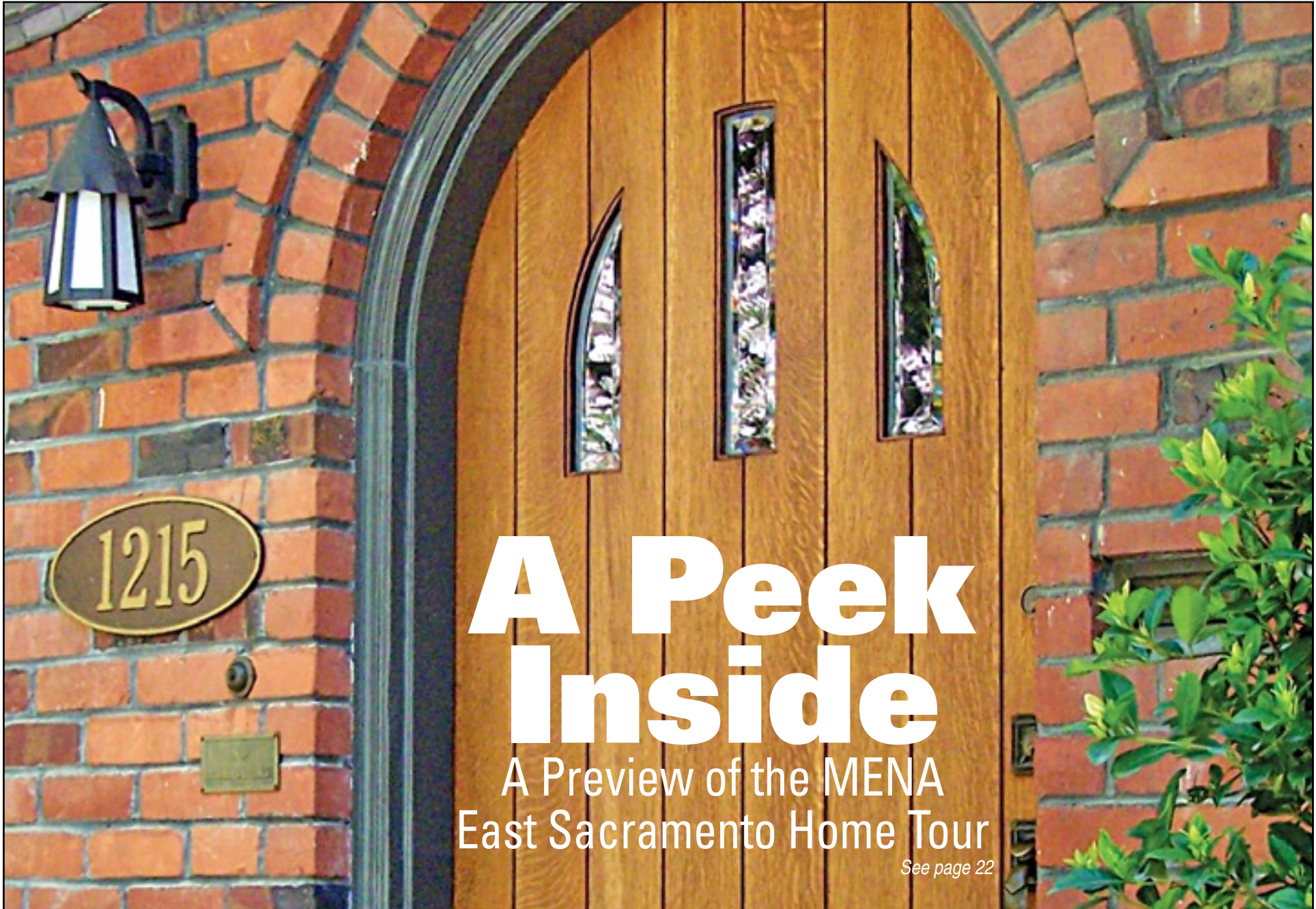




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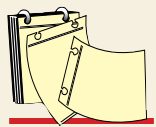


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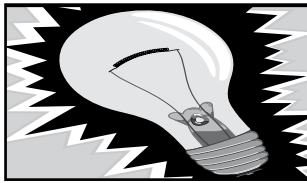
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By Lance Armstrong
THE EAST SACRAMENTO NEWS

When most people think of visiting just about any park in Sacramento's park system, a variety of activities come to mind, such as taking a leisure stroll along tree-shaded paths, enjoying a picnic in a scenic environment, walking a dog or perhaps taking a jog or playing Frisbee or a game of tennis

with a friend. But how many people actually say, "I think I'll go to the park to check out a book?"

But that is exactly what a visitor to Sacramento's McKinley Park can do six out of seven days per week, since the park's many features include the McKinley Library.

Although the existence of this neighborhood branch of the Sacramento Public Library is certain-

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ly not the best-kept secret in the capital city, for a library that has been operating in the same location since 1936, its existence is far from common knowledge to many Sacramento residents.

Ramesh Sawhney, who along with his wife, Nancy, is a dedicated patron of the McKinley Library, said that it is amazing that the library does not have better recognition.

“A lot of people don’t know about this library,” Sawhney said. “We have a friend who works over at the B Street Theatre and she had no idea that there’s a library here and she’s just on the other side of the freeway (from the library).”

But as a lifetime member of the Sacramento Public Library, Sawhney said he made sure to promote the library to his friend.

“She knows (about the library) now and she’s going to come in and get a library card and start using it,” said Sawhney, who walks to McKinley Library from his nearby home on a regular basis.

