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Inside a cavernous North Sacramento warehouse, Bob Davidson, a fit, and soft-spoken retired physician guides his forklift toward pallets of boxed, perishable food items—initiating a string of events that will impact numerous lives. Davidson, who volunteers at Senior Gleaners, a 38-year-old food bank that rounds up grocery items past the sell-by date but are safe for consumption, is readying them for a grow-

with help from East Sac grocers

The need to feed:

Senior Gleaners turn altruism into action

Photo by Paul Romo

A portion of food donations to Senior Gleaners from Trader Joe's includes: a variety of fruits and vegetables, dozens of artisan bread products, pre-packaged salads and appetizers, assorted desserts, as well as non-edible flowers.

turn, is believed by some to be rooted in empathy or the ability to understand and share the feelings of another.

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Matías Bombal's Hollywood

"And So It Goes"

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Clairius Entertainment distributes Rob Reiner's uplifting comedy "And So It Goes," which opens July 18 and stars Michael Douglas as Oren Little, a Realtor who is about as likeable as television's Archie Bunker, whose attitude his resembles. Before Oren's planned retirement, he has one last house to sell-his own.

Oren motors in his classic, white 1967 250SE Mercedes-Benz Cabriolet, which he prizes, willfully obnoxious to anyone he passes. When his estranged son shows up out of the blue and drops off Oren's never-before-seen granddaughter for a prolonged, unplanned visit, he tries having his neighbor Leah (a radiant performance by Diane Keaton) take care of the delightful little girl, played by pretty Miss Sterling Jerins.

That brings Oren to a new level of communication with those around him, and he starts the long road to becoming an agreeable human being again. Douglas plays crusty very well, and you'll enjoy disliking his curmudgeonly ways.

Director Rob Reiner has a cameo as a milquetoast pianist and accompanist for Keaton, who sings again in this movie, but has trouble getting through each song without breaking out in tears for her deceased husband. Sharp eyes will notice the director's famous father, Carl Reiner, in vintage photos on the wall of Keaton's apartment.

Actress Frances Sternhagen ("Up the Down Staircase," 1967) has a wonderful bit as a veteran Realtor in Oren's office. This is a pleasant comedy of well-dressed folks in an agreeable setting. It's perfect for summer, and just as light.

"Wish I Was Here"

The MPAA has rated this R

Actor Zach Braff has written and directed the Focus Features release, "Wish I Was Here," which was unusually funded by 46,529 fans who, via Kickstarter, raised more than \$3 million, half the entire budget for the film.

In the film, Braff is a man at a crossroads in his career, where financial realities and other unexpected stressors make him look for new alternatives for his kids and his wife. She works at a job she barely tolerates to provide for the family whilst he follows his dream of acting, going constantly to auditions for which he's never hired. They are behind in their payments for their children's private school. Things get worse with family heath issues. Aidan Bloom (Braff) never loses hope.

This is a wonderful production with a big heart and excellent performances. You'll see a particularly agreeable return to the screen for Mandy Patinkin, as Aidan's aging dad, struggling with a terminal cancer.

Lovely Kate Hudson is very good as Aidan's wife. Alexander Chaplin offers a good turn as Rabbi Rosenberg and Josh Gad plays the nerdy, game-playing adult brother of Aidan, offering both sarcastic and touching moments. Fans of television's "Big Bang Theory" will delight in seeing that show's star, Jim Parsons, in a small, enjoyable bit.

Many clever scenes including a sequential demonstration of Mr. Bloom's love for his children, whilst on a vacation with them. This is a magical, sweet and touching image that will linger in your memory.





