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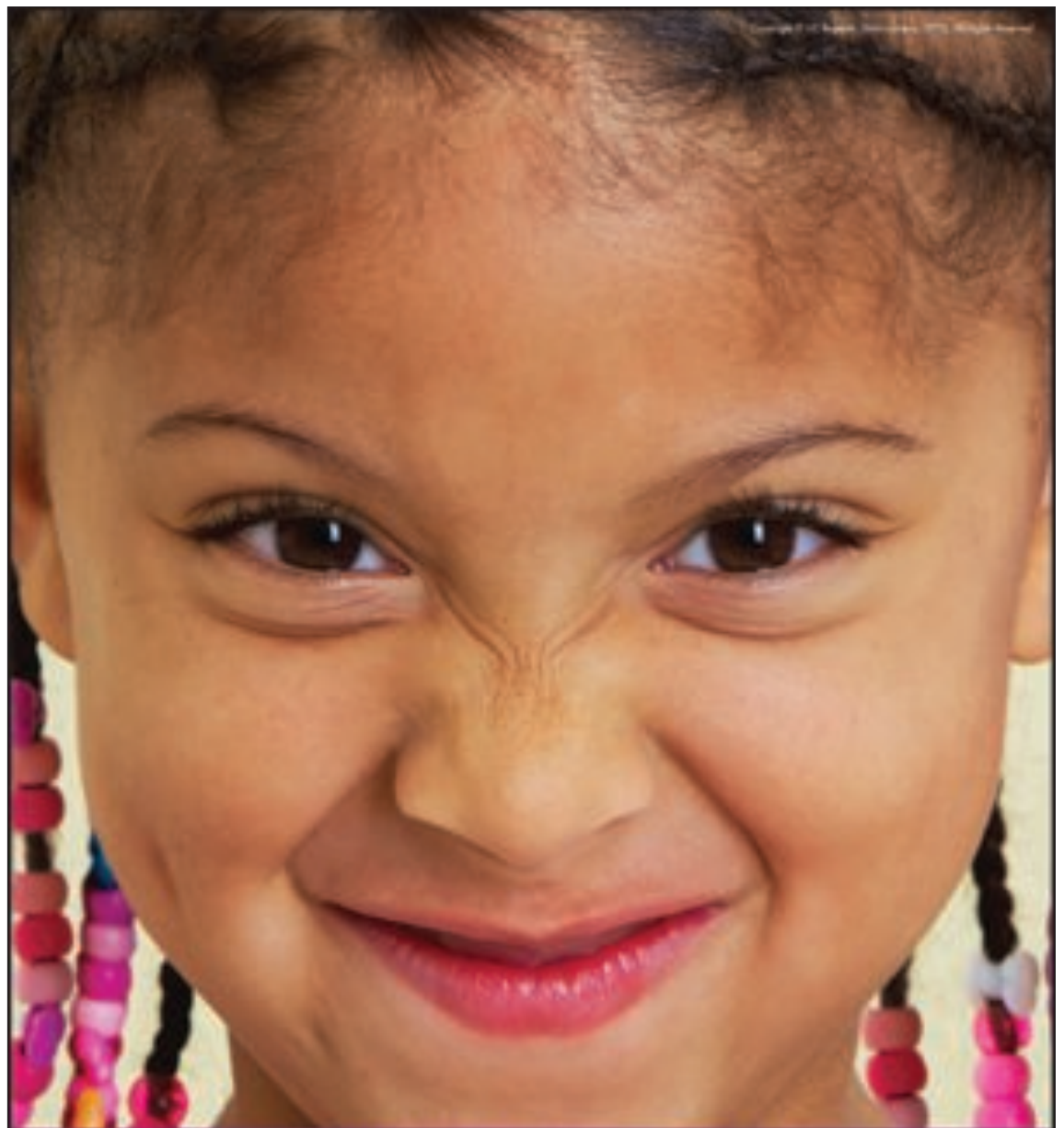
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Watt Avenue at U.S. Hwy 50 Interchange Project

CalTrans was hard at work the first weekend in April on the Watt Avenue at U.S. Hwy 50 Interchange Project.

This project will modify the existing interchange to reduce congestion, install dedicated transit facilities, and improve access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, according to a press release. O. C. Jones & Sons General Engineering Contractors was awarded contract work (\$22.5 million) at the Sept. 25, 2012, Board of Supervisors meeting.