Connecting with a good book

Despite the many local residents who do not know about the existence of McKinley Library, which is located inside the Florence Turton Clunie Memorial building at 601 Alhambra Blvd., McKinley Library Branch Manager Shari Nichelini said that the branch is certainly not an inactive place.

To the contrary, Nichelini said that this mostly neighborhood-supported library branch experiences a steady flow of patrons throughout each week.

“We’re probably the busiest neighborhood library (in Sac-

ramento), based on the amount of books we check in and out,” Nichelini said. “We’re what you would call, as far as our circulation, a medium-sized library. Obviously, we don’t have the resources that a huge library has, but we’re very, very busy for our size.”

Nichelini, a more than 30-year resident of east Sacramento who began working at McKinley Library in the fall of 1995, said that she enjoys spending time in a library that is considered both historic and modern.

“People like the fact that it looks like an old fashioned library, because it is and at the same time, we’re fully integrated in modern technology,” Nichelini said.

Among the modern features of the library are its public-use, Internet-linked computers, wireless access capabilities for laptop computers and its connection to the Link Plus system.

Through Link Plus, patrons can order books online from not only the Sacramento Public Library’s collection, but also from public libraries throughout the state and Nevada, university libraries and even some church libraries.

The popularity of the free-of-charge Link Plus service at the McKinley Library is evident, based upon the fact that the library’s hold shelves generally contain more than 700 books.

But with 43,000 volumes, the McKinley Library offers its fair share of books in a wide variety of topics.

Among these books, the library carries a unique collection of California bungalow and arts and crafts books.

The collection, which was started by the Sacramento Bungalow Heritage Association, features

books having to do with architects who were involved in arts and crafts or books explaining how to maintain one’s arts and crafts house, California bungalow or the new bungalow-style furniture.

Continuing the topic of furniture, Nichelini said that the library maintains a historical element of its past through its original Stickley office furniture, which is still used by the library’s patrons.

“The city purchased (the furniture) in 1936,” Nichelini said. “It’s interesting, because at the time, (Stickley) actually used this library (to advertise its furniture) on their catalogue.”

A page in time

Many longtime McKinley Library patrons, including Lyle Derington of south Sacramento, appreciate the many historic features of this library.

“What I love about this library is that it never changes,” said Derington, a 1962 graduate of McClatchy High School. “It is the same as when I first came here (during high school). It seems like they haven’t changed anything, but the librarians are probably different.”

In addition to the historic feel of the library, another library patron, midtown Sacramento resident Ronna Griffen, said that she enjoys the fact that the library is located in McKinley Park.

“One of the things that I appreciate is that the park is right there,” Griffen said. “On my way into the library, I saw the most beautiful ducks and they flew right by me and shook their wings. It was really lovely.”

Another attraction of the library is its special, free programs for adults, teens, elementary and



Ramesh Sawhney shows off books that he ordered through the library’s online system. Sawhney said that although the books are from a variety of other library locations, by using the system, he was able to conveniently pick up all of the books at the McKinley Library.

middle school aged students, as well as storytelling times for toddlers and preschool students.

Chris Davis, McKinley Library youth services librarian, said that the library’s programs should continue to increase in popularity.

“The programs are well attended by kids and teens and a few adults, but (adult programs) haven’t caught on here, because I think so much else is going on,” Davis said. “I also think they’re going to catch on.”

But those who have attended McKinley Library programs generally have plenty of positive comments to share about these programs.

East Sacramento resident Steve Swindel said that he enjoys bringing his daughters, Susannah and Carolina, to the library’s special programs.

“There are just so many fun (programs) they’ve done here over the years and we enjoy coming here,” Swindel said. “I bring them whenever there’s an activity that seems interesting and fits our schedule.”

Beth Dubois, who resides in the Tahoe Park area of Sacramento, add-

ed that, as a mother, she appreciates that children have the convenience of going to McKinley Park’s nearby playground, just prior to attending special programs at the library.

Sutter Junior High School student, Jennifer Heidemann, added that the library’s special programs “give us teens something we can do after we get out of school.”

Adventure a page away

But whatever age one might be, a trip to McKinley Park could mean a visit to the library, where a variety of activities and programs to suit the interests of just about any visitor await.

The McKinley Library is open Tuesdays through Thursdays, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesdays, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Fridays, from 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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A plaque upon you, Honest Abe

By Susan Maxwell Skinner
THE EAST SACRAMENTO NEWS

After a three-year absence, a monument to the machinations of California's railroad barons has been restored.

At Haggin Oaks Golf Course, a plaque commemorates President Abraham Lincoln's decree that a flat stretch on Arcade Creek marked the start of the Sierra Nevada mountain range.

Don't blame Lincoln – who never set foot in California – for such a misconception. Honest Abe was persuaded by Charles Crocker, Leland Stanford, Collis Huntington and Mark Hopkins to give a bronze-cast blessing for what the Big Four excelled at: making much more money than they deserved.



E Clampus Vitus volunteer historians joined Rancho Del Paso Historical Society members at Arcade's Haggin Oaks Golf Course. The occasion rededicated a registered California Landmark to Transcontinental Railroad construction.

Cast in bronze and secured by railroad spikes, the plaque commemorates a puzzling proclamation by Abraham Lincoln that the base of the Sierra Nevadas was at Arcade Creek.

In 1864, the fabled four led California's surveyor general to a spot seven miles from Sacramento. They showed him charts recording a gradual rise from Arcade Creek lowlands to the Sierra's majestic peaks.

