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Members of the Capital City Motorcycle Club gather in front of their historic clubhouse. The club's first meeting in this old

Capital City Motorcycle Club is significant part of Sacramento's rich motorcycling tradition

By LANCE ARMSTRONG

When it comes to presenting the history of motorcycles in Sacramento, the Capital City Motorcycle Club is a name that should certainly be recognized.

For its longevity alone, the club is a classic local institution, as this organization was Bennett, president; William Lampfounded more than a century ago.

The club's history and heritage began tenant; L.H. Cook, second lieutenant; through a bicycle club known as the Capital City Wheelmen.

The June 25, 1886 establishment of the wheelmen club was recognized three days later in the Sacramento Record-Union, as follows: "An organization to be known as the Capital City Wheelmen has been effected in this city, with the following officers: H. ort, captain; John Brenner, first lieu-

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Capital City M.C.:

C.H. Oatman, secretary and treasurer; L. Ball Hughes, bugler."

T. Ten-Bosch served as the first president of the Capital City Wheelmen, who originally met in a building at 5th and J streets.

The Capital City Wheelmen's application for its name change to the Capital City Motorcycle Club was signed in open court by Superior Court Judge Charles N. Post on June 23, 1913.

One of CCMC's first large events was held at the State Fairgrounds on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 5, 1913, as motorcyclists tested their speed in various races.

Among the scheduled participators of the event, which also included a novelty sidecar race, was the club's top rider Capt. Chester A. Scott, and professional riders, including Dudley Perkins and Freddie Walker.

Due to a strong north wind that blew dust along the track, the professional race was cancelled, as the professional racers refused to compete for a \$50 purse.

The greatest crowd pleaser of the meet was Ernie Fabian, a 14-year-old rider who won

Another popular event of the club during its early years was its endurance runs.

Among those participating in the club's endurance run on Nov. 9, 1913 were club members, Scott, William Hateley, Romauld Mello, "Dutch" Fabian, George Mc-Cormack, Charles C. White, D. Wickham, Leo McCarthy, William A. Langley and Harry Ten-Bosch.

The route began in Sacramento and continued to Jackson, then to Auburn before ending in Sacramento.

The top finishers in the event were Will Trapper, McCormack, and Langley, who owned a store at 1025 10th St. that sold bicycles and motorcycles.

Participants of the race experienced many adventures from difficult terrain and accidents to broken machinery and displays of sports-

Scott was expected to perform well in the race, but the frame of his Harley-Davidson bike broke in Placerville.

In another instance, Langley pulled Fabian out of a ditch.

Certainly among the most adventurous parts of the event occurred when certain animals were encountered along the route.

Hanley ran over a pig and killed it, McCarthy ran into a dog, Mello killed a sheep and Trapper killed a rooster.

On Jan. 6, 1914, the club elected Frank M. Woodson, president; Fred A. Pearl, vice president (and eventual multiple term CCMC president and CCW president in 1908 and 1912); Marcellus F. Trebilcox, secretary; George Mc-Cormack, treasurer; Frank J. Murray, historian; and Ben Bolt, Harry Ten-Bosch, Charles White and Clemont Brokaw, directors.

During the same meeting, the club discussed its endurance run to Fresno.

Under the latter named officials, the club worked with the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce to establish the "Safety First" campaign to better traffic conditions

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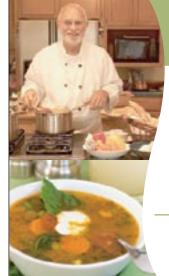
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Shown here are Kurt and Dean in Florida at the start of the Cannonball Run

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Know your neighbor:

Kurt Campbell, the motorcycle enthusiast

To Kurt Campbell, long time East Sacramento resident, riding a motorcycle is kind of a the highway or with a friend the way. riding next to him at speeds 70 miles per hour and beyond, "a lot of telepathic things take place. There's a lot of bondpart of the nature you're passing through."

In a car, it's like looking at a plasma TV screen were you have climate control and songs on a motorcycle, you "smell the campfire, you see the eagle flying overhead, you hear the water fall before you round the corner. Add that to the exhilcomplete experience!"

A rider of motorcycles for the last 50 or so years, Kurt took on a new adventure this past fall - the Cannonball Endurance Run, an event that this year included 4,000 miles of riding back and country roads on pre-1937 motorcycles from Daytona Beach, Florida to Tacoma, Washington... in 17 days.

Although Kurt rode a 1999 Harley-Davidson Road King, his role as a Roadie for Team Vino was to help get all the members of his team to the finish line.