According to Mike Penrose, SACDOT Director, "When completed, this project will be a model for other jurisdictions to use when faced with the difficult challenge of moving all modes of transportation through an interchange, which in the past have been

designed with an emphasis on motor vehicles.

"This project has multi-modal design features that set it apart from any other interchange in California and includes: a continuous bicycle/pedestrian pathway separated from vehicular traffic that goes through the entire interchange; and the first dedicated Bus Rapid Transit facility of its type in the state. The added safety and congestion relief provided by the project will be appreciated by all travelers through the corridor," Penrose said.

Major elements of this project include:

Widening the existing Watt Avenue overcrossing at U.S. 50 to add: 1) two additional through lanes and two auxiliary lanes over the freeway; 2) additional lanes for high occu-



Photo by Monica Stark

50/Watt interchange.

pancy vehicles to the freeway on-ramps; and 3) widen and realign freeway off-ramps to terminate at Watt Avenue at two signalized intersections.

Add a new dedicated Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lane on

Watt Avenue from north of the interchange to the existing Manlove Light Rail Station.

Construct a new center structure connecting the existing northbound and southbound U.S. 50 overpasses.

Add a continuous bicycle/pedestrian pathway separated from vehicular traffic along the east side of Watt Avenue between La Riviera Drive and Manlove Road, with grade separated undercrossings at the freeway ramps.

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Former Carmichael Park pool manager, swim coach shares memories of pool

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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Editor's Note: This is part three of a series regarding the old Carmichael Park pool, which was recently demolished.

Back in the early 1970s, when Richard Nixon was still president and bell bottoms and disco were the rage, a young college student named Don Haws began working at the Carmichael Park pool.

And although his overall time working at the pool represents a relatively short segment of his life, Haws, during an interview with this publication last week, said, "Those were some of the most memorable, pleasant and fun experiences of my life."

But long before he became acquainted with the pool,

Haws, 69, had grown up in Santa Barbara.

Haws recalled how he learned how to swim in that city during his childhood.

"When I was about 5 years, I got over my fear of water and the ocean and discovered my body was buoyant and I could dog paddle," Haws said. "Then when my parents (Karl and Wanda) got a boat, it was mandatory that I wore a lifejacket on the boat until I learned how to swim. So, I decided to take swim lessons at a public swimming pool."

While attending Santa Barbara High School, Haws was a member of the school's football team, which won the 1960 California Interscholastic Federation large school, Southern Section championship at the Los Angeles Coliseum. He also lettered on the

school's swim team as a distance swimmer.

After graduating from high school in 1961, he fulfilled his general education requirements and played football at Santa Barbara City College.

In about 1963, Haws joined the Army Reserves, and from about 1965 to 1967, he served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Central America in a district that covered an area from Guatemala to Panama.

After returning home from his mission, Haws continued his education at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in pre-law and a minor in ergonomics (physical education) in 1970.

During his time at that university, Haws married his high school sweetheart, Hol-



Photo courtesy of Don Haws
Don and Holly Haws resided in Carmichael during the 1970s, while Don managed the Carmichael Park pool and was the head coach of the Carmichael Beavers Swim Team.

ly Lyons, and they eventually had three children – David, Daniel and Shelly.

After graduating from UC Santa Barbara, Haws was accepted to attend the McGeorge School of Law at 3282 5th Ave.

Haws said that his time at McGeorge was a short-lived endeavor.

"After six weeks, I dropped out, because I decided that law was not the profession that I wanted to pursue for a lifetime," Haws said.

In the process of changing his direction in life, Haws visited Carmichael resident Dr. Jerome Needy, a department chairman at Sacramento State College (now Sacramento State University).

Needy allowed Haws to become a student in the recreation and park administration program under the provision that he completed undergraduate classes prior to being accepted into the graduate program.

In 1972, Haws applied for employment at the Carmichael Recreation and Park District as a day camp leader at Carmichael Park.

In addition to his work as a day camp leader, Haws served as a part-time lifeguard at the park's pool.

He obtained that position due to his American Red Cross lifeguard certification, swim team experience and his major.

About seven months later, Haws was hired as the pool manager at Carmichael Park by the district's administrator, Dick Pollock.

In recalling his work as the pool's manager in 1972 and 1973, Haws said, "It was a real reward for my service and it was an incredible experience working under a park administrator who was so well trained in the field of aquatics. He was a pro. You couldn't ask for a better mentor. He was on the swim team at UC Berkeley and he was a great diver."