Seeking the greater government allowances for building railways through mountains, Crocker and Co. considered this a good place to start claiming alpine perks.

With evidence that that the Arcade Creek west bank was composed of flood silts and the east bank contained leached soil typical of the Sierras, Central Pacific Railroad's ambassador convinced Washing-

ton D.C. politicians to make a summit out of a sand bank. On this conviction, President Lincoln authorized a marker where the "mountains" began. It was placed where the railroad crossed Arcade Creek. Thus, increased government subsidies provided the impetus for the Transcontinental to traverse the Sierras, the Rockies and the entire continent.

In 1971, the site of Crocker and Co.'s spurious victory was deemed a California Historical Landmark. After vandals damaged the monument three years ago, the plaque was removed for safe-keeping. Only last month did E Clampus Vitus, a colorful volunteer group of historians, preside over its restoration.

Said E Clampus Vitus spokesman Gary Karl: "It's good to have our plaque back in place. As a monument, it's significant. We seldom consider Abraham Lincoln in connection with Sacramento. In fact, his decree had a big impact on our area."

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Finding peace at the Lotus Garden Meditation Center

By Benn Hodapp
THE EAST SACRAMENTO NEWS

If you have never been there, you might not even know it exists. But at the end of the secluded, narrow, tree-covered driveway sits a piece of Carmichael that proclaims itself to be “a peaceful place for self-discovery...”

The Lotus Garden Meditation Center, 7225 Lincoln Ave., is built around all things relaxing and caters to people who are stressed out, want to learn yoga or simply want a place to sit quietly and listen to a waterfall.

The center offers classes in yoga, Tai Chi and meditation. The yoga and Tai Chi are \$10 per class, but seminars are free of charge. The center holds free mantra meditation classes every Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Thursdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m., Saturdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The center also holds a free Kirtan and Bhagavad-Gita class every Friday from 7 to 8.30 p.m. and a Kirtan – group meditation with chanting and music – self-realization class and vegetarian feast every Sunday at 4.00 p.m.

As for why the meditation classes are free, meditation teacher Josh Harvey explained, “it is an age old practice to offer them (free of charge).”

Harvey volunteers his time in order to pass on what was taught to him 30 years ago when he started out with meditation. During, Sunday session,

he talked about how meditation is a way to “tame the wild stallion that is your mind.”

The meditation classes usually have anywhere from one-to-five people and on April 5 there were three. Zach and Tracy Ternes, a husband and wife from Fair Oaks who attended the seminar, discussed their reasons for coming to learn about meditation.

“I wanted to get a better understanding (of meditation) and apply it to yoga,” said Tracy, a part-time yoga instructor.

“I was just curious,” Zach said. “I have trouble sleeping because I can’t stop thinking about work,” making it clear that he wanted to use meditation to cure his insomnia.

Both Zach and Tracy said that they would give the lessons learned in the class a try to see if it can be applied to their lives.

Harvey’s sister-in-law, Linda Harvey, is the owner, proprietor and director of the center, and she provided a tour of the premises. The center has a designated yoga room set off to the side of the main building. Throughout the entire place, the flowing of water can be heard, making it a welcoming place for relaxation.

“We want people to come here and be able to just relax,” Linda said.

The two-acre plot of land includes an organic vegetable garden, a goat pen with two goats, a swimming pool where the center holds meditation luaus and vegetarian feasts, and a koi



A koi pond bubbles with calm activity at the Lotus Garden Meditation Center.

Photos by Benn Hodapp

pond surrounding a seating area for people who just want to sit somewhere peaceful.

“We have people who come here after an illness or surgery who just want to be somewhere peaceful during their rehabilitation,” Linda said. The seating area is open to the public for anyone who wants to read a book, listen to running water or gaze at the orange and white fish.

The main building is a ranch-style house that is half business, half home for Linda and her husband. Part of the house has been turned into an apartment where they live. She is quite proud of the fact that the house is made of old, recycled buildings and that the wood and

glass used in its construction are hundreds of years old.

The vegetarian feast and group meditation every Sunday at 4 p.m. regularly draws 50-to-60 people according to Josh. It, too, is free of charge.

As for why he thinks meditation is a helpful tool for people to use in their lives, Josh explained that pretty much everyone who comes in to one of the classes is there for a specific reason.

“People who are going through a life upheaval come in,” he said. “We are all kind of haunted by underlying fears.” Through meditation, it is his belief that these fears can be alleviated.

“Everybody is different,” Josh said. “Some respond more than others (to the meditation classes).” He explained that some people will go home and come up with 100 reasons not to meditate because of life’s distractions, but he urges people to try it out for two weeks before making a judgment on its merits.

For more information, call the center at 944-8577 or visit their Web site at www.lotusgardenmeditation.org.

A word to the wise: Make sure you have a free lane down that tree-covered driveway. It acts as both entrance and exit.

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Change on the horizon for city school district

Superintendent, school board president talk present issues

By Ryan Rose
THE EAST SACRAMENTO NEWS

It is a time for change – that’s the message from the Sacramento City Unified School District’s interim Superintendent Susan Miller and school board president Roy Grimes. And for a school district suffering under a tightened budget and low enrollment numbers, a change may be what the doctor ordered.

In a statement made by Miller during March to the public and school board, she said, “We are

working to keep cuts as far away from the classroom as possible by continuing to reduce central office duplication and seek efficiencies... Spending money doesn’t necessarily mean a better education, but not enough money can slow down our students’ progress and cause talented and dedicated employees to leave our district or leave education all together. That would be a tragedy not only for our district and pupils, but also for the future of our city, state, and nation.”