In an interview with the East Sacramento News, Kurt spoke about the details of the Zen thing. All by himself on trip and people he met along

"Some of the early bikes that competed (ie: 1914, 1916 Indians and Harleys) were more like bicycles than motorcying. With motorcycles, you are cles. At the end of each day, it was our job to get our bikes ready for the next morning. I was part of that team. We kept four bikes on the road and all of them finished. Two of them to listen to while driving. But made it in the top 10 out of about 100 (racers)," he said.

It was a timed race with points deducted for various things, including finishing late or not finishing the day's aration of twisty roads and the event at all, or not accumulathorsepower you control – it's a ing all the days' miles. Points were totaled and awards were given at the end of the race.

But that was not the goal for most, Kurt said. "It was motorcycle trailer) so named the journey." Admittedly, Kurt said he

didn't know much about fixing antique motorcycles. "I learned a lot on the trip," he said adding that the people with this passion in the community of antique motorcycles were generous with their expertise and materials. "If we needed a part or a tool, they wouldn't sell them to us; they would give them to us."

Invited by his long-time motorcycle friend, Dean Bordigioni, who Kurt has ridden with for more than 25 years (including having ridden to the Arctic Circle together), Kurt said the purpose of the race was to "get these beautiful pieces of rolling art out of the museums and garages from around the world and put them where they are meant to be - on the roads they traveled 80 to 100 years ago."

During the trip, Kurt said Team Vino endured the typical California stereotypes as "flakes, fruits and nuts," but that they quickly surpassed the expectations of their competition. They assumed we were vegetarian, wine drinking snobs, but we kicked their butts. We'd respond, 'I thought I saw you in the School Bus of Shame, (a short school bus towing a large since its seats are reserved for those whose old motorcycles had failed the Cannonball test, at least for that day.

Many things come to mind when asked about his favorite part of the motorcycle race. "Every night after all the work was done, no one left to go watch TV. Everyone stayed in the parking lot

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Cross-country:

son. Sharon finished second

of the four women riders and

husband Scott finished third

in class and seventh overall.

Scott is an extremely success-

ful fine artist known around

daughters managing their gal-

lery, his tours and books of

his art. Scott also rode in the

Swede" as he was christened

on the trip, now lives in Dallas, with "Lady Swede." He

as an electrical engineer. One

year ago, he brought a 1931

inches, he made his bike look

side of the road and in the

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Robert Gustavsson, or "Big

2012 Cannonball.

where we set up shop, talked about the day and enjoyed excellent wine, after all, we are gars came out if it was a good day, the best wine came out if it was a great day. It was very much a campfire atmosphere' huddled around the machinery, lanterns and lights with makeshift stools, chairs and rails to lean on. One special night was Big Swede's birthday. We roadies sprung for has worked around the world pizza and beer to be delivered as a surprise. We even had cake and presents."

As far as favorite parts of the journey, the Aspens had started to turn color in Colorado, the Bonneville Salt Flats were hypnotic, and taking some "wrong" turns in Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri that each turned out to be "right" turns, after all. "Probably my favorite was our trip on Route 128, the Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway in the river canyon just outside Moab Utah. It was spectacular on so many levels. After lunch, we rode into Utah's Arches ried, he fixed it and rode it in During one of the hurricane National Park - absolutely awe-inspiring."

Introducing each member of the team, Kurt prefaced by saying the race was "ridden by passionate, caring and able enthusiasts that sacrificed much, not only financially but physically. The support from friends and family cannot be overlooked or underestimated," he said.

Dean, who rides a 1923 Harley Davidson model J and this year finished first in class and fifth overall of 105 riders, is a winemaker at his Sonoma vineyard were he has a commercial rose business and wedding event center that he runs with his wife and young family. For this year's race, Kurt said Dean researched the clothing of the early 1920s that a gentleman Harley rider might wear. "He had a complete set made including knee-high boots and was a hit when journalists were looking for interviews." Dean rode in the 2012 Cannonball that ran from New York to San Francisco.

Teammates Scott and Sharon Iacobs both rode vintage bikes, a 1926 model I and 1936 VLH Harley David-

São Paulo, Brazil added to of Chrystiano's hand, we all the team in a crucial way. asked if he was alright, did Ziggy Dee and his wife Lisa it hurt? He calmly said, "ya, drove a loaded van pulling a but I kinda liked it." With loaded trailer from San Di- his hand bandaged, the mo-Team Vino for a reason. Ci- the world for his photo-re- ego to Florida, then, worked tor was running by 2 a.m. "I alism with Sharon and two on all four bikes every night remember because the huruntil everything was pre- ricane blew our canopy away, pared for the next morning's start, then drove to the next seen again. There were flash day's destination and start- flood warnings and road cloed all over again. Lisa updated the website and blogs and took countless pictures.