Additionally, Haws expressed high praise for the pool's lifeguard program during that era.

"I truly believe that we and other pools in the Sacramento area were the avant-garde of pool lifeguarding in the United

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Pool: Former manager hopes to prevent tragic drowning somehow

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States at the time," Haws said. "At our pool, we were developing a pool manual for policies and procedures. Our lifeguards had to sign in for weekly training and were required to swim laps to keep physically fit. We ran a tight ship and we ran it well. That pool was spotless. We had some outstanding lifeguards, including Lori Worthington, Harry Powell, Linda McBeth and Marcella Payne.

Haws added that the lifeguards were quite attractive, as well.

"All of our lifeguards were attractive, even the men," he said. "I don't know where they came from, like modeling places or something."

While serving as the pool's manager in 1972, Haws began coaching the 13 to 17-year-old swimmers of the Golden Valley Swim League's Carmichael Beavers Swim Team, which at that time held its practices and home meets at the park's pool.

His assistant was Sharon Faulkner, who coached the 12 and under team members.

In discussing his memories of coaching the Beavers, Haws said, "It was a very fulfilling experience watching the kids im-

prove their performances. We were fortunate to win all our dual meets. Unfortunately, I didn't have them sufficiently prepared for the finals and I totally accept responsibility.

"There were many great stories associated with my time as the Beavers' head coach. The one that touched me the most was the only moment when I had tears in my eyes at a swim meet. It was a race involving the 6 and under swim team members. The starting gun went off and it was obvious that one of the boy swimmers was not yet a strong swimmer, and he would have to swim several strokes without taking a breath and then grab onto the lane line to catch his breath. All swimmers had completed the race about one minute ahead of this boy when he finally finished the race. During the last portion of the race, everyone in the stands stood up and applauded his diligent and heart-warming effort. As the exhausted boy was attempting to climb out of the pool, I reached down and pulled him out of the water and embraced him, as tears came to my eyes."

Haws, who was a certified scuba diver, brought the most unique program to the pool during the summer of 1973, when he arranged for scuba diving classes to be held at the pool.

After his two years of working at the Carmichael Park pool, Haws, who was then in a wheelchair due to back spasms, was nonetheless determined to take a county test at the old La Sierra High School in an attempt to become the pool manager at Elk Grove Park.

Haws had the highest score on the test and was offered the position. But he never worked a day on the job, since it was discovered that he had testicular cancer that required an operation and radiation treatment.

Fortunately for Haws and his family, these procedures were successful.

During his time of recovery, Haws completed his master's thesis, which he titled "A Comparative Analysis of State Lifeguard Training Standards."

His thesis was considered a landmark project, because it admonished people responsi-

ble for public pools that mere lifeguard certification through the Red Cross was insufficient to insure public safety at swimming pools.

In discussing his thesis, Haws said, "State requirements for public pool supervision needed to be revisited and upgraded."

After completing his thesis, Haws worked as the recreation supervisor at Arden Park for about a year, and then he worked for about two years as the recreation superintendent for the North Highlands Recreation and Park District.

In 1979, Haws returned to his hometown, where he was hired as the general program

supervisor for the city of Santa Barbara's recreation department. Among the divisions that he supervised was the beaches and swimming pools division.

Eventually, Haws was enticed by his brother, Jerry, a real estate attorney, to become a real estate agent – a position he has held for the past 29 years.

Although he changed careers, Haws, who also has a brother named Karl, said that one day he hopes to assist in his former field by helping to prevent tragic drowning incidents through some avenue such as public speaking, authoring a book or becoming a teacher at the junior college level.

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Race for the STARS set for Sunday, April 21

The San Juan Education Foundation is hosting the third annual Race for the STARS: a 10K run, 5K run and walk and kids runs on Sunday, April 21, 2013 at 8 a.m., at Rio Americano High School.

Kids fun runs will start at 8 a.m. and will include quarter mile and half mile races. Participants receive a medal and t-shirt.

The 10K and 5K runs as well as the 5K walk will start at 8:30 a.m. at Rio Americano High School, will wind along the American River, and will end at Rio Americano High School. ChronoTrack chip timing will be provided by Capital Road Race Management. Trophies will be presented to winners in age categories from 10 to over 70 as well as top male and female runners.