Yet, in spite of the doom-and-gloom economy and dropping enrollment numbers (which directly affect the school district’s funding), Miller and Grimes see an opportunity – especially with the soon-to-come economic stimulus funds from Washington D.C. – for a leaner, stronger school district to emerge from a budget crisis enveloping schools across the state.

“This is a time to think anew... It’s really wise to look at it from the ground up,” Miller said, commenting that the district is looking long term in developing a strategic plan, one that looks out three to five years. Miller said that while statistics say that enrollment will stabilize in a year, it will take until 2014 or 2015 until the district sees a total turnaround. As such, Miller said, it is time to consider hard choices, new partnerships and

innovative steps to increase efficiency and effectiveness.

Grimes agreed, saying that the school board is reviewing academic and operational practices.

“I think you have a board that has a broad vision,” he said, adding that the eight-member panel has four new members that were sworn-in last December. “I think there is a sense on the board to look at change... we are going to take the initiative.”

Hitting home at local schools

Some of the harder choices before the school board include possible school closures and campus consolidations. On the list for possible consolidation are Sutter Middle School, 3150 I St., with Kit Carson Middle School, 5301 N St.

Miller said the proposals delivered to the school board were not issued lightly; she said work began

in August, with the district reviewing facilities and programs, ultimately putting together a plan that would engage the community.

“Before we made any recommendations... we went out to the community. We have tried to incorporate as many of those things (said by the public) as possible,” she said. “I think the fact that we had 12 meetings before we brought any proposal to the board speaks volumes.”

“We’ve been listening a lot,” Grimes added.

Sutter Middle and Kit Carson are not the only schools currently under consideration for closure or consolidation; according to information released last month by the district, the list of schools up for possible closure includes Lisbon Elementary School, 7555 S. Land Park Dr.,

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Alice Birney Elementary, 6251 13th St., John Sloat Elementary, 7525 Candlewood Way, and Genesis Charter High School, 5601 47th Ave. Also under review for possible campus consolidation is Thomas Jefferson Elementary, 2635 Chestnut Hill Dr., with Hubert Bancroft Elementary, 2929 Belmar St.

The school district will continue the discussion on the consolidation and closure proposals at a school board meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, at the Serna Center, 5735 47th Ave. The board is scheduled to make a decision on the proposals at the April 16 meeting. Find board agendas online at www.scusd.edu/board_of_education/agendas/index.asp.

Thinking outside of the box

To build a larger community discussion on issues like those facing Sacramento schools now, Miller said the district was looking into 21st century options to expand the diffusion of information, including the implementation of Internet forums to compliment the already-available live video streams of board meetings.

It's that type of community involvement and unconventional thinking that Miller and Grimes said they hope to develop and encourage at the school district. In addition to new community outreach models, Grimes said the board was eager to build new partnerships with other agencies, government and otherwise, that could assist the school district in its goals.

According to Grimes, a letter was sent in December to Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson – the founder of the St. Hope non-profit organization who in 2003 transitioned Sacramento High School into a St. Hope Academy private charter school – pursuing a dialogue with the city. As of April 2, Grimes said no answer has yet been received. Johnson, who was in Washington D.C. at the end of last month as part of the U.S. Conference of Mayors and coincidentally moderated a forum on educational reform, was not immediately available to respond as of this writing.

As it happens, Miller and Grimes would have been fortunate to have a seat at the March 31 forum Johnson moderated in D.C., as it included D.C. School

Chancellor Michelle A. Rhee, a nationally recognized figure in the school reform movement. Rhee has made a name for herself as a reorganizer of school systems to save money and improve results.

Miller said she is currently reviewing many different strategies and concepts from other school districts across the state and nationwide. Rhee, who has recently closed 23 schools in D.C. to shore-up budget deficits and re-

organize spending, said (according to the Washington Post) at the March 31 D.C. forum that the possibility of school closures, like those faced by Miller and Grimes, are never easy choices, sometimes necessary and often unpopular.

“If you want to be the least popular person in the city, close one school, much less 23,” Rhee said, according to the Washington Post blog D.C. Wire.

For the school board's part, Grimes said the board members will undergo a process of self-evaluation, providing additional reform of local government.

“We will be looking at ourselves... we will be graded,” he said.

Keeping positive

With changes and possible closures coming to the district, Miller said this is a time to keep faculty motivated and parents

engaged, as their profession is a “people business.” Miller and Grimes also made a point to say they encourage members of the public to attend school board meetings to voice their opinions. Local residents can also e-mail Miller and Grimes at superintendent@sac-city.k12.ca.us and escuelanuevo@sbcglobal.net, respectively.

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Ava Montelongo, 9 months, experiences her first Easter at the East Sacramento-Midtown Kiwanis Club's 22nd annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt held at McKinley Park.



Emma Woodhouse has her face painted before the East Sacramento-Midtown Kiwanis Club's 22nd annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt on April 11 at McKinley Park.

Easter in East Sacramento

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Orion Hill, 16 months, and Quinn Cooper, 17 months, gather eggs at McKinley Park as part of the East Sacramento-Midtown Kiwanis Club's 22nd annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt on April 11.

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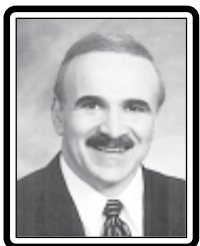
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PAUL: So you started in the car business over 19 years ago selling BMW's and Mercedes Benz then moved up into management finishing your automotive career as a GM at Land Rover Rocklin. I know you love that business, why change?