The second mechanic, Chrystiano Miranda, flew in from São Paulo, Brazil for the event. His never-say-die Harley Davidson VL in spirit and his understandcrates and assembled it with ing of the internal workings of motorcycles twice his age the goal of competing in this vear's Cannonball as a memwas astounding. He knew what had to be done and did ber of Team Vino. At 6 feet, 8 it almost spiritually, as if the like a Tonka toy. On the first bikes were talking to him. day out of Florida, his bike He was part of Team Vino blew a head gasket. He text- in 2012 and showed up for ed ahead to the team that he this year's race with tattoos found a cardboard egg crate, of results of last year's race, pounded it flat to make a truly a committed and pasgasket, secured it with an old sionate guru of the motorcysock and would they please cle. When he broke his finsave him some wine. On the ger wrenching, he taped it to the next finger and finished rain, with the tools he carwhat he was working on. without losing any points. A nights, Ziggy and Chrystialegend was born and so was no had to pull an all-nightthe attitude of the team for er on Sharon's seized pisthe rest of the trip. Nothing ton. It had welded itself to the cylinder and had to be Two stellar mechanics, a reheated to break it lose. German now living in San When the red hot piece of

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Diego and the other from metal dropped into the palm needed ... before it was needed if possible. We were not allowed to trail or help our riders in any way or points would be deducted. That freed up the three of us to make our own course of back roads shadowing our riders without interfering with them." a long way away, never to be

Kurt said his group searched out and found the back roads between towns and villages. sures and the bikes had to be They ate at the smallest of dinloaded into the trailer and ers. "We sampled eight different kinds of local pies that were The team was rounded baked that morning. Road kill noticed include armadillos out by three roadies, including Kurt himself. Dean's and alligators, not an everyday brother Tom and his good site in California. We stopped friend Bruce Cooper joined at Civil War monuments, we went on an excursion to an "The three of us did whatarmy base and sat inside the ever we could, did our best to gun bay of a Black Hawk heli-

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hauled to the next stage."

stay out of the way and tried

to provide what assistance was

the adventure.



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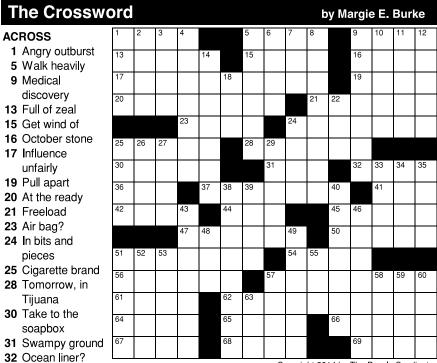
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For the past year and a half, a small, cinder block building sat vacant a block from McKinley Park and across the street from Sutter Middle School at the address of 900 Alhambra Blvd. But about two weeks ago, that structure, which for the majority of its existence housed Čycle Tune Co., was demolished.

The 30-foot by 30-foot building was a destination spot for more than 40 years for motorcyclists who sought to have their bikes fine tuned and repaired in an efficient manner at reasonable rates.

Ray Jenkins, a 1968 graduate of Grant High School, was the sole owner of the business for practically the entire duration of the business's operation, which began in 1976.

In speaking about the founding of Cycle Tune, Jenkins said, "It was a motorcycle repair place set up by a guy by the name of Richard Northam, and he was a highway patrol officer that worked graveyards. He had a family of four kids and a wife and he wanted to get into some kind of business and he liked lot of officers that had bikes. So, he was there for about six months (before Jenkins became

a partner in the business)." Jenkins explained that his road toward becoming involved with Cycle Tune began when he was 20 years old.

