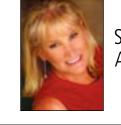
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# Carmichael holiday arts and craft show now taking entries

The entry period is open for the Sacramento Show to be held Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. This year the show will be a one-day event aged 20-35. It covers fiscal years 2015-2017. in December. Sacramento Fine Arts Center will work to bring its members and the public to this fun event and late-in-the-year shopping opportu-nity. The arts and craft show will be held in conjunction with the San Juan Unified K-12 art exhibit. There will be food, refreshments, and live and diligently to prepare, edit and submit the music in the evening. The gift shop will be open all. Entry forms are available at www.sacfinearts. org. Click "Call to Artists." The show chair is Peggy Colombo, and can be reached via email at, peggycolombo1@gmail.com.

## SFAC may get a grant! From Richard Turner, president of SFAC:

We applied for a grant through the competition sponsored by the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission. The competition was not limited to art organizations, but included We placed just behind Crocker and La Raza!

"Final decisions will be made later this year. Fine Arts Center Annual Holiday Arts and Craft The grant requests matching funds to establish a club, patterned after NCA but serving members Awards will be announced in January 2015.

"Thanks go to Larry Klink, SFAC 1st Vice President, who headed the effort. And to the grant committee members: Susan Landi, Marie Dixon, Pam Rhodes. These folks worked hard grant application, dozens of pages with exhibits.

"Elsewhere in this newsletter are the upcoming events at SFAC in the fall. It's an exciting time! We are an active art organization, serving our community through thousands of volunteer hours.

Thanks to our staff, David Peterson and Sharon Drysdale, who keep the ship afloat and cruising."

In other news, at the "Race for the Arts" at William Land Park on Aug. 23, Richard Turner won third place in the 75-80 years old category for all types of non-profits in the Sacramento area. the 5-kilometer race. Richard was running with sponsorship for Sacramento Fine Arts Center!



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**By MONICA STARK** editor@valcomnews.com

The Healing Arts Festival, one of Sacramento's longest running metaphysical expos, is returning to Sacramento on Sunday, Nov. 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hilton Sacramento Arden West location.

terested in holistic or metaphysical information, spiritual guidance, new age products and free information/lectures, the festival is free-ofcharge to attendees. In Sacramento for more

than 17 years now, The Healing Arts Festival was started by Bobbi Branson at the Sacramento Inn.

Sharon Sampsel, the current owner of the Healing Arts Festival, discussed with the Arden-Carmichael News some details about it and her interest in the alternative lifestyle as a renown psychic:"(The festival has) been featured on Good Day Sacramento several times and (we) have found that our attendees are everyone from the very voung to the old hippies that love this type of lifestyle. Many times, whole families come in together just to see their favorite psychic and let their children play with the pretty rocks. We are a fun place to hang out at on a Sunday. "As a metaphysical festival,

our goal is to provide 'a celebration of life bringing you in touch with new thoughts, new energy, new solutions by bringing together the experts in holistic alternatives. And. my personal goal is to provide the Best of the Best of Everything Metaphysical' for those wishing to explore their spiritual paths. In short, I bring the healers, psychics, artists, crystal workers, speakers, etc. under one roof for everyone who is seeking.'

show and all of the others is that I am not seeking to earn a living off the festival. I bought the Healing Arts Festival two years ago because of all of the problems and abuses that were going on in Northern California's metaphysical community. I wanted to provide a place for good alternative practitioners and readers could do good work with respect and integrity. We are an unregulated industry. Therefore, we are always

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# Sacramento's Healing Arts Festival to return to Arden area

"The difference between my

unethical people and practices. One of the biggest problems good psychics and other practitioners have is finding a good place to do their work. I wanted to provide that good place those who seek us out."

Geared toward anyone in- anyone to come in and look around at the festival, she does ask for donations to whatever charity she is sponsoring at the current show. Last February, it was for the SPCA. This time they are fundraising for the Sacramento Food Bank. Additionally, she is working on a way for visitors to buy a turkey coupon from a local grocery store at the festival, but as of press time, she is "still working out the kinks." But, she is accepting non perishable food and cash for the food bank and will be giving those who make a donation a \$5 coupon to be used with the practitioner of their choice.

In addition to this being a free event and fundraiser, Sampsel said HAF always gives a vendor table away to some organization in the Sacramento community. "I have sponsored HPI (the paranormal investigative group that and 60s. Interesting enough, works for free) and The Yoga Seed Collective (a non profit yoga studio that has been featured in this publication before). Additionally, this year the festival will be sponsoring the Ananda Church of Self Realization."

A professional psychic with more than 25 years of experi- complaining about the ghost

vulnerable to questionable and ence, Sampsel travels all over showing up and how much unethical people and practic- the United States giving read- they don't like it." ings and lectures at the biggest expos in the country. "This is how I make my living, so I must be pretty good at it," she jokes.

Sampsel also works from for the practitioners as well as home, many times taking phone calls from the East Coast While Sampsel doesn't charge at 6 a.m. With two-award winning radio shows and several 5-star ratings, she tells folks, "all this means is that I'm pretty good at it. I am known for my quick wit, and fast reading style. I don't pull any punches. It is often said that if you want to know the truth, just ask Sharon. I am considered one of California's top psychics and have appeared many times on television, radio and in print."

On a personal note, she said she said she never wanted to be a professional psychic. In fact, most of the time, she said she can't believe she does this kind of work. "My friends tell me that I am their alternative lifestyle friend because outside of being a psychic, we are all just so normal.

Śampsel hails from a fundamentalist Christian home in Atlanta, a typical upbringing in the Bible Belt of the 1950s though Sampsel's family is supportive of her lifestyle. "They just love and accept me. I think this is why I can do what I do. Everyone in my family is psychic and sees things. It is funny at our family get-togethers when after a few beers my brothers start



Sampsel became involved with psychics and new-age interests when she was going through a divorce. Wanting to learn how to meditate, Sampsel said she doesn't know who was more surprised – herself or her teacher that first day, but as soon as she got grounded and dialedin, everything opened up and her life changed completely.