ELIZABETH: I did love the car business. What I enjoyed the most was helping people purchase their dream cars. My clients worked hard every day and I had the pleasure of watching them drive off the lot after having accomplished their goals.

I had also reached my personal goals in the car business and was ready for a new adventure. I decided now was a great time for real estate. Many might think this tough market is an odd time to enter real estate. In fact, that is exactly the type of challenge that motivates me!

PAUL: Why do you think you're uniquely equipped to help people buy and sell their homes?

ELIZABETH: I'm passionate about real estate. Ever since I was a little girl I have been picking out houses for my relatives to buy! My oldest son was the one who pointed out every time we go on vacation I drag him to look at open houses. Most importantly, I have an extensive background of caring and consistently communicating with my clients both before and after the sale. I build friendships and as many of them will tell you, I put their best interests first. My goal is to make their real estate transaction as smooth as possible. By listening to them and truly paying attention, I'm able to make something that can be stressful, fun. My hope is to do such a great job that they refer me to their friends and utilize my enthusiasm and love of real estate over and over!

PAUL: If you had to wrap up your philosophy in one sentence what would it be?

ELIZABETH: How about a few sentences? Do what you love and do it well. Treat others the way you would like to be treated and ask your clients what you can do to continually improve. Life is about learning lessons and truly connecting with those around you. My grandfather used to say "Carpe Diem, seize the day Elizabeth and make it a good one!" That is exactly what I intend to do.

A golden celebration

Local men turn 100 years old just one day apart

By Lance Armstrong
THE EAST SACRAMENTO NEWS

In a day and age when “80 is the new 60” and people are typically living longer lives, nothing takes away from the remarkable accomplishment of living to be 100 years old. And right here in the Sacramento area, a pair of local residents recently did just that.

A coincidental twist to the story of these two new centenarians, Carl Becker and J.D. Conger, is the fact that they reached the century mark just a day apart. Becker was born on April 1, 1909

and Conger was born on April 2, 1909.

And adding to this story is the unlikely aspect that despite being born more than 1,500 miles from one another, Becker and Conger accomplished the rare feat of turning 100 years old while residing just a little more than five miles away from each other.

As one might imagine, anyone who has the opportunity to celebrate 100 years of life should have a collection of interesting life experiences worth sharing with others. And in the case of Becker and Conger, they

certainly do not dispel such a notion.

Being Becker

Becker, who is a native Sacramentan, recently recalled some of his earliest memories as a former resident of the Sacramento Children’s Home or the “orphanage,” as Becker said that it was referred to during his youth.

“I was born in Sacramento here and my father put us (Carl and his brothers, Edwin and Elmer) in the orphanage after a break-up in the marriage and there was no other place to put us, because in those days there

was no other charitable,” said Becker, who lived at the home from July 28, 1915 to Dec. 9, 1919. “A great commodity there was (the game of) marbles and my brother (Edwin) had the most marbles of anybody. Also, I remember looking out the window of the dormitory at the horses and once in awhile a car would go by going, ‘chug, chug, chug.’ We used to count the number of cars that would pass by the orphanage and usually there were only about four cars a day that would go by.”

Becker, who later worked on the X-Ray newspaper staff at Sacramento High School with Herb Caen, the eventual Sacramento Union writer and San Francisco Chronicle columnist, worked a variety of jobs during his life.

“I tried everything,” said Becker, who also attended Sacramento Junior College (today’s Sacramento City College). “I was in the newspaper business with the old Sacramento Union reading copy and during the late 1920s and early 1930s, I worked at the Hearst building at 3rd and Market (streets) in San Francisco, before taking a job at a nearby haberdashery. For about four years, I was with the Southern Pacific as a fire-lighter, lighting the fire in the boiler for the different

overland expresses that came through (Sacramento).”

Becker, who also spent about 35 years working in the dairy industry for the Crystal Cream and Butter Co. and other dairy companies, was married in 1932 and with his now-late wife, Alice, had a son named, Richard, and a daughter, named Patricia. Becker also has one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

When asked what words of advice he has for someone who would like to live for 100 years, Becker stressed the words, “common sense.”

“I’ve been through the first Depression, I’ve been through a lot of wars – although I wasn’t active in them – but I think I’ve accomplished something in life,” Becker said. “I’ve accomplished a remedy for a long life by maintaining a good diet and using common sense; common sense in all things you do. Don’t go overboard. Don’t drink too much, don’t talk badly about others and be friends with everybody.”

Growing up Conger

Conger, who was born in Cordell, Okla. and as a young boy made his way to Arkansas with his father, a former Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad

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employee, presented a positive, yet much less detailed approach to living a long life.

Perhaps holding onto a personal secret for century-long living, Conger, when asked to describe his own long life method, said, "Just keep on living."

Conger's son, Jim, said that his father was very dedicated to his employment and always kept busy throughout his working years.

"My father was a very hardworking man," Jim said. "He started out working on road construction and then he came to California (in 1935) and worked in the sawmill-lumber business for all the years up until the year he retired."

Overall, Conger, who once worked as a sawmill manager in Wilseyville, near Jackson, spent about 42 years in the lumber industry.

Today, Conger, who also has a daughter named Joyce Layton, seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, six great-great grandchildren and another great-great grandchild due this month, resides at Carmichael Oaks Senior Living with his wife, Opal, who he married 79 years ago.