"I had gotten away from junior college and decided just to go to work," Jenkins said. "I tried different things, welding and working in restaurants and (other jobs), but I realized I wanted to do something I enjoyed. So, one guy brought up this idea, and said, 'There's something called the state rehab vocational department. And I go, 'What do you mean?' He goes, 'Well, you've got your handicapped arm.' And I do. I have an arm that was injured during birth. It's not fully developed and formed. So, I went down to downtown Sacramento, got an appoint- I stopped and talked to ment and saw a fellow, and he said, 'All right, I can see that you qualify because of your was a nice fellow, but I could arm. So, what would you like tell that he wasn't a mechanic. to do?' And I never had given it a great deal of thought, so I said, 'How about a brain sur- ing oil. He could do that, but

"How it worked out was (Northam, who was then riding a Honda CB 400 F) and he So, he would be like cleaning the bikes with a rag and changgeon?' And he said, 'No, the as far as like a tuneup or what-

state wouldn't pay for that.' I just said that to throw it on the table. And he goes, 'Okay, what's your other idea?' And I thought, 'I love motorcycles.' So, I said, Be a motorcycle mechanic.' And he goes, 'Áll right, then this is what we'll do. You go out and you find yourself a situation with a (motorcycle) shop and if they will hire you, we'll buy all of your tools and a tool box and we'll pay half your wages for three years."

In being motivated by the offer, Jenkins went seeking a job and eventually acquired one at a shop that sold Kawasaki motorcycles off Jefferson Boulevard in West Sacramento.

Although he was not a mechanic, Jenkins told the business's owner that he was a mechanic, thus forcing himself into a sort of "sink or swim" situation.

And Jenkins explained that he nearly sunk in his attempt to repair a Yamaha RD 250 two-stroke motorcycle with a transmission problem.

"I spent the better part of two weeks trying to get that thing together," Jenkins said. "I was about ready to quit, because I was just tired of going to work and having to face the motorcycles and there were a same machine day after day." Jenkins said that the very day

that he was heavily considering quitting his job, he put the mo- and that sort of thing." torcycle together correctly.

After about two years of working at the West Sacramento shop, Jenkins moved on to other jobs, including working at a Suzuki dealer at Broadway and Franklin Boulevard and in the repair department of A&S Motorcycle Parts at 3501 3rd Ave.

Jenkins explained that he was given the opportunity to become involved with Cycle Tune during a period of his life when he was receiving unemployment checks.

"(The situation) just kind of fell into my lap or whatever," said Jenkins, who was then riding a Bridgestone 350 motorcycle. "He needed a partner and I fit what he needed being a mechanic.



ever, he had no idea how to a week. So, we were together the adjust valves or sync carbs or better part of the year, I believe, what, you know. So, the second time Í stopped by, I was talking to him and he said, 'Be my partner. He needed somebody there that was a mechanic. He had a little bit more knowledge about the business aspect and licenses and sales tax numbers

Jenkins mentioned that his acceptance of that offer you have to learn. led to his sole ownership of the business.

"I could tell that (Northam) was just burned out," Jenkins said. "I never saw anybody that could lean standing up against a wall and take a nap. He was working eight-hour shifts at when you can pay me. So, it night in the patrol car and he's was like pretty economical (to got a family and then he's trying to run Cycle Tune for 40 hours

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"So, how he put it was, 'Ray, I know you don't have a whole lot of money, so pay me half of the inventory. He made up some kind of figure like \$5,000 or \$8,000 or whatever it was and he said, 'You can pay me

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Cycle Tune:

purchase the business) and he was more than generous. And we continued to be friends and I (would go) over and visit him and his family and we would go on motorcycle rides and things like that."

Jenkins, who spent many years playing tennis during his spare time, said that Cycle Tune was a service-only, nonsales business that would also order specific parts to meet a customer's need.

In recalling a fond memory of his business, Jenkins mentioned that he became known for purchasing a new motorcycle every other year.

"(The new bikes) worked as a business catalyst," Jenkins said. "When customers would come by (the shop), they would say, 'Oh, that's the new (Kawasaki) KZ750. I read about that in a magazine."

Although Jenkins hired various workers in the heyday of Cycle Tune in the 1970s and 1980s, he noted that he opted to work alone for the majority of the years he owned his business.

In reminiscing about the 1980s, Jenkins said that Cycle Tune would then continuously work on about 18 motorcycles at a time.

Jenkins spoke with pride about his approach to his work and his determination to provide a high level of customer service.

"I was concerned about the quality of work that went through Cycle Tune," Jenkins said. "A lot of my stuff that came to me was disenfranchised people that had been to dealers, paid a ton of money and got crap work. And so they would come looking for an alternative. So, I went out of my way to make sure (a bike) worked properly, and (its problem) was figured out. I test drove it and if there was an issue, no problem, bring it back, I'll take care of it. So, I got a pretty good reputation in Sacramento over those 40 years."

Jenkins, who began working alone in about 1985, recalled being informed about a proposal for the property that would lead to the closure of Cycle Tune.