Describing her style, Sampsel said:"I personally think it is funny that God made me psychic and asked me to do this work because I am so bluntly honest that my readings aren't like your typical love and light readings. I don't look for your angels unless you ask me to. I look at things like your job, is your mate cheating on you, or why is your neighbor stealing your newspaper. I give readings, answering the questions you want answered and I do it in a straight

forward way that you can understand. I read people from all of the world. Many of them just want advise on their next business step. One very successful venture capitalist out of San Francisco keeps asking me if I am reading his mind, or did my wife tell you that? It is very cute. But he keeps calling me back."

# If you go:

What: Healing Arts Festival When: Sunday, Nov. 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost: Free entry, free parking. Free speakers all day. With every donation to the Food Bank, get a \$5 off coupon toward your favorite practitioner Location: Hilton Sacramento Arden West, 200 Harvard St. (Arden West and Business 80)



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**By LANCE ARMSTRONG** l ánce@valcomnews.com

Editor's Note: This is the seventh article in a series about the history of broadcasting in the Sacramento area. This series was inspired by readers' positive said. "So, what he had me responses to previous articles do in the electronics class about local television history in this publication and several re- crystal radios and the bequests to feature histories of local radio stations.

Sacramento native Mar- and rewire microphones and tin Ashley, who was known stuff like that." to many radio listeners as the "Wonder Rabbit" dur- teenage years when Ashley ing his years as a disc jock- was involved in local theey, met with this publica- ater productions. tion last week to share some of his memories.

basic preliminary questions, Ashley, 67, was asked to discuss how he became interested in working in radio.

"Actually, I wasn't interested in radio," Ashley said. "I got interested in electronics. When I was about 10, 11 or 12, I started fooling with batteries and lights and putting lights on (his) bicycle. But then, of course, (his) parents wouldn't let (him) ride (his) bicycle after dark, even though I (had) a light and no other kids had lights. And then people would bring me things to look at to see if I could repair them. And oftentimes they would say, 'If you can't repair it, just throw it away.' So, I would tear it apart. So, I got interested in electronics."

And with that interest. Ashley became a member of Joseph Bonnheim Elementary School's audio-visual squad.

Ashley continued gaining experience in electronics during his years attending Peter Lassen Junior High School, which was located at 5022 58th St.

dent at Lassen, science teacher Carl Holtz gave him a special exception to study audio-visual in the seventh grade, despite the fact that seventh graders were not typically allowed to participate in that class.

After leaving Lassen, Ashley attended Hiram W. Johnson High School, where he met electronics teacher Eugene J. Houghton.

# Martin 'Wonder Rabbit' Ashley recalls his radio years, more

While Ashley was a stu-

Ashley recalled that Hough-ton recognized that he had an aptitude toward electronics.

"[Houghton noticed] that the electronics class was far too simple for me, because I was beyond that," Ashley was instead of working with ginning electronics stuff, he would have me fix the projectors for the sound system

It was also during his

Ashley said that it was not acting that drew his attention After responding to several to theater, but instead the sound system and lighting.

But Ashley added that he did end up doing a little acting on stage.

I did some acting, what we call walk-ons," Ashley said. "These were walk-on parts. I was also the voice of the president in one of the es (of) 'Li'l Abner.' But primarily, my interest was how the lights work and the dimand the microphones and his FCC third-class broadthings like that."

When Ashley was about 14 years old, he took an interest in the operation of ra- in radio station lobbies to dio stations.

As a result, he talked a erated on the job. friend's mother into driving



Martin "Wonder Rabbit" Ashley works behind a microphone at the Capitol Radio Studio.

Photo by Lance Armstron

1430 AM, to inquire if the the morning bulletin at Johnstation needed assistance with son High. their wiring.

Music Circus performanc- acquire work at KJAY, he ceed the senior ball at the Mesaid that the visit led to him visiting the Federal Communications Commission in mers and the sound systems San Francisco and acquiring cast license.

After obtaining his license, Ashley would sit study how disc jockeys op-

Ashley would eventualhim to the soon-to-be-on- ly imitate the typical voice of the-air radio station, KJAY a disc jockey while delivering

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And when he was a junior Although Ashley did not at that school in 1964, he emmorial Auditorium.

After graduating from Johnson in 1965, Ashley attended Sacramento City College and ran projectors on film days at Sacramento area library branches.

In about October 1965, Ashley went to KXOA at 800 Leisure Lane in search of his first radio job.

During that visit, Ashley learned that KXOA would

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# Broadcast:

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no longer simulcast on its FM station, and an FM staff would have to be developed.

Ashlev was eventually hired as KXÓA-FM's 9 p.m. to midnight shift disc jockey, and he would later work the 6 to 10 a.m. shift.

In August 1967, Ashley was drafted into the Army and sent to El Paso, Texas.

Later that year, after he completed his basic training, Ashley obtained a job at El Paso's first television station. KROD-TV Channel 4.

In recalling his busy schedule at that time, Ashley said, "I was in the Army from approximately 6 a.m. until approximately 6 p.m. I would then grab a bite to eat, go to the television station, work there until 1 o'clock in the morning and come back to the base."

Ashlev switched from KROD-TV to KROD 600 AM radio in 1968, and later that year, he left KROD to become a disc jockey for El Paso's then-number one radio station, KELP 920 AM.

Former KXOA disc jockey, Johnny Hyde, who was then working at KROY, called Ashley in July 1969 and asked him to return to Sacramento to work for KROY.

A month later, Ashley was out of the Army and employed as KROY's weekend and public service director.

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later, Ashley was working as cember of 1975, I went on syn-KROY's midnight to 6 [a.m.] shift disc jockey.

As for the golden question of how he became known as the "Wonder Rabbit," Ashlev explained that the name evolved from his own joke when he signed his name, 'Wonder Boy,' on a flip card on the control room door at KROY.