Remarkable men

According to research by the Sacramento-based organization, Take A Stand Against Elder Abuse, which presents an annual centenarian dinner, Becker and Conger are among the known 190 centenarians of the Sacramento area.

Peggy Forseth-Andrews, who has met her fair share of



Sacramento native Carl Becker, who lived at the Sacramento Children's Home from 1915 to 1919, celebrated his 100th birthday on April 1.



J.D. Conger, who spent his 100th birthday with family members at Carmichael Oaks Senior Living on April 2, discusses what it means to him to become a centenarian.



Carl Becker (right) is shown in this c. 1925 photograph with his brothers, Elmer (left) and Edwin.

local centenarians through her role as president of Take A Stand Against Elder Abuse, said that she was pleased to learn about the monumental birthdays of Becker and Conger.

"Centenarians are very special people and they had to overcome a lot of obstacles to reach 100 years old," Forseth-Andrews said. "They've definitely earned our respect over the years and they're still to be valued and cherished. I would like to congratulate these men for turning 100 and thank them for everything they've done over the years and wish them many more years."

And based on the positive attitudes of Becker and Conger, who recently celebrated their special birthdays with their families and friends, it appears that many more candles will need to be purchased to celebrate future birthdays of the Sacramento area's two newest centenarians.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SMUD Invites Public Input on Proposed Rate Increase

SMUD is holding two public workshops and a public hearing with customers to discuss the need for a proposed electric rate increase.

Despite aggressive in-house cost containment in all discretionary areas, a 9.5 percent rate increase is proposed to go into effect September 1, 2009 after the summer peak-use period is over. A second 3.5 percent rate increase would go into effect January 2011.

The economic recession has impacted electricity revenues and turmoil in the credit markets has caused borrowing costs to rise and interest earnings to decline. Additional factors are adversely affecting SMUD's budget and have contributed to the need for a rate increase including:

- higher gas costs associated with contracts executed in 2008 and a reduction in hydro power from the Western Area Power Administration as the result of the three year drought
- the rising cost of required renewable energy contracts
- an aging energy infrastructure needing upgrades to ensure continued reliability and meet new federal grid security and reliability requirements

Even with the proposed rate increase SMUD rates remain among the lowest in California and would be approximately 23 percent below PG&E.

Public Workshops

Thursday, April 23, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13, 9 a.m.

Public Hearing

Thursday, June 4, 6 p.m.

All three meetings will be held at SMUD Headquarters, 6201 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817

Information on the proposed rate increase, a copy of the General Manager's Report and Recommendations and the schedule of additional meetings can be found on smud.org. Copies of the report are also available at all Sacramento County Public Libraries.

Accommodations are available for disabled individuals. If you need a hearing assistance device or other aid, or have specific rate questions, contact Rob Landon, SMUD Rates Administrator at (916) 732-6222. Written comments should be sent to him at rates@smud.org or MS A451, SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, Sacramento, CA 95852-1830.



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APRIL

Breakthrough piano instruction at Belle Cooleedge Library

Dane Andrus is a Simply Music senior associate piano instructor. He will be lead-

ing a free introductory session on the Simply Music piano method Mondays, April 20 and 27 from 10 to 11:15 a.m. at the Belle Cooleedge Library for the seventh year in a row. At least two songs will be learned using the Simply Music Method. Group classes for Simply Music instruction will be offered subsequently for adults. Seating is limited. If you have a piano or keyboard, reserve a seat now for the free introduction session by calling Dane Andrus at 447-1750.

APRIL 17

Monarchs and scholarships

Jenny Bouchek, coach of the Sacramento Monarchs, and Monarchs player DeMya Walker, discuss "Living My Dream" at a scholarship luncheon for local college-

bound girls, hosted by Soroptimist International of Sacramento, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Road. Cost, \$20. Reservations and information at 363-6 927 or e-mail barbaramcdonald@comcast.net.

See students slam poets

Sacramento Area Youth Speaks, in conjunction with the Sacramento City Unified School District, hosts a poetry workshop and slam at Crocker Auditorium, California Middle School, 1600 Vallejo Way, from 6-9 p.m. Arrive early to sign up for the slam!

Explore new learning center

Alder Grove Learning Center celebrates its grand opening with a special tour for the community from 3:30-5 p.m. The learning center is located at 752 Revere Street, Unit B. The center touts a computer lab, a teen room, a playroom and a library among its amenities.

APRIL 18

Playground Classic

Get a group together and come out for the first annual Playground Classic where you'll compete in your favorite childhood

games: dodgeball, kick ball, and Capture the Flag. The event will be held on three consecutive Saturdays at Jonas Larkspur Park, corner of Jonas Avenue and Larkspur Lane. Each Saturday features a different game: today, dodgeball; April 25, kickball; and May 2, Capture the Flag. Games begin at 10 a.m. and tournaments will finish by 3 p.m. Teams should consist of 10 to 12 people, and be equally divided between men and women. Register for the full tournament (\$150) or for individual tournaments (\$60). Registration forms and more information can be found at www.amrpd.org or call 487-7851.

See a Free Movie

See the 1942 classic "Now, Voyager," at Didion-Lewis Park Recreation Center at 6490 Harmon Dr. Doors open at 6.30 p.m. Movie starts promptly at 7 p.m. Bring a comfortable chair and enjoy the award-winning film. For more details, call Margaret at 421-3908.