"My landlord – and there were about four of them over 40 years – at the time, business's original proprietor.

Tessa was his gofer person. (She) was the woman that would go around and do the legwork and collect the money and rent and deal with problems and what have you. And she told me that (a sale of the property) was in the works, that an offer had been made and it looked like something that was coming up. It was an independent (buyer). I think some investors from Southern California. In other words, I knew in March, April (of 2013) that stuff was going to be happening. By May, I'm contacting AT&T to try to garner my old (business) phone number that I had for 40 years."

It was also at that time that Jenkins had a contractor working on a small shop behind his Arden area home for where he could continue working on the structure's recent demolition bikes of other people on a hobby basis.

Jenkins, who presently rides a Yamaha Majesty 400 and a 1984 Honda Trail ČT110, was completely moved out of the old Cycle Tune building by

In regard to earlier history of the corner that included the Cycle Tune building, a residential structure was built on the property in about 1921. It was originally the home of a cement worker named Édwin S. Johnston. That building, which had the address of 916 31st St. (the original name of Alhambra Boulevard), was the home of John C. Silver, a carpenter, from about 1924 to about 1925.

East Sacramento resident Theodore A. "Teddy" Kellogg operated an automobile repair shop in a building on the same site from about 1925 to about 1960. The structure was then demolished.

A building at 910 Alhambra Blvd. stood for about a quarter century, and was home to a business known as Alhambra Auto Laundry.

One of the earlier advertisements for that business, which opened in early 1945, includes the following words: "Alhambra Auto Laundry. Washing, polishing, waxing, simonizing, steam cleaning, clean radiator on car, hot tank for cleaning motors for overhaul. Free pickup and delivery service. Dial 2-6438."

Ward N. Cooper, who resided with his wife, Tessie, at 1014 E St., was the



the purpose of creating a work space The Cycle Tune Co. building at 900 Alhambra Blvd. sits behind a chain-link fence about a week prior to

Other owners of the business were Wylie B. Abney (about 1947 to about 1949); Anthony I. and Oreno J. Tonarelli (about 1949 to about 1952); Anthony I. Tonarelli, sole owner (about 1952 to about 1964); and James O. Hawkins (about 1964 to about 1966).

Wayne E. Lee was the auto laundry's owner when the business closed in about 1969.

As for the Cycle Tune building, it was originally the structure of the Rio Grande Service Station that was then owned by East Sacramento resident Virgil M. Nott from about 1939 to about 1940.

Nott sold the business to Henry C. Bangham, who sold the business to Virgil L. Overholt about a year later.

A 1942 advertisement for Overholt's Rio Grande includes the following words: "Just like new. We use an electric process for wax and simonizing. Try this modern method! Have your car simonized for winter protection. Coupes, \$6.00, sedans, \$7.50. Phone for appointment."

In mid-February 1943, the station, according to a crime report, was burglarized and three dozen spark plugs were stolen.

By 1945, Lemuel F. Young had acquired ownership of the business.

The establishment was known as Brown Bros. gas station from about 1946 to about 1948.

A Richfield Service Station operated under various owners at different times from about 1948 to about 1957, when the future Cycle Tune building became home to the Alhambra Garage.

In about 1968, after about two years of vacancy, the building had a new tenant, Luther's Garage, which was owned by East Sacramento resident Richard Luther. The business provided Citroën parts and services.

The building was once again vacant from about 1970 to about 1972, at which time arrangements were being made for the building to be demolished.

In about 1973, Leon Cenur began operating the MCS Volkswagen maintenance shop at that site.

And after another period of vacancy, the structure became home to the final pre-Cycle Tune business in the building – Yucon Delta House Boats. That business was owned by Jack Ferguson.

The recent demolition of the old Cycle Tune building represents an end of an era, as the structure was the last surviving building that had stood on the southwest corner of Alhambra Boulevard and I Street during a time when the Alhambra Theatre (present site of Safeway) and Helvetia Park (present site of Sutter Middle School) were a part of the area's attractions.

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Under the direction of Christopher Nolan, "Interstellar" stars Matthew McConaughey. In the not too distant future, McConaughey, a farmer with two kids, once an engineer, pilot, and astronaut, uses technology to bring down a drone flying over his farm.

The information he finds will lead him to set his course for adventure. This future world is plagued by great climate change devastated by famine and drought. He's recruited by NASA into action to find hope for mankind's future in the stars.

Michael Caine, a key NASA scientist, offers the discovery of a rip in the space/time continuum as a chance to look for life on a planet in another solar system.