"Bob Sherwood (who was then working as KROY's program director) crossed out 'Boy' and put 'Rabbit," Ashley recalled. "So, I walk in the control room to drop off some stuff and (Sherwood) says, 'Oh, by the way, Wonder Rabbit is going to be on the air tomorrow night at 7 oclock. Well, 7 oclock comes and it was a Saturday night. I'll never forget it. All of a sudden, the phone is lighting up. And I'm on the air as Martin Ashley and they wanted to talk to Wonder Rabbit."

Ashley was transferred from the midnight to 6 a.m. shift to the noon to 3 p.m. shift in the early 1970s.

In recalling that time in KROY's history, Ashley said, "This was top 40, with mega numbers."

The next career move for Ashley came in March 1974, when he left KROY to work for KNDE, where he would remain for the following 10 months.

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Only about two months journey, Ashley said, "In Dedication. I got hooked up with a syndicating company out of Roseville called Concept Productions. They had two or three formats that they supplied to small radio stations throughout the country, and one of them was top 40, or by that time it was called CHR – contemporary hit radio. And so, I did the Wonder Rabbit Show, the morning shift for over 13 years."

In continuing to speak about his career in radio, Ashley said, "My career was also doing all these other things. I was chief engineer at KROY-AM, when it was FM and then it went AM and then it sold and it was KENZ, and then it was KSAC (FM). Then they sold in the early 1990s and KROY (FM) became KSEG, 'The Eagle.' And I was chief engineer at the time. And I had a recording studio in the same building. It just goes on and on and on. I worked for the Eagle. I worked for KROY three different times on air under three different owners. And air in 1989 or 1990, they had program called) 'The Wonder Rabbit Oldies' or something."

Ashley, who also has a lot in television, explained that he continues to work behind And in speaking about yet an- a microphone in a radio station environment.

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Martin Ashley left commercial radio in 2004 and presently works at the Capitol Radio Studio in the state Capitol

"In 2004, I transitioned to here (at the state Capitol) and finally left commercial radio behind," Ashley said. "Here is what we call the Capitol Radio Studio. It is a bipartisan studio for legislative purposes, primarily members of the legislature, senators, being Democrats or Republicans, and we also occasionally do airchecks for Assembly Republicans, because they have no facility. There are other facilities, but the last one, when I was on the not in the Capitol itself for radio. We do interviews where me on Sunday nights doing (a we call sound bites for radio stations. We have equipment that is effectively a radio studio, with microphones and of on-air camera experience consoles and CD players and electronic editors and stuff like that, where the members can come in. We can connect up to their local station in their

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district, be it Palmdale or Los Angeles or Arcadia, or wherever their district is (located). And they can be interviewed by their local host. We do public service announcements with members on West Nile virus and back to school safety and all kinds of stuff like that. Occasionally, a member will ask for us to record his speech in a hearing or on the floor itself. We do lots of things that are all legislative, nothing commercial here at all.

"We do everything that a radio station does, except for the fact that you can't pick it up on a car radio. Otherwise, I'm still doing what I did back in 1967." And in summarizing his many years in radio, Ashley

said, "I'm very proud of my entire career and I wouldn't have changed it for the world."

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founder of Sacramento Piano Conservato- p.m. and again on Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. ry, Steven Thompson, professor of music at American River College, will feature at American River College (ARC), con- Alexander Borodin's "In the Steppes of ductor, and the American River College Central Asia" and the Modest Mussorg-Symphony Orchestra present a concert of sky (Maurice Ravel version) of "Pictures all-Russian music with a Prokofiev piano solo by Plescia.

Recognized for her renditions of Hungarian and East European composers' music, Plescia often is invited to give concerts teachers, business executives, domestic enacross the nation. She appears in Los An-geles, Washington, D.C., Portland and San Francisco.

She also has been part of the Crocker Museum of Art Sunday Concert series.

A pianist since age 4, Plescia has a bachelors of arts degree in humanities as well as a second degree in piano performance.

Conducted by ARC music professor Steven Thompson, Plescia will play a striking interpretation of Prokofiev's famous First Concerto as part of their all-Russian program, proper title-Prokofiev Piano Concerto No. 1 in D-flat major, opus 10.

Tanya Plescia, local concert pianist and The concert, to be held Oct. 29 at 7:30 at an Exhibition".

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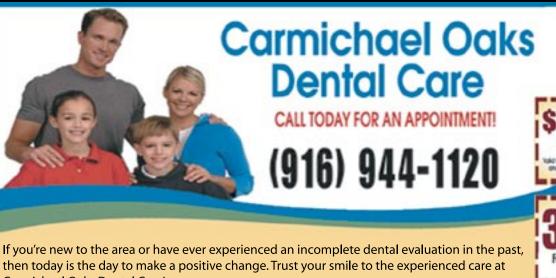
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# Fair-themed fundraiser at a local storage facility

Photos and story by MONICA STARK editor@valcomnews com

It appeared that the work of a fairy godmother was over at the Armor Mini Storage facility on Auburn Boulevard because for one night, a section of empty storage units were filled with actually helping to generate funds for the latest said. tried and true carnival games, transforming the program to get off the ground, Veterans Build space into a county-fair themed party (without any scary carnies).

High school and college age students picked eySmart USA. up guests from their parking spaces and shuttled them to the fair by way of golf carts, as others worked the barbecue, cooking up tri-tip and to mention slices of Papa Murphy's Pizza and shredded chicken sliders.

"The tri tip's got a little heat to it, not bad, but it just kind of warms up at the end. So you're like, ooh look at that," Don Hall explained as the meat was cooking on a warm Saturday evening in September.

Don and his wife, Marie, are the founders of BeMoneySmartUSA, a non-profit in Carmichael that offers free financial literacy train- if they were having a good time at the fundraiser, ing for youth and employment opportunities the following exchange ensued: through their farmers' markets. Those students who were found working the county fair were Your Own Micro Business Academy, a veterans' micro-franchise operation through BeMon-

With nearly 200 well-fed folks grazing on 25 pounds of tri-tip and 20 pounds of chicken, not fruit cups, folks hopefully had a good time, playing games and learning about the BeMoneySmart USA program for veterans.