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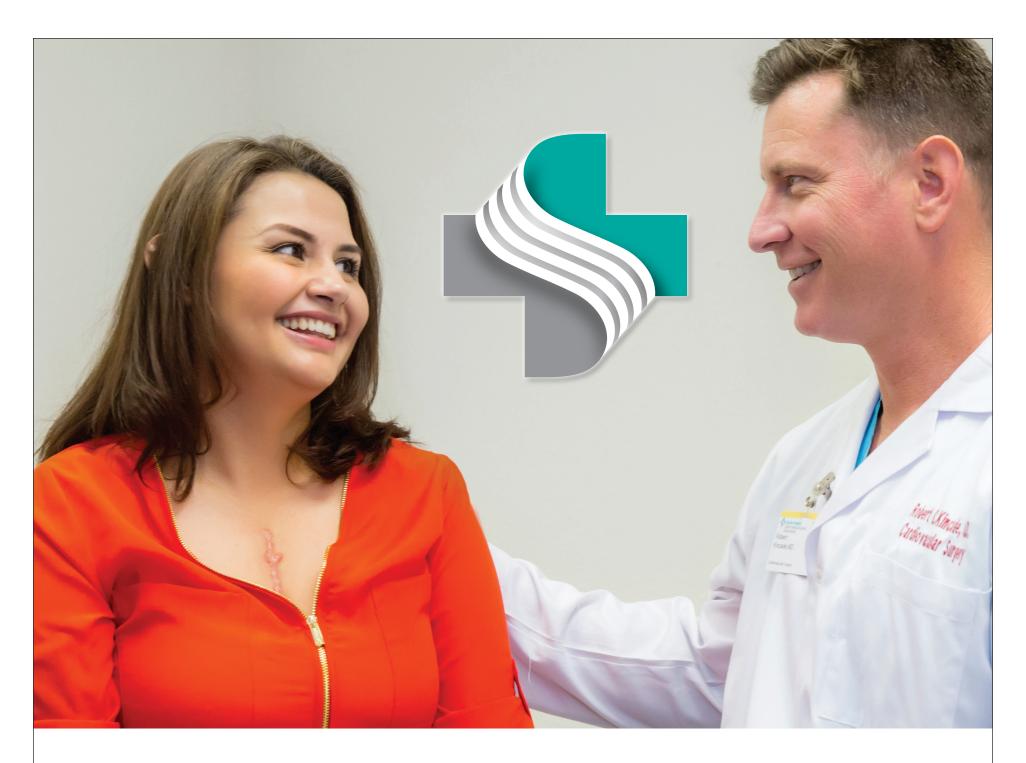
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Tuesday Club's first clubhouse opened in 1912

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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Editor's note: This is the third article in a series about the Tuesday Club of Sacramento.

The Tuesday Club of Sacramento, which operated in the capital city for more than a century, has a very rich history, which began in 1896.

In an official move to plan for and own a clubhouse for the housing of the Tuesday Club in the city of Sacramento, as well as for handling the club's business affairs, a stock corporation known as the Tuesday Club House Association was established on April 7, 1903. The association evolved from a club committee that had been organized in 1900.

The original directors of the association were Sacramento residents and Tuesday Club members, Mrs. W.P. Coleman, Mrs. E.E. Earle, Mrs. F.A. Edinger, Mrs. L.C. Farrar, Mrs. Annie M. Gerber, W.H. Govan, Mrs. C.H. Pomeroy, Mrs. S.B. Slight and Mrs. G.A. Stoddard.

To aid in the financial endeavors of the association, 25,000 shares were made available at \$1 each.

Among the association's early subscribers and their number of shares purchased were: Mrs. W.P. Coleman, 200; Miss Jennie Mc-Connell, 100; Mrs. F.A. Edinger, 50; Miss Annie M. Gerber, 25; Mrs. A.A. Goddard, 25; Mrs. C.H. Pomeroy, 25; Mrs. G.A. Stoddard, 50; Mrs. A.J. Johnston, 25; Mrs. S.B. Slight, 25; Mrs. H. Weinstock, 25; Mrs. E.E. Earle, 20; Miss Lillian Ebert, 20; Mrs. G. Gattman, 10; Mrs. W.H. Govan, 10; Mrs. C. Kaufman, 10; Mrs. C.J. Noack, 10; Mrs. S.E. Clayton, 5; Mrs. L.C. Ferrar, 5; Mrs. J.O. Hand, 5; Mrs. Julia Holl, 5; Mrs. C.F. Prentiss, 5; Mrs. J.C. Carly, 1; Mrs. G.C. Cotton, 1; Mrs. E.G. Hayford, 1; Mrs. T.W. Madeley, 1; J. Henry Miller, 1; and Mrs. J.G. Storch, 1.