Your San Juan Unified School District school will receive \$10 from every adult entry fee and \$5 from every

student or child entry fee. Race participants need to designate their school when they register.

A family festival featuring live music, food, and activities for kids of all ages - including a climbing wall, kids jump, canine companions, fire truck, and activities from art to sports.

This is an opportunity to support our children and raise money for direct-to-teacher grants for high quality educational projects focused on science, technology, arts, and reading in San Juan schools.

"We expect the event to be larger this year because we are actively reaching out to all SJUSD schools and the event will not only raise money for direct to teacher grants in the STARS areas of science, technology, arts, and reading - the individual schools will be able to use the event as their fund-

raiser as they will make \$10 on each adult registration and \$5 on each student/child registration," said Pamela Lapinski, Executive Director of the San Juan Education Foundation.

According to Lapinski, the foundation has a grant process and funds grants in the fall and spring. She says all SJUSD teachers are eligible to apply for a grant. "We have Innovative Learning Grants of up to \$1,000 and Project Based Learning Grants up to \$5,000," she said.

Lapinski said the SJEF has funded over a quarter of a million dollars in teacher grants since 2007.

"This is our third year of the event, and it is important to our annual fundraising and will grow in importance as more schools get actively involved. The district is actively supporting the race as part of their fitness initiative to get more kids and staff moving!" she said.

According to the website for the race, "The San Juan Education Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization led by passionate parents and business leaders who want to provide all students with an excellent education that enables them to be competitive in the challenging workplace of the future.

"Providing a child with the tools for success not only develops a strong



workforce, it contributes to the strength and safety of our community. Support education by running, walking, and collecting pledges for this day of family fun and fitness."

In order for Race for the STARS to be a success the organization needs volunteers. Students receive community service hours. If you are interested in volunteering for the event and helping the foundation raise money for San Juan schools, contact the organization through the race website (www.raceforthestars.com).

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Student leader making an impact at Churchill Middle

It's hard to keep up with Jacqueline Tsang on the black-top as she helps prepare for a morning rally at Winston Churchill Middle School.

One second the eighth grader's tiny frame is lugging multi-colored safety cones across the basketball courts; the next she's helping carry a heavy folding table to its mark. In between she's directing and delegating, helping her fellow students understand their responsibilities to ensure this school gathering goes as planned.

This is Jacqueline in her element: taking control and helping others be their best. She demonstrates that whether she's leading the successful speech and debate team, or as student body president, supporting positive change on campus.

On student government, she helps organize cultural diversity rallies, anti-bullying public service announcements and a movement called "Love Bombs," an outlet for students to send positive messages to each other.

It's the kind of everyday leadership found so often throughout San Juan Unified: people giving themselves to their school communities in hopes of making lasting improvements.

"Jacqueline is the epitome of strong leadership: She takes initiative while inspiring other students to make an impact," said Superintendent Glynn Thompson. "These are the types of success stories happening every day in San Juan Unified, and we should all take the opportunity to celebrate them."

Here are excerpts from a recent conversation San Juan Unified staff had with Jacqueline. You can nominate someone for a leadership news profile at www.sanjuan.edu/leadership.

Tell us about student government's anti-bullying efforts.

Bullying is a very big problem at our school. We are trying to have anti-bullying weeks, so what we do is what we call a "Pass it On" project ... basically just a small skit the students in student government class make in order to show bullying and the effects of it. ... We're trying to integrate this not just one week or one day in our school

year but throughout the entire (year).

Though bullying is a prevalent problem, the sad thing is we can't exactly find every single bully at this school and target them. To change bullying really starts within. ... The most we can do is raise awareness of it to stop it.

What is your responsibility on the speech and debate team?

I'm not the outright president or anything. I just decided to lead the discussions, because a lot of the problems in debate at the beginning of the year (were due to) a lot of the kids starting to keep all their information and research to themselves and not share. So by the last debate, I decided this needed to stop and that we needed to become a more cohesive team. I realized that if we share more research with each other, we're able to get a lot more done. ... It really did make me feel a lot better that our team was one structure and not a bunch of small structures.

You were being proactive.

Proactive is not just something I learned in speech and debate. I (also) learned it in student government. The cool thing about student government is, it isn't just one leader. Everyone in that class is a leader; everyone knows how to take initiative. ... It's really about seeing problems and fixing them. A lot of time we see problems, and we complain about them. But the cool thing about student government is that we're able to actually do something about it.

