Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd., Sac. www.rotary.org.

Tai Chi & Chi Keung

Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Chinese exercise combines specific movements and relaxation. 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Hart Senior Center, 915 27th St., Sac. Meets every Mon. (916) 808-5462

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Faces and places

Public flocks to 30th annual 'Turtlerama'

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Youngsters and the young at heart came to the 30th an-

nual "Turtlerama" on July 16.
Hosted by the Sacramento Turtle and Tortoise Club, the popular annual event featured lots and lots of active turtles and tortoises, fascinated children and adults, and many opportunities to learn.

The interactions between humans and reptiles resulted in adoptions, better care for current Chelonian family members and an appreciation for the hard-shelled creatures in general.

Turtlerama will return next year. For more information about the proper care and/or rescuing of turtles, visit the Sacramento Turtle and Tortoise Club's website at www. turtlebunker.com.

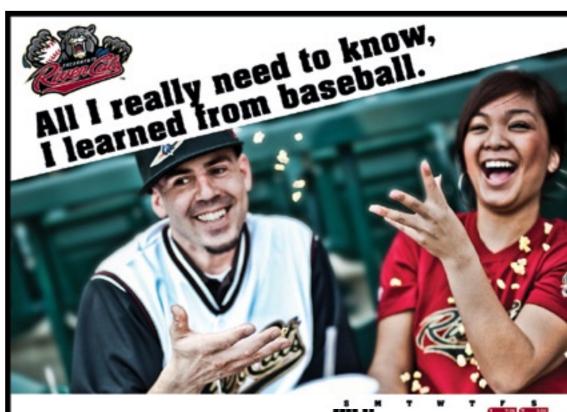
















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