Janessa Lucero, a second year student at Sierra College and Michael Murr-Conley, a student at George Washington Carver in Rancho Cordo-

va, were among the young volunteers, chauffeuring folks around to their cars by golf cart. Asked

"I love driving the golf cart," Janessa said.

"I love watching her drive the golf cart," Michael

Michael said he works for a variety of vendors and can be seen Saturdays at Sundays at Carmichael Park. "I've done sign dancing."

Meanwhile, Janessa said she works inside the BeMoneySmart office, organizing the farmers' markets for their Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday markets. "I know with BeMoneySmart USA, we're really involved with the Fair Oaks and the Carmichael chambers (of commerce). We're trying to get a lot of fundraisers going, especially for us, this





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Reilly Nycum, a St. Francis High School student, with the help of BeMoneySmart USA sells fruits and vegetables for Rodriguez Ranch at various farmers' markets. Describing how she got set up with the Rodriguez Ranch, Nycum said: "I just got put on with them one day. get put with a vendor and I've been working

Similarly, Chris Navarro, a kinesiology stua summer job for BeMoneySmart USA. "They helped me get a job with another booth there - Cultured Kitchen. It's vegan and all natural food...I love to cook. I was very lucky to help Don cook. Tonight, I am Don's sous chef so tive he wanted to share: "I'm the one who is the sous chef. He's the one doing all the work."

Taking a few minutes to discuss the veterans' program with this publication, Don said: "We know that veterans have a hard time transitioning from the military life into civilian life. At Sierra College, there are 800 veterans us-ing the GI Bill. These are all guys and gals trying to improve their lives, but one of the difficulties in a GI Bill is it pays for your college They send out a schedule every week and you education, but not necessarily everything else

dent at American River College, said he met ness where they can step into and everything has Don and Marie a few years ago while working been done for them. It has the product – they can choose from one of five of our existing farmers' markets. They can go, 'I want to sell veggie chips. It's easy. It's healthy. I like it.'

"And, so when they step in, they don't just Car Wash. step into that product. All the marketing is done. We have a business coach that will be For more information, see www.bemoneysmartusa.org

Piping in, Don jokingly had a different perspec- behind them to help them out. They get an account. They get an attorney. They get a Be Money Smart, and everybody around them to help them with the different aspects of their life, so their business can stay focused and get done. So it's pre-done."

The veteran's program is expected to roll out Jan. 20 with five veterans - that is, five businesses - that will participate in a 12-month educational program.

Explaining how the educational aspect of the program will proceed, Marie said, "Between now you need in your life. So, these guys run a little short on money. "So, we created a micro-franchise, a micro-busi-

Fundraiser sponsors included: Armor Mini Storage, Wagner Plumbing, the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce, Assemblyman Ken Cooley, Carmichael Rotary, Edward Jones financial advisor Carroll Webb, and Bauer's



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# **#iCANHELP program targets cyberbullies**

Kim Karr stood in front of a mass of Arcade Middle School students and asked them to do something a little scary: come up to the front of the room and talk about something personal.

One girl approached the microphone and spoke to another student. "You are the best friend I could ever wish for."

A boy came up next, and turned toward his teacher. "I'm sorry for what I did in class the day before."

The #iCANHELP program uses school assemblies, social media campaigns and student leadership trainings to educate children on the negative impact of cyberbullying, and their power to fight it.

"It's not that hard to give someone a compli-ment," said Karr, #iCANHELP's co-founder and a teacher in Contra Costa County.

"We need to make sure we never make a permanent decision with temporary emotions. Think before you post or send a text," she told the students.

Later, she asked the students to crumple up one piece of paper for every time they'd been insulted or called names. Crinkling sounds followed.

Kids holding up crumpled balls of paper at iCANHELP assembly Karr then told students to open up the paper balls if they had ever received a compliment. Most — not all — of the students were able to flatten out their paper.

Those who did not received a shower of hugs and compliments from their peers until every paper was flat.

<sup>\*</sup>This world is messed up. We need to do something about it. Here is a perfect example of what you can do," Karr said." You can start helping people out."

Karr travels throughout California spreading that message, and she believes the fight against bullying is not a losing battle. In fact, bullying may even be the underdog.

"We need to have that confidence. We need to speak up and say something," she said.

For information on #iCANHELP, visit their official website.





has received even greater attention as the ways to bully continue to expand. Multiple offices in San Juan Unified including Safe Schools work together and support school communities to combat bullying at its source.

# If you see it, report it.

We need your help to stop bullying and harassment. Tell a teacher or the principal at your school. You can also send a text message to (916) 243-5552, call (916) 979-8477 or report it online.

# **Bullying Prevention** Resources

San Juan Unified offers bullying prevention resources for educators, parents and students including a lending library.

# What is Bullying?

San Juan Unified follows the Olweus definition: Bullying is when someone repeatedly and on purpose says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending himself or herself.

Bullying has four components: A specific type of ag-gression, verbal, physical and psychological. It is a behavior that is intended to harm or disturb and is carried out repeatedly and over time. An imbalance of power

between the bully and victim which can be physical or psychological.

# What is Cyberbullying? Cyberbullying is the use

of modern communication technologies, such as but not limited to e-mail. instant messaging, chatrooms, web sites, social media/networks, text messaging used to intentionally embarrass, humiliate, threaten or intimidate an individual or group in an attempt to gain power and control.

Examples of acts used to **bully:** Bullying can take two forms. Direct acts are usually face-to-face and the

# **Bullying prevention tips**

The prevention of bullying

## person being bullied usual- Physical acts, hazing, ly knows who is doing the threats, intimidation, verbullying. Indirect acts are bal abuse, and taunting. behind someone's back and Examples of indirect acts sneaky, the person being of bullying include: Makbullied may not know who ing faces, obscene gesand Prevention Programs is doing the bullying.

Examples of direct acts of bullying include: Source: www.sanjuan.edu

tures, exclusion, rumors and cyberbullying.

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# **Rio Americano moves forward after shooting threat**

The sheriff's department

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indicating the date of the being posted on any sites out the day, additional disextra stress.