Is that part of your philosophy on being an effective leader?

Yes. Something I've learned is that I wasn't just a natural leader. Trust me, I'm not a natural leader. I've had to learn so many of these skills and so many of these lessons throughout my student government experience. For example, you can plan as much as you want, you can plan entire binders full of everything, but if you bite off more than you can chew, and if you don't communicate well, then you're not going to be able to execute well. ...

As a leader, you're not just a head; a head can't just do everything. You've got to have a body, and that consists of all my wonderful student government members who constantly support me.

-Courtesy of the San Juan Unified School District

So how did you learn to be a leader?

It wasn't like, "Here's a book on leadership; read it and you'll be a leader!" Sadly, it's not that easy. A lot of ... being a leader is starting now. Starting in these experiences such as student government, planning large events and being able to

learn from your mistakes. ... It's that combination of being able to learn from your mistakes and change what you're doing in order to fix those mistakes.

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Theater One Gets Mysterious

Theater One gets mysterious with its production of "An Act of the Imagination" by Bernard Slade set to open April 19 for a three weekend run. The play tells the story of Arthur Putnam, successful mystery novelist, whose latest book is more torrid romance than mystery. His wife Julia suspects he may be writing about his own affair. Life takes a deadly slide down hill for Arthur from there.

The play was a change of pace for Bernard Slade as well who is best known for his romantic comedy "Same Time, Next Year." "Imagination" comes on the heels of the successful run of "Jules Verne Eats a Rhinoceros," Theater One's well-reviewed fall play.

Under the direction of long time stage and radio veteran Kent Gray, "Imagination" features Theater One regulars Mike Erwin and Lisa Karkoski as Arthur and Julia. Joining them are Theater One member Brady Torres and company newcomers Tressa Ohler, Brian Wallace, Dustin Miller and Paula Barkley.

Both Erwin and Karkoski have anchored Theater One offerings in the past, appearing together in "The Butterfinger Angel" and "Wonder of the World." Torres, a talented musician as well as an actress, was last seen as the one-man pit band in "Jules Verne" and as a Washington inside in "The Best Man." Ohler's last stage appearance was as Nurse Ratched in "One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest" at the Tower in Roseville. Miller's film work includes Discovery I.D.'s "Wives." Both appeared in the Sundance Grand Prize Winner feature film "Fruitvale." Barkley, a makeup artist for film, was also seen in "Cuckoo's Nest." Wallace can be seen in the HBO film "Barbarians at the Gate."

"Act of the Imagination" runs April 19 through May 5 on the main stage at Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento, 2425 Sierra Boulevard, Sacramento, with shows Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. More information is available by calling 489-4248 or online at theaterone.org.



Good Day Sunshine by Randy Honerlah - acrylic on canvas

Art at Artistic Edge

For the month of April, Artistic Edge is featuring works by local artist Bill Reed, Phyllis Eymann and Randy Honerlah. There will be a reception on Saturday, April 13 from 4 to 7pm at 1880 Fulton Ave., Sacramento 95825. (916) 482-2787 or www.artisticedgeframing.com

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"Chess Match" by Diane Tharp



"Poppy Glow" by Maria Porter, Best of Show 2012

Watercolor exhibit at Sacramento Fine Arts Center set for April 2-20

Watercolor Artists of Sacramento Horizons is presenting an annual members' watercolor show, entitled "Awash with Color" from April 2-20 at Sacramento Fine Arts Center, 5330 B Gibbons Dr. in Carmichael. More than 100 watercolors are expected to be displayed. Gal-

lery hours are Tuesdays from 11 a.m. through 7 p.m. and Wednesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a special Second Saturday Reception with live music on April 13 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Center at 971-3713.

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It's tourney season:

San Juan students shine in academic contests

San Juan Unified students continue to lead the pack as local and regional academic competitions gain full steam in the waning months of the school year.

Here's a sampling of some recent accomplishments:

Mira Loma High School and several students have qualified for the National History Bowl in Washington, D.C. and Arlington, Va. Students Hoon Min and Emily Wang qualified for individual competitions, and Emily Wang and Nezar Jemal have

qualified for the national championships of the inaugural U.S. Geography Bowl.