Parkinson's Education

As April is Parkinson's Awareness month, the community is invited to attend a special Parkinson's disease educational meeting Saturday, at 10 a.m. at Primrose, 7707 Rush River Dr. For more information, call

Valerie Barclay at (916) 392-3510. Reserve your space before April 10.

Laugh Out Loud Yoga

Let's spring into Spring with Laughter Yoga in the Belle Cooleedge Library Community Room, Saturday from 9-9:50 a.m. This innovative and free class uses laughter to get people through some of their most trying times. Guided by Certified Laughter Yoga Leader Judy Knott, classes meet once or twice a month in the Land Park area at 9:00 a.m. for just under an hour. For more information, e-mail knottmorris@hotmail.com or call 539-1716.

APRIL 18, 19

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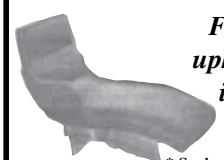
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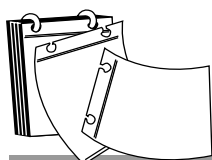
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APRIL 18, 19

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APRIL 19

Meditation closes Buddha Exhibit
The Crocker Art Museum will host a mass meditation on peace in the museum's courtyard starting at 3 p.m. to mark the closing of "Budda." Lama Jinpa and Michael Halfhill of the Lion's Roar Dharma Center will guide participants in a mantra chant followed by silent meditation. The ceremony will begin with a traditional music performance and an introduction to the chanting process. The ceremony is free and open to all ages. For more information, call (916) 808-7000 or visit crockerartmuseum.org.

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Located at the Clunie Clubhouse on Alhambra and F Street next to the library and held from 3 to 4:30 p.m., this event is a chance to hear and sing-along with well-known American folk music by the Shadechasers, all of whom live in or near McKinley Park. Their instruments include an accordion, fiddles, a mandolin, a guitar and a banjo. They welcome all ages to sing together. Usually, the group starts with old favorites, then moves on to special songs for the occasion.

APRIL 21

Travel abroad

Free information session about the Oaxaca, Mexico, Travel Study Program offered through Sacramento State College of Continuing Education, 6 to 8 p.m. in Napa Hall, 3000 State University Drive East. Participants of the two-week program will attend educational seminars, guided weekend tours to archeological sites, and strengthen their Spanish language skills all while earning three units of undergraduate or graduate credit. For more information, call professor Peter Baird at 278-4916, or visit www.edweb.csus.edu/bmed/mexico.

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APRIL 25

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Carmichael Recreation and Park District celebrates Creek Week, 9 a.m., with a clean up. Bring family and friends to get wet and muddy, create art from trash, help clean up parks and creeks, and mingle with fellow creek lovers. After the clean up, volunteers will be honored at the Sacramento Discovery Learning Center, 3615 Auburn Blvd. Activities at noon include free barbecue, t-shirt, educational and activity booths, music and more. Information from the Sacramento Urban Creeks Council, 482-8377.

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The McKinley East Sacramento Neighborhood Association, known as MENA, is hosting its East Sacramento Home Tour Sunday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year, MENA is presenting a special tour featuring "The Homes of 38th Street," a unique walking tour of architectural styles from 1910 to 1929. Each home will be open for view inside and out.

Tickets for the tour are \$15 in advance and available at Pulp Papery, 3020 H

St.; William Glen, Town and Country Village; Collected Works, 4524 Freeport Blvd.; Sutter Middle School, 3152 I St.; and Theodore Judah Elementary, 3919 McKinley Blvd.

Tickets are \$20 on tour day and can be purchased at the ticket table at one of the tour homes on 38th Street.

MENA is a non-profit neighborhood association registered with the city of Sacramento. Proceeds go to promote neighborhood safety, beautification projects and neighborhood livability. For more information, e-mail MENA at MENA@eastsac.org or visit www.eastsac.org.

Homes on the tour: 1081 38th St.

Owners: Gregg and Sally Luckenbill

Gregg and Sally Luckenbill purchased their home in 1998 and immediately had to have the electricity rewired and new plumbing. The home still had the original knob and tube wiring and galvanized pipes. In 2006, the Luckenbills' had the kitchen remodeled.

The home was built in 1912-13 on 1031 Maple. In 1918, address changed to 1081 38th St. Style of the home exterior is Mission Revival and interior is Arts and Crafts.

The home has a full-length porch with Mission Style arches and attached port co-

heres with matching arch. Inside the home, the wood paneling and oak floors with contrasting hardwood inlays and the pocket door in the dining room are all original. The wood, 4-foot-wide Arts and Crafts front door and the stain glass windows in the upstairs stairway are also original. A stairway goes to the front of the home and to the kitchen. The kitchen stairway was for when this home had a live-in maid.

Sally's favorite part of the home is the downstairs front room that looks out on the wide 38th Street view. The front porch is a close second for a favorite place. Gregg's favorite part of the home is his workshop down in the basement.

Johannes Stein, electrician and carpenter, did work done on the home since the Luckenbills purchased the house.

1200 38th St.

Owner: Janet Gatejen

The two-story, white clapboard house with wrap-around porches is reminiscent of a large and comfortable southern home. The lines are straightforward and classic. The imposing front door is ribbed glass, with lights of beveled glass at the upper and lower parts of the door. Entry is directly into the living room, with the staircase to the left.

The house was built as a duplex with almost identical floor plans: two bedrooms, one

bath, kitchen, living room, formal dining room on each floor. The original square footage was approximately 1,200 upstairs and 1,300 downstairs. The current square footage is 2,900.