Ginter stated released the threat and, according website regarding ongoing or not. We continue to sup-Threat Assessment Center, ing started with students ar- assistance so those responday and Wednesday, along think we are on a lockdown, ment back to normal." with school officials, to for but that is not the case. We activity on campus, and the (Wednesday) as we did on for the school: school community is asked Monday and Tuesday with activity can be reported to tinue this pattern through block week.

dispatch at 874-5115 and The following statement any life-threatening situa- was posted on Tuesday:

tion should be immediate- "I want to update all of you as to where we are at Principal Brian T. Gint- with the threat incident on school, but Safe Schools the threat assessment and dence that it was a credi- Highly trained and gual- day, Oct. 17. ble threat. "With that be- ified officers in this area

Rio Americano and San it seriously and have extra threat, assess the situation, tra presence of officers on Juan Unified officials con- police presence on campus do background checks, and tacted the Sacramento all this week. Police pres- searches if necessary. Af- made Friday, Oct. 17. County Sheriff's Depart- ence does not mean some- ter their process is done a ment on Friday after graf- thing bad has happened, it determination is made and missal all periods meet, acted upon.

campus bathroom indicat- Ginter stated that part "For us, whether the offiing there would be a shoot- of the concern school offi- cers determine the threat is ing on campus Wednes- cials have is all of the talk credible or not, we move for- day, Oct. 17. day, Oct. 22, according to on social media that is cre- ward as if it were and take a statement from the sher- ating extra concern from precautions necessary to en- periods meet. Extra presiff's department. Later, an parents and students. He sure student and staff safeadditional note was discov- asked parents and the com- ty. In this case we have extra ered in the same location munity to monitor what is officers on campus throughthreatened shooting had they might have control trict staff on campus and been changed to Tuesday, over so this does not cause our adults are making themselves more visible.

"Threats of this nature began an investigation into a statement on the school are crimes whether credible to standard procedure for details about how the school port the investigation being threats of this nature, noti- will be handling the situ- conducted by Sacramento fied the Regional Terrorism ation. "Wednesday morn- County Sheriffs with FBI run by the Department of riving to school and getting sible can be held account-Homeland Security. As a to class in a timely fashion. able for disrupting the result, the FBI is assisting Absences are higher than school environment. We normal, but that was ex- will continue to take this Two Safe Schools officers pected today. We have had incident seriously and work were on campus on Tues- some calls from parents that to get our school environ-

The following was postand report any suspicious are moving through today ed as the weekly bulletin

Week at a Glance: Week to do the same. Suspicious officers present. We will con- of October 20, 2014 is a

Monday: Regular day all periods meet. Extra presence of officers on campus because of threat made Friday, Oct. 17.

Tuesday: Block day perier said a threat was made campus. A question came ods 1, 3, 5 meet. Extend-Friday toward the high to me this morning about ed leadership meeting in the office conference room had done a threat assess- what goes into making a at 3 p.m. Extra presence ment on this situation determination that a threat of officers on campus beand felt there is no evi- is credible or not credible. cause of threat made Fri-

Wednesday: Block day

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Brian Ginter, principal at R

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# Easy Tai Chi at ACC

Learn 24-form Yang Style Tai Chi at a slower pace. Experience the gentle flow and treat your whole body to a gentle and relaxing workout. \$16 per month or \$5 Drop-in class. For schedule call 393-9026, ext 330, www.accsv.org. ACC is located at 7375 Park City Dr.

# Senior Fitness at St. Anthony's

Senior Fitness meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:45 a.m. at St. Anthony's Memorial Hall at 660 Florin Road, Cost is \$2 per class. Do not have to belong to the church. Class incorporates dyna bands, small hand weights, balls, and rubber bands plus cardio. Chair and standing exercises for flexibility, strength and balance accompanied by music of "the good ol' days." Participants do not have to get down on the floor! Paula has a Masters in Exercise Physiology and has been in the fitness business over 25 years. Equipment supplied if needed.

#### Senior Yoga at ACC This class is designed to maintain joint mobility, muscle strength and flexibility. A yoga mat is required. \$25 per month or \$6 drop in class. For schedule call 393-9026, ext. 330, www.accsv.org

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## **Free Young Adult Bereavement** Counseling:

The UC Davis Hospice Program and UC Davis Children's Hospital Bereavement Program will offer an eight-week Young Adult Bereavement Art Group for individu als 17 to 24 who are coping with the recent loss of a loved one. The sessions will be held on eight consecutive Monday evenings from Sept. 29 through Nov. 17. Each session will e held from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the UC Davis Home Care Services Building, 3630 Business Dr., Suite F.

## Stretch, Strengthen, and Thrive!

This class is designed for the needs and abilities of active older adults, who are interest ed in gaining or maintaining mobility. The class consists of a mix of full body stretch es, body weight exercises, strength training, and active stretching. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Mon days and Wednesdays. \$5 per class if prepaid. Pre-registration and pre-payment is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome at a rate of \$6 per class. Held at ACC Senior Services Center, 7375 Park City Dr., Sacramento 393-9026 x330, www.accsv.org.

### Community Skill Exchange (time bank) monthly potluck/meeting

On the second Thursday of the month. monthly meetings will be held at the Sac ramento Food Bank and Family Services. Information presentation and questions will be discussed between 5:30 and 6 p.m. Interested new friends encouraged to attend. Potluck and sharing is 6:15-7:30 p.m Members and past friends welcome. Please

bring a dish to share and be prepared to record ingredients before serving. 3333 3rd Ave., Oak Park. Community Room (Big Blue Door on 34th Street)

### Sacramento Zoo needs wheelchairs

The Sacramento Zoo is looking for a few "gently used" wheelchairs, 808-5888. Your wheelchair can be a tax deductible donation, and four zoo tickets will be offered as a thank you.

# Support group for alienated

grandparents Meeting is the last Friday of each month at 2717 Cottage Way, suite 4. Meeting is at noon. 761-9121.