An April 1904 financial report for the association showed that \$2,150 had been raised by the organization. It was also in 1904 that various Tuesday Club members assisted in the founding of the non-Tuesday Club affiliated Sacramento Women's Council. That organization had the objective of becoming involved in civic affairs of the city and county.

With the inclusion of cookbook sales, the building fund was increased to \$3,165.43 during the following year.

By May 1905, several lots for a future clubhouse had been offered to the Tuesday Club in the range of \$3,100 to \$8,000.

And of those lots, the association selected a 60-foot by 160-foot lot on J Street, between 15th and 16th streets. The lot had a sale price of \$5,500.

With the assistance of a \$1,500 loan from the People's Bank, the association completed its purchase of that lot in August 1905,

Constitution and
By-Laws

of the
tuesday
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association

Photo courtesy of the Lance Armstrong Collection The Tuesday Club House Association's constitution and by-laws were filed with the county clerk and the secretary of state on April 7, 1903.

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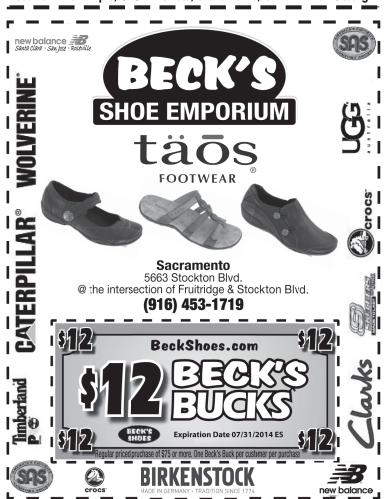
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Tuesday Club:

and fundraising continued for the construction of a clubhouse.

Among those fundraising efforts was a chrysanthemum and doll show at the Governor's Mansion during the fall of 1906. The event netted the association \$534.35.

A change in plans for the future clubhouse site occurred when the association accepted an \$11,000 offer for their J Street property from the real estate firm, The Carmichael Co.

following During the month, the association made arrangements to purchase an 80-foot by 160-foot lot on the south side of L Street, between 27th and 28th streets, for \$4,500.

In celebration of the completed purchase of the L Street lot, a jollification meeting was held at the lot and Lily Louise Beard, the club's then-newly elected president, accepted the deed for the property.

In 1908, a resolution was adopted by the club in favor of an ordinance that had been submitted to local voters for the abolishment of saloons in residential districts of Sacramento.

A treasurer's report from that same year showed that \$9,000 had been raised toward the construction of a clubhouse.

In the fall of 1910, changes to the association's constitution and by-laws were made in order to allow non-Tuesday Club members to own stock in the association.

However, a regulation of the association guaranteed that the majority of the stock would be held by Tuesday Club members.

In 1911, a contract for the construction of a clubhouse was signed following the acceptance of the Matthews Construction Co's low bid of \$29,725.

The building of the clubhouse was a timely affair and by as early as February 1912, arrangements were being made to furnish the structure upon its completion.

Additionally, rental rates for the clubhouse were decided upon around that time.

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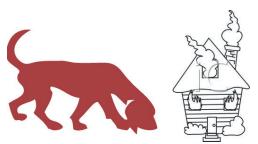
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Red, white and blue filled the streets of East Sacramento and nearby River Park with happy revelers who decked out floats, bikes and, of course, themselves. At the River Park event, there were kiddie parades, which began at Caleb Greenwood; there were antique cars, bounce houses, imagination stations, carnival games and prizes. Additionally, at the festival, there was musical entertainment by Mere Mortals, a local band that plays blues rock, classic rock, R&B and oldies.





Faces and Places: East Suramento Photos by







and River Park drew large crowds















Senior Gleaners:

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presence of "mirror neurons," which act in response to emotions expressed by others and then reproduces them in the viewer.

Dr. Stephanie Preston (Behavioral Neuroscience, UC Berkeley) sees mirror neurons as a perception-action mechanism, which she contends is "the glue that binds social groups together." It's a 1-2-3 sequence: I notice you, I feel with you and so I act to help you; author Daniel Goleman explains in his book, "Social Intelligence."