Mira Loma and Rio Americano high schools are headed to the state Science Olympiad finals after finishing first and fourth, respectively, in the regional competition March 16. Winston Churchill and Barrett middle schools finished first and fourth also in their division and will also be heading to state finals.

Students from Winston Churchill Middle School and Del Campo High School headed to the California History Day competi-




tion next month after qualifying at regionals March 9. With "Turning Points in History: People, Ideas, Events" as the 2013 theme, students presented projects by creating exhibits, research papers, and

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ONGOING:

Volunteers needed at Casa Garden

The Los Ninos Service League (LNSL) is holding its next recruitment for new volunteers. LNSL volunteers work at the Casa Garden Restaurant, whose proceeds help support the Sacramento Children's Home. Since 1974 the Casa, located in the Curtis Park neighborhood, has been raising funds to help support the Sacramento Children's Home. For more information on becoming a volunteer, please join us for

a recruitment coffee on **Wednesday, May 8** at 9:30 a.m., at 2760 Sutterville Rd., Sacramento, CA 95820. Please RSVP at (916) 452-2809.

The Sacramento Rose Society

Meets the **second Thursday** of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., in East Sacramento. For more information, visit www.sactorose.org/sacramentorosesociety.

The Sacramento Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors

Meets every third **Thursday** of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sacramento Association of Realtors 2003 Howe Ave. It

is a luncheon and features various speakers and topics that impact business locally.

Nominations Accepted for District 3 'Volunteer of the Year' Award

Tell Councilmember Cohn about an individual or community group that gives of their time and energy to make our District 3 community a great place to live. Send a one-paragraph summary about the person or community group that shares their time and talents for the betterment of our community and why they deserve to be recognized. The award will be presented at the June 8 Pops in the Park concert at Glenn Hall Park. Nominations are due by end of day on Friday, April 19. Please email your nomination to sbrown@cityofsacramento.org

Travel club meetings slated at Arcade Library

The Sacramento Public Library invites all travelers to its monthly "No Reservations Travel Club" meetings at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Arcade branch, 2443 Marconi Ave. The free adult meetings feature a speaker, plus time for exchanging travel information within the group. 264-2920 or visit www.saclibrary.org.

Finding the Right Path art exhibit

Through out the month, an art exhibition of landscape paintings by local artist Jo Anne Marquardt will be held at Sacramento City College library, third floor. Hours of the library are 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. on Fridays and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. It is closed Sunday except for a reception from 1-3 p.m. on Sun. March 10.

Carmichael clothes drive

Now-April 13 For every pound received 15 cents will be donated to

Sacramento Area Creeks Council to support Creek Week. Drop off at Carmichael Recreation and Park District, 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (April 13 at Carmichael Park Band Shell). Bring clothes in plastic bags.

Fairytale Town presents its annual puppet festival

Thursdays - Sundays, **May 2 - June 16**, Weekdays at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Weekends at 12:30, 1:30, 2:30 p.m. Children and adults can enjoy live puppet show performances inside Fairytale Town's Children's Theater. Puppet show performances from May 2 through June 2 will be performed by Puppet Art Theater Company. The festival will end with the premiere of Fairytale Town's original puppet production of "Rumpelstiltskin" from June 6 through 16. Tickets are \$2 for nonmembers in addition to park admission, and \$1 for members. www.fairytaletown.org, 808-7462. 3901 Land Park Dr.

City of Sacramento announces summer youth jobs

Deadline for application, **April 1**: The City is hiring approximately 60 youth between the ages of 14-17 for the position "Youth Aide" which pays \$8 an hour, Friday - Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (6 1/2 hours per day - includes 1/2 hour unpaid lunch). Applications must be returned to the Belle Coolege Community Center (5699 S. Land Park Dr.) by 4 pm, Monday, April 1. Program runs June 21 to Aug. 11 with training scheduled for June 19 and 20. All paperwork must be submitted for applications to be considered.