## Tai Chi at Hart Senior Center

Focuses on low impact form of ancient Chinese exercise, combining slow movements with relaxation. Mondays, 10:30 –11:30 a.m. at the Ethel MacLeod Hart Senior Center, 915 27 St. Try it once for free! Stor by the Hart Senior Center front desk or contact 808-5462. Cost: \$23 for five classes

### Zumba for Seniors at Hart Senior Center

Zumba for Seniors incorporates physical exercise and dance steps to the rhythms of Cumbia, Merengue, Mambo, Salsa, Samba, and much more. Tuesdays 9:30-10:30am and Fridays 3 to 4 p.m. at the Ethel MacLeod Hart Senior Center, 915 27 St. Sacramento (27th and J streets). Try it once for free! For more information or to regist stop by the Hart Senior Center front desk or contact 808-5462. Cost: \$20 for five classes; \$40 for 10 classes

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#### Mahogany Urban Poetry Series - Queen Sheba - poetry readings Each Wednesday from 8-11 p.m. at Queen Sheba in Sacramento, local talent makes it way to the restaurant for weekly open-mic events. \$3-\$5. 1704 Broadway

## **Youth Connections Unlimited**

announces fundraising campaign Did you know that one Sacramento organization can reduce recidivism for crimes committed by youths by up to 70 percent Youth Connections Unlimited has been

providing mentoring and other services to incarcerated and probationary youth for over ten years that gives youth tools for star ing outside the juvenile justice system. YCU works with the Sacramento County Proba tion Department with a focus on re-entry mentoring and preventative programming with a commitment to the principles of Re storative Justice. The support youth get from YCU and its volunteers gives hope to Sacramento County youth, make communities safer and save taxpayers money. For more information, call David Taft at 835-1147 or visit http://www.sacvcu.com

#### **Brain Gymnasium**

Exercise your mind and have some fun at this on-going Brain Gymnasium class Inviting all seniors to Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Freeport Boulevard, 9:20 a.m. Thursdays. \$6 per class. Call 441-1015 for more information.

### Women with Good Spirits monthly meeting

Each second Tuesday of the month at Rev olution Wines at 6:30 p.m., Women With Good Spirits invites a community non-prof it to present on its mission work. The presenter will start their presentation prompt ly at 7:15 p.m. and will last 15-20 minutes with an open question and answer forum after. RSVP is appreciated as well as a \$5+ do nation per person that will go directly to the non-profit presenting that month. 2831 S St Visit www.womenwithgoodspirits.com o find the group on Facebook.

#### Your social security questions answered at Hart Senior Center

Meet with a Social Security Administration representative every third Thursday of each month at the Hart Senior Center and learn general information about Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (S.S.I) as well as retirement, disability, and survivors benefits. Make an appointment at the Hart Senior Center, 915 27th Street ( ] and 27th streets) or call 808-5462, Cost: Free.

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### The Community Housing and Services Coalition monthly meetings

Originally created by the Sacramento Community Services Planning Council, the Community Housing Coalition (CHC) was created as a vehide to provide information and educate community leaders and decision makers regarding housing for low income, disabled and older adults. CHSC monthly meetings are free and open to the public; they are held from 9:30 to 11 a.m. am on the last Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Sacramento Sheriff's South Area Office Community Room at 7000 65th Street, Sacramento (the Sacramento County Voters Registrar Building). At each meeting a guest speaker is invited to attend and give a 30-minute presentation with 10 minutes for O&A. Speakers are selected for their expertise and knowledge in their respective fields, and agencies/organizations. The speakers are encouraged to provide handouts, fliers, and other informational materials to the 15 to 30 attendees.

If you have any questions, please contact either: Alex Eng at 424-1374; email xeng916@ sbcglobal.net; or Cindy Gabriel at 916/732-6189; email cynthia.gabriel@smud.org.

#### Gentle Qi Gong

Learn powerful relaxation techniques reduce stress, reduce physical pain and emotional suffering, lower blood pressure, increase immune response and improve balance. Inviting all seniors to Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Freeport Boulevard, 3 to 4 p.m., Wednesdays. \$7 per class. Call 441-1015 for more information.

#### **Kiwanis Club of East Sacramento-**Midtown

Visitors Welcome, weekly breakfast meeting on Fridays at 7 a.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 St. www.eastsacmidtownkiwanis.com. Meeting/ Membership info: 761-0984, volunteers always welcome

# Food trucks at Carmichael Park

Every first Thursday of the month from 5 to 8 p.m. (July will be held on July 10) food trucks nit Carmichael Park, 5750 Grant Road.

# The Sacramento Capitolaires meeting

A men's Barbershop Harmony group, meets every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. at Pilgrim Hall (Sierra Arden United Church of Christ), 890 Morse Ave., Sacramento. Info: www.capitolaires.org, call 888-0877-9806, or email info@capitolaires.org

#### Soroptimist International of Sacramento South meetings

A service organization dedicated to insur the status of women and girls, the group meets at Aviator's Restaurant, 6151 Free port Blvd. for lunch and to discuss the day's topic. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 12:15 p.m.

## **O**CTOBER

### 'Gala at the Garden'

Oct. 24: Support programs of the Sacramento Children's Home by attending the "Gala at the Garden." The event features fine wines, hors d'oeuvres, and the first opportunity to shop the "Casa Arts Boutique." Tickets for the Friday Gala are available at www. casagardenrestaurant.org. OR, visit the "Boutique" on Saturday, Oct. 25 (there is no entry fee) with added opportunity to enjoy lunch at noon (reservations required) book your lunch reservation now by calling 452-2809 (full menu details on website). Events are at the Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Road, Sacramento. Enjoy a unique shopping experience with one-of-akind gifts created by talented artisans. Shop today for their tomorrow.

#### Walk4Literacy

Oct. 25: Walk begins at McClatchy Park and ends at The Sacramento Convention Center

Registration begins at 7 a.m., walk begins at 8 a.m. The 4-mile Walk4Literacy takes folks through Oak Park, Curtis Park, Land Park, downtown, and past the Capitol, to the Sacramento Convention Center, the venue for the first Capital City Book Festival. Book-inspired costumes are encouraged. All funds support children's literacy nonprofits in the greater Sacramento region. It's an event presented by Teach For America, the Sacramento Public Library Foundation, and 916Ink.