Conscious of this theory and taking action, Senior Gleaners was launched in 1976.

The company's name derives from the word, *doglenn*, a 14th century Gaelic word meaning: he selects. A gleaner is one who gathers leftover crops from farmers' fields after they're commercially harvested.

Originally starting as a group of 30 volunteer seniors collecting fruits and vegetables from a variety of food sources to feed the poor, the non-profit's clientele has swelled.

Fast forward nearly 40 years and those who rely on the organization for food include a wide range of communities: faith-based groups, developmentally disabled, families with children, single mothers, veterans, seniors, the homeless and foster children to name a few.

President/CEO Gary McDonald said the average age for clients used to be 50 years of age and now it's 18 years old.

In partnership with numerous East Sacramento grocers, such as Safeway, Trader Joe's, Save Mart and Whole Foods in the surrounding area, a wide net is cast when it comes to food gathering.

Supplied to more than 230 agencies in 12 counties, the food is then divided and transported off-site by partnering companies to their facilities and served to those in need. In total, that's just more than 8 million pounds of food distributed to approximately 108,000 people per year.

McDonald acknowledges the decrease in physical labor done by volunteers previously able to pick crops outdoors.

"Since membership holders have gotten older, there's been a drop off in gleaning out in the orchards, people's backyards and fields," the CEO said.

Near the back of the warehouse, a group of about a dozen volunteers have completed their shifts and are waiting in the pantry area to retrieve part of the agreement—in this case, bread.

If a person qualifies and is in the low-income bracket, groceries are part of the deal. Basically they would be working for food. Applicants pay a \$5 per month membership fee, work a four-hour shift and get a breakfast/lunch for their labor.

Encouraging job seekers to give back to the community and keep their



Photo by Paul Rome

A Senior Gleaners truck prepares for a food donation pick up.

skills up while looking for employment, McDonald welcomes all potential humanitarians.

"Volunteers and donations is what we need," he said.

Later in the day, McDonald was set to testify downtown on Senate Bill 935—to increase the minimum wage.

"It's the number one reason for food insecurity—lack of wage. The more money for people struggling—the better for everyone," McDonald said.

On July 1, minimum wage increased from \$8 to \$9 despite the living wage of \$9.95 in Sacramen-

to. Minimum wage will rise to \$10 an hour in January 2016, under the bill signed by Gov. Brown back in September 2013.

"Maybe it will be an affordable wage where [workers] can feed their family. It kills me to think kids are going to bed hungry," McDonald said.

To donate (including non-food items) or volunteer contact: Senior Gleaners 1951 Bell Ave. Sacramento, CA 95838 (916) 925-3240 seniorgleaners.org





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Free summer meal program returning at four Arden-**Carmichael locations**

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do not have to be enrolled in the San Juan Unified School District, there are no income requirements, and there is no paperwork to complete. All locations will serve lunch from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Below are the locations for this year's program, which goes until July 31: SJUSD Admissions & Family Services: 3700 Garfield Ave. in Carmichael Coyle Avenue Elementary: 6330 Coyle Ave. in Carmichael

Howe Avenue Elementary: 2404 Howe Ave. in Sacramento: Howe Avenue will also serve breakfast from 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Carriage Drive Elementary: 7519 Carriage Dr. in Citrus Heights

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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.

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Zumba for Seniors at Hart Senior Center

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Tuesday 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Sierra Arden Church of Christ, 890 Morse Ave (at Northrup), Room F-4. Thursday 7 – 8:30 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd,1615 Morse Ave. (at Arden Way) left of choir room. An optional newcomer orientation

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Each second Tuesday of the month at Revolution Wines at 6:30 p.m., Women With Good Spirits invites a community non-profit to present on its mission work. The presenter will start their presentation promptly 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+donation per person that will go directly to the non-profit presenting that month. 2831 S St. Visit www.womenwithgoodspirits.com or find the group on Facebook.

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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**

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JULY

Food truck festival in McKinley Park **38th Street Annual Blood Drive**

July 17: One of the largest blood drives will be held on this day. To sign up for the blood drive, go to bloodsource.org/drives and enter location code M597, or call Alice at 451-5507. The drive will take place at 1141 38th St. between J St. and M St. from 3 to 7 p.m.