APRIL

Children's Theater Festival at Fairytale Town

Saturdays & Sundays, now through April 28: Show times at 12:30 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Introduce your children to the magic of theater! During the month of April, Fairytale Town showcases a diverse selection of theater performances each weekend in the Children's Theater. Performing companies include the Fairytale Town Troupers, Shadow Puppet Theatre, Boxtales Theatre Company, Roseville Theatre Arts Academy and more. Tickets are \$2 for nonmembers in addition to park admission, and \$1 for members. Tickets can be purchased at the Fairytale Town main gate or at the entrance to the Children's Theater 15 minutes prior to show time. www.fairytaletown.org or 808-7462. 3901 Land Park Dr., Sacramento, 95822

How to find your ancestors in the cemetery

April 11: "How to Find Your Ancestors in the Cemetery" will be presented by Paul E. Hodel at the Root Cellar Sacramento Genealogical Society meeting. 7 pm to 8:30 p.m. Christ Community Church, 5025 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael. Free, visitors welcome

Rotary Club of Pocket/Greenhaven

April 11: Guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 7:30 a.m., every Thursday. Aviators Restaurant, 6151 Freepoint Blvd. (916) 684-6854.

Teen book spine poetry

April 11: Celebrate National Poetry Month by searching the library shelves for books with interesting titles, and stacking them to create found poetry at 4 p.m. at Arcade Library. Vote on your favorite poem, and see your book spine poem posted online and in the library! 2443 Marconi Ave. 264-2920, www.saclibrary.org.

Sacramento Japanese Film Festival Screening: 'Twenty-Four Eyes'

April 12: The Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church presents 'Twenty-Four Eyes' at 6:45 p.m. One of the 10 best Japanese films of all time, Keisuke Kinoshita's 'Twenty-Four Eyes' follows a school teacher and her first grade students in a small town on Japan's Inland Sea from 1928 to 1948. The girls work or get married and the boys go to war. This film is a vivid portrayal of pre World War II Japan, the loss of innocence, and the huge personal toll war takes. (1954, 156 minutes, in Japanese with English subtitles). 6929 Franklin Blvd. 421-1017.

Bi-Polar Anonymous

April 12: Free 12-step program/support group, for people who have Bi-Polar and those who love them. Meets every Friday, 7-8:30 p.m. 4300 Auburn Blvd., Room 106. (916) 889-5786.

Artz for Alzheimer's tour at The California Automobile Museum

April 12: A tour of The California Automobile Museum will start at 10:30 a.m. for people with Alzheimer's. Focusing on art allows them to experience something meaningful and beautiful, without challenging areas of the brain that have been affected by the disease. ARTZ Museum Tours are designed for people with dementia and their care partners, and strive to enrich the lives of all involved. Events are free. Registration is required by contacting Tiffany Paige at 916-792-3281 or paige@artzalz.org. The California Automobile Museum is located at 2200 Front St.

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Come enjoy Sacramento County creeks by attending the week's activities or cleaning a creek. Celebration held at Carmichael Park, April 13 from noon to 2 p.m. Fun for all ages. www.creekweek.net, 454-4544.

Freeport Renovation on the Move Rummage Sale to benefit Belle Cooledge Skatepark

April 13: Freeport Renovation on the Move Rummage Sale will be held at the Belle Cooledge Community Center from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. 5699 South Land Park Dr. Tables may be rented for \$15; setup no earlier than 6:30 a.m., 392-0101; 813-0965.

The Recycling & Solid Waste Division host Free Composting Seminar

April 13: Backyard composting allows you to recycle your yard clippings and fruit and vegetable scraps into a valuable soil amendment right in your own yard. Attendees are eligible for a drawing for a free compost bin. At the seminar you will learn how composting works, what materials you should and should not compost, getting the right balance of food, air and moisture, maintaining your compost pile, Vermicomposting (composting with worms), and more. Seminar goes from 8 to 10 a.m. and will be held at Camellia Park Community Garden, 6650 Cougar Dr.

St. John's Art Festival 2013

April 13-28: Show opening and champagne reception on Saturday, April 13 from 5 to 9 p.m. with an awards ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Show will be open Sundays, April 14, 21, 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays, April 17-April 26 from 4 to 8 p.m., Saturdays April 20 and 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Mondays, April 15 and 22.

Spring downtown benefit plant sale

April 13: A huge selection of unusual and hard to find perennials for the garden or containers, many not available locally elsewhere, benefiting the kids camp program of Sunburst Projects. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the covered garage on 18th street behind the store at 18th and J. 617-7516, gardennotes@sbcglobal.net

2nd Annual Fundraising Walk for Save Ourselves

April 13: It's not your ordinary walk for a cancer cause. When breast cancer survivors, families, friends and supporters take a leisurely walk along the American River, Saturday, April 13, it will be to support Save Ourselves Breast Cancer Organization (SOS) -- the all-local breast cancer organization run for survivors by survivors. The 4.2 mile walk starts at 9 a.m. at American River Parkway, Watt Avenue Access Park. Cost is \$35 through April 12 and it's \$40 on April 13. All registrants will receive either a SOS tote bag, SOS t-shirt or a UV trail hat, plus 1 free raffle ticket on the day of the Walk. An on-site raffle with fabulous prizes and live music will also be happening!