### Lego Mania at McClatchy (Family/All Ages)

Oct. 25: Like building with Legos? Join us for our monthly Lego free play afternoon, which starts at 2 p.m. Legos Duplos and Lego building books will be provided. Mc Clatchy Library is located at 2112 22nd St.

### The International Poet: Writing Across Continents (Adult)

Oct. 25: Read and write poetry in internation al styles! Poet and editor Frank Dixon Graham will show us poetry from around the world in this eight week series. Attend one session or all eight. This week's class – The Shakespearean Sonnet. We read some of Shakespeare's sonnets and discuss the structure of this form. We look into the period that shaped Shakespeare's world. Who was Shakespeare? We may attempt to write a sonnet. Session starts at 10:30 a.m. at the McKinley Library, 601 Alhambra Blvd.

#### One Book One Film Series at Pocket Library (Adult)

Oct. 25: Starts at 1 p.m., TBA. Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library is located at 7335 Gloria Dr.

### SF Squared Book Club at McKinley (Book Club)

Oct. 25: Starting at 1 p.m. at the McKinley Library, 601 Alhambra Blvd., join the book club for a discussion of the science fiction novel "The Martian" by Andy Weir.

## Elmhurst annual fall pancake breakfast

Oct. 25: Come meet your neighbors and enjoy some delicious pancakes! Be sure to wear your Halloween costume! Coloma Community Center Auditorium from 9:30 to 11a.m.

#### Sacramento Century (bike ride) Oct. 25: Organized by the Rotary

Club of Sacramento, this ride takes you through the scenic Delta region with a 20-mile, 30-mile, 60-mile and 100-mile option. The ride starts and ends at Capitol Mall with Century riders offered a ferry ride across the river. There are rest stops along the way with nutritious food and drink. Costs are as follows: \$65 for the century, \$55 for the 60-mile, \$45 for the 30-mile and \$25 for the 20-mile ride. Register at Sacramentocentury.com

#### Pumpkin Carving Dinner

Oct. 27: Evan's Kitchen will be hosting a special pumpkin carving dinner. Each guest receives one large pumpkin, one carving kit, one candle, and one din ner buffet (house salad, fresh fruit, mac and cheese, spachetti with meat or marinara sauce, sauteed vegetables, sour cream mashed potatoes, grilled tri-tip with burgundy mushroom sauce and house baked pumpkin pie. Fun starts at 5 p.m. 855 57th St. Sacramento, CA 95819.

# Preschool Storytime at

**McClatchy (Early Childhood (0-5))** Oct. 28: Books, songs, stories and fun, starting at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to "stay and play" time with our great toys. Looking forward to seeing you there! Mc-

Clatchy Library is located at 2112 22nd St. Follow-up Session for SAT/ACT Practice Test - Pocket Library (Teen) and Admissions. Session starts at 5 p.m. at Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library.

# Baby Storytime at Belle Cooledge

gerplays, simple stories, and songs designed

months old or until they are ready for toddler storytime. Each child must be accompa nied by a participating adult. Following the program, babies and their caregivers are invited to stay and play with activity learning toys. Fun starts at 12:30 p.m. at Belle Cooledge Li brary, 5600 South Land Park Dr.

#### Noni's Knit-Wits (Adult)

Oct. 28: Every Tuesday, enjoy a relaxing afernoon of knitting with fellow yarn enthu siasts. Anyone interested in knitting and crocheting, even beginners, are welcome to join in. This is not an instructional class, but assistance is available. Bring your own supplies and a project to work on. Knitting starts at 1:30 p.m. at the Belle Cooledge Li brary, 5600 South Land Park Dr.

Read to a Dog at Belle Cooledge

for this wonderful program, starting at  $6{:}30$ 

### 4th Annual Sacramento Community **Book Discussion Forum**

p.m. Belle Cooledge Library is located at

Oct. 28: There will be free admission, open to the public and enjoy refreshments. Share your viewpoints as we discuss: "Understanding the Gifted Traits of Autistic Persons" based on the book Thinking in Pictures: My Life with Autism by acclaimed researcher of animal behavior, professor, inventor and best-selling author, Temple Grandin. The special event is presented by the Sac Cultural Hub Media Foundation in partnership with UC Davis Office of Campus Community relations and the California Crossroads Forum. For questions about the Community Book Discussion, call (916) 234-3589 or Mother Rose at (916) 737-3333. taking place on Tues-10/28 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Underground Books, 2814 35th Street

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- EVENT LISTING SECTION -Advertise your craft fairs, holiday bazaars, school fundraises, church events, etc. in your Community Newspapers. Call (916) 429-9901 for rates.



Oct. 29: This is the follow up session to the practice SAT/ACT test (held on Saturday, Oct. 18). Students that took the practice test will receive their test results and get feedback on their scores. This free program is provided courtesy of Kaplan Test Prep

located at 7335 Gloria Dr.

# Library (Early Childhood (0-5)) Oct. 28: Join us for nursery rhymes, fin-

to encourage a range of early literacy skills. This program is for children up to about 18

Library (School Age (6-12)) Oct. 28: Read to a Dog is a fun and prover method for boosting a child's reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog and adult volunteer. Children may bring their own books to read to these furry friends, or they may borrow a book from the library's collection. Join us in our community room

5600 South Land Park Dr.

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in Oak Park - Sacramento. Mark your calendars and RSVP online at: http:// 2014sacbookdiscussion.eventbrite.com

## Sing Along with Mr. Cooper at Belle Cooledge Library (Family/All Ages)

Oct. 29: Starting at 4 p.m., join neighborhood favorite Mr. Cooper for 30 minutes of music time and freeze dancing for ages 3 to 7. Belle Cooledge Library is located at 5600

# Advanced ESL Conversation (Adult)

South Land Park Dr.

Oct. 29: Starting at 5 p.m., Toni Chapralis will lead a conversation group for advanced ESL learners. Toni Chapralis formerly taught at the Fremont School for Adults. Teens and adults are welcome to attend this session scheduled at the McClatchy Library, 2112 22nd St.