This is indeed a most handsome production, which even at a lengthy running time of 169 minutes without intermission, offers good performances from Jessica Chastain, Matt Damon, Anne Hathaway, John Lithgow, and one of my favorite young actors of today, Casey Affleck. In small scenes, you'll see Topher Grace and

The director's choice for IMAX film shots of incredible size give you the impression of the vastness of space much better than you saw in "Gravity", and in fact I liked this so much more than that movie for many reasons.

The best part: I felt like I was a kid again with the wonder of adventurous space travel, pushing the limits of science and imagination. The "2001: A Space Odyssey" influence may be felt here, as you get a sense of the unknown and mysterious with a longing to know more. İt's a fun ride.

One of the notable aspects of this film release is the very fact that it is on film, and will be projected that way in IMAX theaters across the nation on IMAX 15 perf/70mm prints.

I found that "Interstellar's" musical score by Hans Zimmer offers a tip of the hat to the "2001: A Space Odyssey" score while remaining different than the standard action scores of today with that nasty boom crash sound that I find so detestable. This is a great way to spend time at the movies, it made science-fiction fun for me again. (Note for our readers: Matías' online review for this movie shows the inside of the Esquire IMAX theater and just how the film print is assembled and shown for these special showings on actual IMAX film: http://youtu.be/ lbUHfMYvZP4)

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The scripted tale will put a new spin on the animated TV specials many of us have watched every year for decades: 1964's stop-motion Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer, based on the song of the same title and narrated by the iconic Burl Ives; 1970's Santa Claus is Comin' to Town; 1974's The Year Without A Santa Claus, that introduces Snow Miser and Heat Miser (you may remember them as brothers... but not so, according to SGMC), and more. The message to the music: the transformative power of the Holiday Spirit!

Performances will be at 8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5; 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6; 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7; and 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 9, all at First United Methodist Church, 2199 J Street, Sacramento.

The show also will include a variety of traditional and contemporary holiday classics, including a "mash-up" arrangement of "Do You Hear What I Hear?" and "Little Drummer Boy" by acclaimed composer/arranger David Maddux.

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Cannonball Kurt:

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copter, I got stuck in the driver's seat of an Abram's tank and was helped out by four twenty year old soldiers that couldn't believe I could get in it in the first place. At the end of the day's ride, our rider's mileage was noted, usually a Harley dealerships that hosted catered buffets in our honor. They would invite all the see, hear and smell 100, 80really became quite an event unto itself. It was all appreciated, however, the hospitality pretty much revolved around pulled pork, barbecue beans and coleslaw. A couple of towns had Mexican buffets but evidently, pulled pork is a rica, Canada and from all bigger deal in the U.S. than I was aware of."

learned on the 17-day trip, that love these old machines Kurt said he learned that and the idea of keeping they "love their Lord and them on the road. love their lawns in the Bible Belt. I've never seen such a concentration of places of I envious or jealous of anyworship before.

and every hilltop. Remember, we spent our time on country roads going from small towns to smaller towns. I have to say, the lawns were impressive. Large, by any standard but theirs, the front yard acre of manicured grass rivaled any golf course fairway I've seen. With no fences, gentlemen farmers riding their green John Deer mowers maintained a parade-like, not-to-be-out-done clubs and town folk to come effort with their neighbors. Kurt also learned that pulled plus-year-old motorcycles. It pork is considered a food group

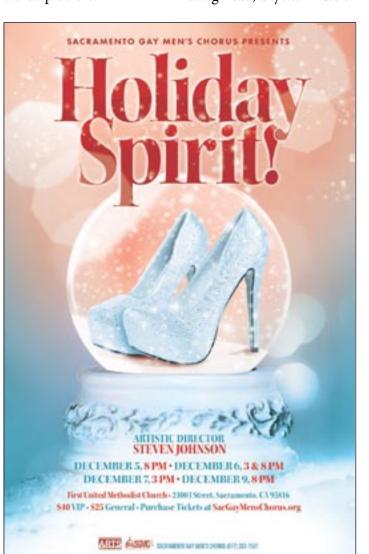
in most of the South.

"They're on every corner

Kurt learned that the Wal-Mart's you see on You Tube really do exist.