Green Valley Theatre benefit show of 'Greater Tuna' at Community Grange

April 13: Welcome to the slightly skewed world of Greater Tuna, Texas' third smallest town... where the Lions club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. The hilarious comedy play is a two man performance where the actors portray nearly every one of Tuna's residents in a one-stop, irreverent romp through classic Americana. It's a special showing benefiting the Sacramento Community Grange at 8 p.m. The Grange Performing Arts Center is located at 3823 V Street, Sacramento. Tickets \$15. For tickets: www.greenvalleytheatre.com or 736-2664, or purchase at the door.

Sutter Children's Center Wellness Festival

April 13: Enjoy fun games, gardening and nutrition workshops, height and weight checks and more at this free celebration of active and healthy living from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sutter's medical personnel will also be on hand to answer questions and provide information on childhood diseases and epidemics like diabetes, obesity and more. In addition to the fun learning activities, families can also see a live theater performance in the Children's Theater (additional cost). Admission to this program is free thanks to a generous grant from Sutter Children's Center, Sacramento, and ScholarShare College Savings Plan. www.fairytaletown.org or 808-7462. 3901 Land Park Dr.

Boulevard Brush Up at Carmichael Park

April 14: Boulevard Brush Up starts at 9 a.m. at Carmichael Park (by the tennis courts) for our thrice-yearly Boulevard Brush Up. Your help is needed to pick

up trash, documents problems for Code Enforcement and remove weeds. Breakfast will be provided. Be sure to wear a hat and bring a pair of gloves. This event is sponsored by the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce, County of Sacramento and Carmichael Creek & Carmichael Colony Neighborhood Associations. For more information, contact the Chamber at 481-1002.

Kiwanis Club of East Sacramento-Midtown meeting

April 14: Visitors welcome, weekly breakfast meeting on first, second and third Fridays at 7 a.m. and dinner meeting on fourth Thursday at 6 p.m. Topical weekly speakers and 'first meal for visitors on us'. Meet at The Kiwanis Family House, (at UCD Med Ctr/ 50th St & Broadway) 2875 50th Street Sacramento, CA 95817. www.east-sacmidtownkiwanis.com, 761-0984, volunteers always welcome!

Spring tree tour at Capitol Park

April 14: Celebrate spring and explore the City of Trees on a guided tree tour with the Sacramento Tree Foundation. Tour starts at 11 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m. Rain or shine. Meet at the North steps of the Capitol on L St. Tour is free, but to ensure that you're included, RSVP to www.sactree.com/events


Sacramento Banjo Band presents Banjo-Rama 2013

April 11-14: The party will be at Clarion Inn at Arden Village, Sacramento (formerly the Red Lion), 1401 Arden Way. Tyler Jackson, Johnny Baier, Charlie Tagawa, Linda Lehmann, Bill Lowrey, Igor Glenn (Jazz Cowboys), Dick Martin and local favorites Bill Dendle and Eddie Erickson with Shelley Burns will entertain with their banjo styling's and vocals. Show will be held in the lounge Friday and Saturday nights from 7-9:30 p.m. Lounge performances only (Friday and Saturday night): \$10 per night at

the door. 1-day registration \$20 (includes lounge performances plus one Banjo-Rama special drink ticket; 4-day registration is \$39 (includes the lounge performance plus one Banjo-Rama special drink ticket. Ticket purchase, contact: Bonnie Harris at bans@surewest.net or 412-3020. Don't forget your banjo. There will be jamming throughout the weekend and after the show.

(Fair Oaks) Boulevard Brush Up

April 14: Starting at 9 a.m. at Carmichael Park by the tennis courts, pick up trash, document problems for Code Enforcement, and remove weeds. Refreshments will be provided. Remember to wear a hat and bring a pair of gloves. Purpose is to draw the community's attention to Fairs Oaks Boulevard, begin the process of revitalization and make the Boulevard a showcase for the community. Area: Fair Oaks Boulevard from Oak to California.



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