Current owner Janet Gatejen purchased the home in 1997. The house has been remodeled to its current single-family design in stages, beginning with the pool. All remodeling work was finished in 2003. There are hardwood floors throughout the home—most are original to the house. According to the homeowner, all of the remodeling stayed true to the originals in the house—this includes replacing the 4-inch baseboard and framing for doors and windows when necessary.

On the main floor, the kitchen and family room are a light and bright sweep across the back of the house, with a fireplace, white cupboards, an island and new hardwood floors. Two sets of French doors open onto a back porch and overlook the backyard and pool. The kitchen was reconfigured and most of the family room was added to the original structure of the house.

Gatejen's favorite feature of the home is the kitchen-family room combination. She loved the remodeling process; watching and participating in the changes, she borrowed

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This year, MENA is presenting a special tour featuring "The Homes of 38th Street," a unique walking tour of architectural styles from 1910 to 1929. The homes are pictured above according to address: 1. 1081 38th St.; 2. 1200 38th St.; 3. 1210 38th St.; 4. 1215 38th St.; 5. 1302 38th St.; and 6. 1340 38th St.

MENA

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the design of her stairway balustrade from a neighbor's house.

1215 38th St.

Owners: Gary and Cyndie MacFadyen

The MacFadyens kept the character in mind when remodeling their home. To them it is more than a house: This home is living history. They like the craftsmanship and the design of the house and were drawn to it years before they purchased it. Gary had been walking past this home for years while commuting to his office.

The MacFadyens have the original blueprints for the home, which was built in 1927.

The home starts with a circular walkway that mimics the downstairs hall inside the home. Inside the home, there are delightful reminders of 1920s design. Curved wide openings allow the rooms to flow one into another.

Contractors and remodelers on the home: Wes Construction, Rick Bender Painting, Wardlow Tile and Stone, Gerhard Electrical Contracting, Claudia Bordin Design, Teixeira Woodworks, David Hodson Plumbing, Dan's Custom Cabinets, Demetre Landscapes, Ghost Construction and Emerald Design, Michael Hayes.

1302 38th St.

Owners: Jason and Mary Kinney

This elegant, French Tutor-styled home, built in the late 1920s, be-

gan as a duplex with an elevator and back stairway leading to a second unit upstairs. During the 1980s, the structure was converted into a single-family home. And today, thanks to current owners Jason and Mary Kinney (and Mary Kinney's father who was the general contractor), the dwelling stands as a testament to quality design and craftsmanship.

When they purchased their house a year ago, Mary Kinney knew that light and color would be her guiding principles. Accordingly, she ordered a custom-made, leaded-glass front door with sidelights; added a hallway (leading from the living room in the front to the family room-kitchen-breakfast room in the back); lined the hall with French doors and continued the trend in the breakfast room with large windows and more French doors. Along the way, she added delightful surprises such as the small toy-library room, which sits across from the dining room.

In the kitchen, Kinney ensured a line of sight from the sink, through the dining room and out the front picture window by punching a pass-through over the sink.

The upstairs remodel consists of a master bedroom suite with a large walk-in closet, a dream bath with walk-in shower and claw foot tub, a wall of white cabinets for towels/linens and a laundry room.

The backyard includes an outdoor kitchen and large brick patio with an elegant brick stairway set in concur-

rent semi-circles, providing a regal entrance to the al fresco dining area.

1340 38th St.

Owners: Dick and Debbie Grutzmacher

A curved brick walkway and pretty arbor grace the entryway to this pale yellow, Tudor-style home. Blue shutters frame the front leaded glass windows. The house has a wonderful roofline and appearance.

The home was built in 1923 as a two-story, four-bedroom, two-bath home. The attached garage was a drive-through, allowing vehicle access to the rear yard.

The current homeowners purchased the home in 1987 through probate court. They may be only the second owners-residents of this home.

The home originally consisted of 2,500 square feet. The remodel added 1,600 square feet. The initial changes in 1989 were to add a pool and fully enclose a south-facing porch. This room is now a study off the living room. All of the French doors in the home, living room windows and the living room fireplace surround are crafted of quarter-sawn oak, exposing a beautiful grain of the wood. The living room brick hearth is original, with beautiful ceramic "golfing" tiles (from Country Floors Showcase in San Francisco) added by the current homeowners. Ceilings in the living room, dining room and foyer are the original beams placed perpendicular to wooden-planks.

The major remodel of the home was begun in 1992 and took a year to com-

plete. Donald Barry was the general contractor. The intention was to add a huge country kitchen (built to house a big kitchen table, says the homeowner). The kitchen opens into a large, comfortable family room with access to the backyard, beautiful (new) casement windows on two walls and a fireplace with stunning white mantel and surround.

The remodel continued upstairs, first by opening up the stairway in the foyer. An existing upstairs bedroom at the back of the house was enlarged (over the newly added family room below), creating a beautiful and comfortable private master suite.

Landscaping projects have been done several times, most recently in 2002 by landscape architect David Gibson. The home was painted inside and out in 2007 by Edgar Argueta. Claudia Bordin chose the paint colors that give the home a French feel.

The home is so well built that summer evening breezes keep the homeowners cool without using the air conditioning—even upstairs. The homeowner says the kitchen with the blue tiles is her favorite room. She loves the neighborhood and her wonderful neighbors.

A summary for 1210 38th St. home and a profile of owners Mike and Kathy Davis was unavailable at print time. Visit the East Sacramento News Web site, www.ValComNews.com, for a complete summary of all the homes.



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