Kurt learned from the teams from Japan, Germany, Spain, Italy, South Afa strong, passionate, world-Asked by friends what he wide group of enthusiasts

> But most of all, Kurt said, "I learned that at no time was thing I saw, anyone I met or





Team Vino includes Scott, Dean, Sharon, and the "Big Swede."

anyplace that I couldn't live without ... I am a fortunate man. It confirmed my perover the U.S., that there is sonal philosophy that, 'All men die, but not all men truly live. The people I met on my adventure are truly alive." From Kurt's perspective,

the award ceremony the last night was bittersweet. "My team had done extremely well with two of our riders placing in the top 10 of over 100 riders. Everyone at that dinner was a winner and everyone at that dinner knew it would all change the next nonball Run in 2016, and ride around the Emday. It was time to go home and back to our normal lives. But what is 'normal?' to. The real question is This is the new normal, it is whether he'd do somenow a part of me and I am a thing before then. "We better person for it."



Kurt always has a big grin when riding in a river canyon

Kurt said given certain erald Isle." circumstances, he'd love talked about circumnavi-Asked if he would participate in the next Cantral Ireland, rent motorcycles girls and boys.

But before that, you can catch him as the East Sac Santa on his scooter/sleigh cruising the streets of our neighborhoods, passing out candy canes to good little



Janey Way Memories:

Returning home



By MARTY RELLES

In April 1969, I was drafted for service in the U.S. Army. Then, after five months of intensive training, and with my brother Terry already serving in Viet Nam, I received orders to report for duty in West Germany.

After a short leave, I flew out of San Francisco to Fort Dix in New Jersey, and then to Rhine – Main Air Base in Frankfurt, Germany. There, I received my permanent military assignment to the 510th Ordinance Company in Gunzburg, Germany.

I served 19 months in Gunzburg, traveling whenever I could. I remember taking one 10-day leave to Spain with my friend Jack Broadbent. We had a great time. After that, I swore that when my discharge day came in 1971, I would take a European out and continue my travels abroad.

True to my promise, I took my discharge in Europe and set off with my buddy Sergeant Jeff Lucas to see the world.

We traveled to Austria, Yugoslavia and then Italy. However, after about three months, Jeff had to return home for a job interview, so I kept touring by myself.

Eventually I met up with three Australian guys at the Laughing Whale camp ground just west of Barcelona, Spain. They were headed to Pamplona, Spain for the annual running of the bulls. That sounded like an adventure to me so off I went with the Aussies.

We ran with the bulls in Pamplona, and then took our traveling party to Torremolinos on the south west coast of Spain. However, after staying several weeks in Torremolinos, I realized that my financial resources had dwindled to a perilous level. It was time to return home. So, I wished the Aussie boy's good bye, and headed back toward Germany.

First, I hitchhiked to up the coast to Valencia and caught a bus to Barcelona. Once in Barcelona, I took a train to the Spanish/French border. There, I hitched a ride with a French couple headed home to Strasburg on the French/German border. They spoke German, so we had a nice conversation as we traveled. They were surprised at how well I spoke German. Eventually, they dropped me at a rest stop in Dijon, France. There, I stood with a sign that said, Brussels, Belgium.

Amazingly, a Dutch fellow pulled up almost immediately and offered a ride. He was headed for Holland, but promised to drop me in Brussels, at the Rue Du Dahlia, where my friend Guy Muzzi lived. Then, after an all-day ride, we pulled up to a building in Brussel's that said: Frere Muzzi Vin Distribution. That was my friends wine business. So I stepped outside of the car, thanked my Dutch friend, and walked up to the entrance to the building. Just then, a workman came out, and I asked him if I could see Guy. He told me to wait, and went back inside. Soon Guy came out, and his jaw dropped. We had met in Torremolinos where he enjoyed my company so much, he told me to stop and see him when I came back through Belgium. He was really happy to see me. He took me across the street to his flat and then returned to his work to shut down for the day.

Later, when he returned, we went out for dinner at a café owned by his friend Claude who took an immediate liking to me. He loved California: the Golden Gate Bridge, Yosemite Falls and Disneyland. We spent a wonderful evening drinking wine, playing cards and talking about my home on Janey Way.

I had made a good start on my journey home. I was in a nice place now with my friend Guy. Rhine Main Air Base in Frankfurt Germany waited – the next big step on my way home to Sacramento.