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Movie night at Curtis Park

July 19: Movie starts when it gets dark - at about 8 p.m. 3349 West Curtis Dr.

Turtlerama at Belle Cooledge Library July 19: See turtles and tortoises big and small at this annual event held at Belle Cooledge Library. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., 421-1134.

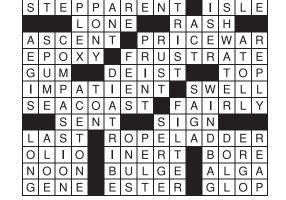
Cabrillo Park Neighborhood Concert July 20: From 5 to 8 p.m. at Cabrillo Park, catch some good tunes. 1825 67th Ave., Sacramento, 95822.

Sacramento Youth Symphony presents its Summer Chamber **Music Workshop**

July 19-20: The Sacramento Youth Symphony's Summer Chamber Music Workshop directed by Susan Lamb Cook will feature student and faculty performers in two evenings of concerts. Composer in Residence, Hermes Camacho (http://www.hermescamacho.com/about) has composed a new piece to celebrate the 25th Anniversary. Reception following concerts. Both Saturday and Sunday shows start at 7:30 p.m. The Saturday show will be held at CSUS Capistrano Hall - Music Recital Hall. 6000 J St., and the Sunday show will be held at St. Anthony Church, 660 Florin Road, Tickets are \$10 adult, \$5 seniors and students, youth age 10 and under free. Available 30 minutes before each concert, and on the web site at www.sacramentoyouthsymphony.org For more information, call 731-5777 or email Vicki Schaevitz at vicki@ sacramentoyouthsymphony.org The mission of the Sacramento Youth Symphony is to educate and advance the musical skills of the youth of our communities in ways that engage, challenge and inspire them to reach their highest potential.

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Book box in Tahoe Park resembles Dr. Who police call box

By BILL LAWS bill@valcomnews.com

The Tahoe Park neighborhood is a new home for the Police Call Box featured in the English science fiction sitcom "Dr. Who." Popular in reruns, fans of the television show playfully call themselves Whovians.

The Call Box, nicknamed Tardis, was an imaginary vehicle which allowed the heroes of the futuristic science fantasy to travel through both space and time.

In the Tahoe Park version of the blue box, which features a rooftop hurricane lamp, the passengers are library books and not people. Novels, juvenile books and a set of children's games are available for borrowers on the shelves of this little library, AKA call box.

Jeremy, a neighbor from the end of the street, explains that three weeks ago he borrowed a book of science experiments from the call box. "My girlfriend's daughter has done some neat experiments for her fourth grade class," he says. He also explains that he does not know when he needs to return the book to the box. It is his under-

standing, he explains, that books are "kept as needed."

A neat sign on the call box explains to anyone passing by the nature of the miniature library. Users of the informal library are exhorted to borrow but also to contribute books or other items.

Rebecca Hanson, a home health worker and neighbor a few houses down from the call box, says that she just heard about the small library. "My sister has one in her neighborhood," she explains "and pointed it out to me when she was visiting." Rebecca says that she hasn't borrowed any books but has a box of 50 or so books in her garage that she would like to give away. "Maybe there's room in there for my books," she says.

While two neighbors decline to be identified for this story, families in adjacent homes appear to be comfortable with the small library structure which sits in a driveway beneath a row of towering cypresses.

In addition to the white, instructional sign of the call box, homemade signs seem to decorate the street. Across the street, August, who has been out of work



as an insulation contractor for some months, has posted signs announcing the sale of both vegetable seeds and handmade furniture. When asked about his neighbor's call box he explains that he "hadn't closely noticed it, but that the workmanship seems very skilled."

All in all, this street off of 63rd Street and near Highway 50 appears relaxed and accepting of each others outdoor eccentrici-

ties. Perhaps not surprisingly, it was the daughter of the creator of the 63rd Street call box who originated the idea of a miniature library.

According to one unidentified neighbor, she had seen a similar structure in Berkeley. From that original idea, it was only a hope and a leap for her to get dad to actually build the bright blue time machine which doubles as a small book deposit.



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