#### Science Storytime for Toddlers and Preschoolers at Belle Cooledge Library (Early Childhood (0-5)) Oct. 30: On the last Thursday of every

month, starting at 10 a.m., we trade story books for lab coats! All toddlers and pre

schoolers are invited to join the fun of art and science crafts emphasizing process based learning that will engage creativity and expand curiosity. Come make a mess with us, starting at 10 a.m., Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Dr.

### Voter forum to provide info on ballot measures

Oct. 30: Graduate students in the Public Policy and Administration program at Sacramento State will host a nonpartisan voter information forum from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30 at the University's Alumni Center. The forum is designed to promote greater understanding of the November ballot positions. The event is free and open o the public, and free pizza and beverages will be provided to the first 100 at tendees, Professor Mary Kirlin, chair of Sacramento State's Department of Pub lic Policy and Administration (PPA). will serve as panel moderator. Kirlin has held several local and state government positions, including serving as chief of staff for the state superintendent of public instruction. PPA graduate students will provide brief summaries of the ballot measures, followed by a panel discussion. Panelists will include:

+ Professor Edward Lascher, Department of Public Policy and Adminis stration. Sacra mento State. His specialty is the policy process, legislative politics and the impact of institutional structures on policy outcomes. He previously taught at Harvard University and vorked for two California state agencies.

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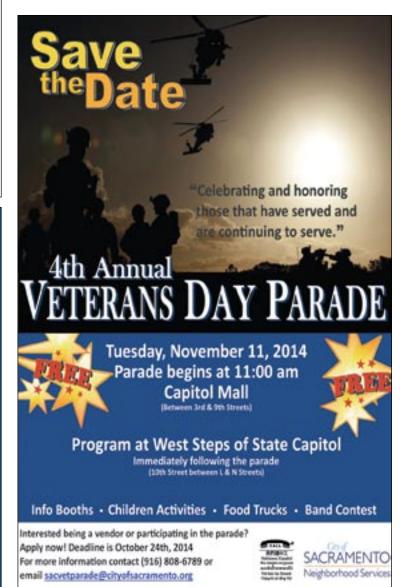
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# C A L E N D A R

•James P. Mayer, president and CEO, California Forward, a bipartisan public interest effort to bolster democracy and improve the performance of government in California. He previously served as the executive director of the Little Hoover Commission and the New California Network. He also worked as a senior writer for The Sacramento Bee. •Jennifer S. Pae, project manager of Voter Service and Education, League of Women

Voters. She studied at the University of California, San Diego, where she was the first Asian American woman to serve as student body president. She also has held numerous civic engagement positions, including project director for PowerPAC and chief of staff

for 18MillionRising.org. •Kevin Riggs, senior vice president, Randle Communications. He oversees the firm's strategic communications, media relations and business development initiatives. Previously, Riggs worked for Sacramento's NBC affiliate KCRA-TV, serving as an anchor and political reporter. Recognized as one of California's top political journalists, Riggs received many accolades during his 40-year career, including an Emmy.

# November

**River City Concert Band to** perform at Central Library Nov. 2: The Sacramento Public Library presents a USO-style concert with the River City Concert Band. Hear big band signature songs, a musical salute to Bob Hope and Robin Williams plus a patriotic singalong during the family-friendly concert. The River City Concert Band is made up of 50 volunteer musicians and is under the lirection of Tom Seaton. Show goes from 2 to 3 p.m. Central Library Galleria, 828 I St. Free and open to the public. For more information, call: 264-2920

### Elks Annual Holiday Arts and **Crafts Fair**

Nov. 8: The annual holiday arts and crafts fair at the Sacramento Elks Lodge with more than 70 crafters and artisans of handmade crafts and unique gifts, will be held from 9 to 3 at the Sacramento Elks Lodge No.6, 6446 Riverside Blvd. Free admission, free drawings to benefit local community scholarships and charities. Stay to indulge with friends and family at the Elks Bistro and Bakery for a fun day of shopping and getting acquaint ed with Sacramento area's special artists, authors and crafters. The Benevolent Protective Order of Elks volunteers are involved with many local children's programs and charities for disabled children Call Mary-Jo at 691-3059 for more information on this worthwhile and fun event.

# **Arden-Arcade** students learn safe routes to school

walks and streets.

school safely. School Day on Oct. 8.

side of the street.

"We just followed them."

traffic and stay left. they are there.

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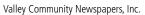
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Walk to School Walk west down Berkshire Way and you'll notice a smattering of orange paw prints painted onto side-

It's not a public art exhibit; it's a tool to help children walk to

Students at Thomas Edison Language Institute joined more than 4,000 other schools in celebrating International Walk to

Edison has partnered with WALKSacramento, a local nonprofit group, to help promote safe routes for more than 150 students who walk or bike to school each day.

"We have a lot of young kids walking over, without sidewalks and on busy streets. WALKSacramento has been fabulous as a partner," said Edison Principal Todd Lindeman.

Students gathered at Deterding Park bright and early to form a "walking school bus" led by Lindeman and Dr. Ronald Chap-man, director of the California Department of Public Health. "For me, it's about kids getting physical activity during the day whenever they can," Chapman said.

WALKSacramento painted about 100 tiger paw prints along common routes to school from nearby apartment complexes. They're designed to keep kids on safe routes and on the correct

"We knew where to go," said 9-year-old David Thompson.

The group weaved its way through nearby streets, pausing at intersections and taking cues from crossing guards. When they arrived at school, students received prizes including reflective zipper pulls and slap bracelets. "Everyone had a lot of fun today and got a lot of great exer-

cise," said WALKSacramento's Emily Gerhart.

Here are some tips from WALKS' acramento:

Stop at the curb. Look left, right and left again before crossing. Keep looking as you cross.

Walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, face

Cross at crosswalks or at intersections. Use signals when

Make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them. Watch for cars that are turning or backing up.











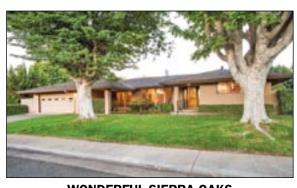






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