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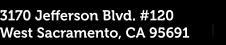
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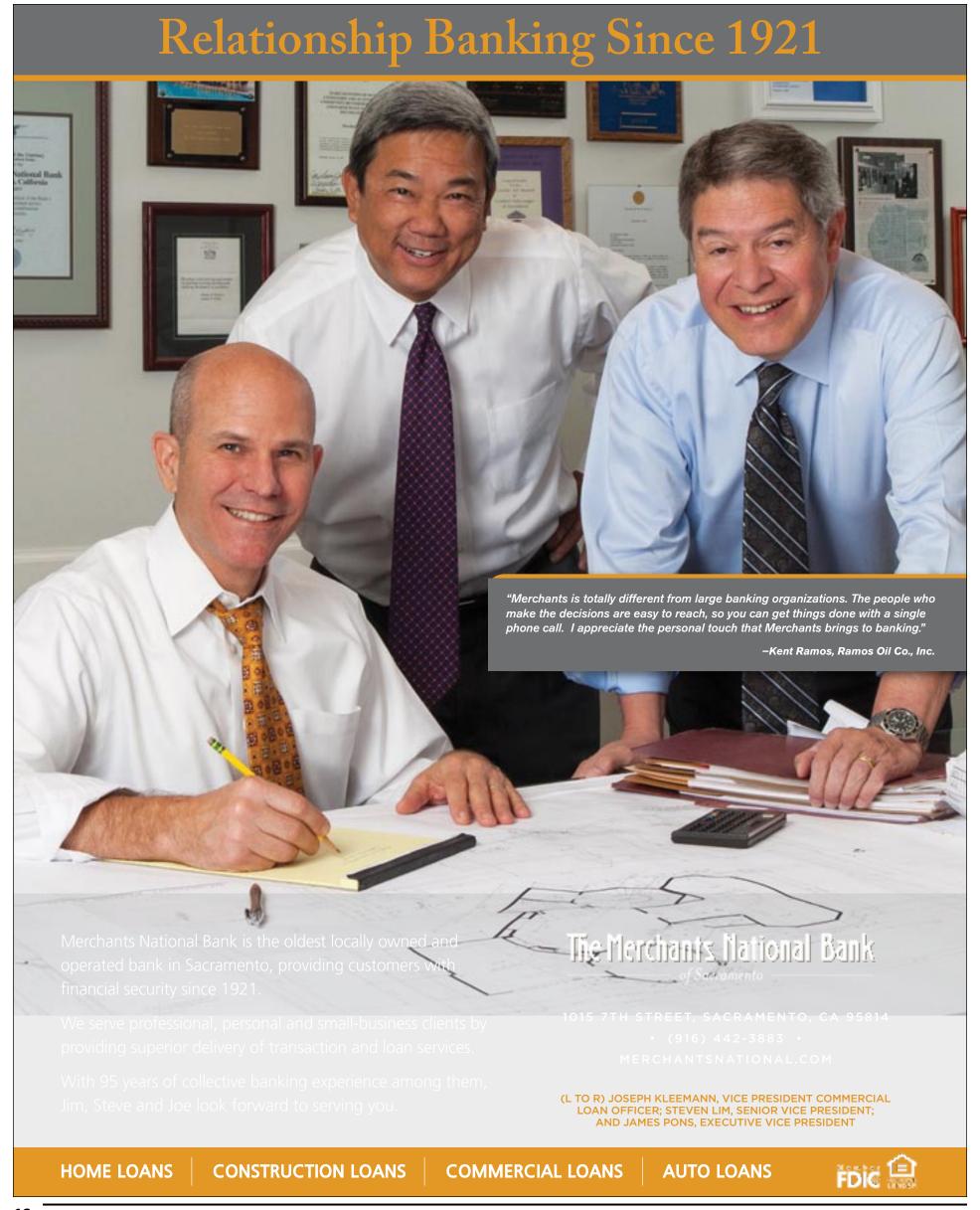


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Centennial:

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through such things as improved road signage and better numbering on the business streets.

Another one of the club's endurance races occurred in July 1922, when Finnegan Speer of San Francisco won a race from Sacramento to Reno. Finishing in second place was George L. Faulders, who resided at 2609 ½ D St.

The early popularity of the club is evident through a decision in the fall of 1926 to limit the number of its members to 60.

The officers of the club at that time were Edward F. Hannon, president; Ed Frichette, Jr., vice president; Ernest O. Fulgham, treasurer; Al Wallenberburg, secretary; and H.P. Van Dyke, road captain.

The club disbanded in about 1925, and was reactivated in 1937 with Trebilcox as president.

In the same year, local female riders, who were not yet allowed to ioin the club, founded the Sacramento Cyclettes.

Although the majority of the names of the earliest members of the club are not "household names" at the club, one name of a club member of the past that is well known by present members of the club is Armando Magri.

Fortunately, Ken Magri was available to share details about his father, Armando.

"My father joined the club in the mid-1930s," Ken said. "He used to come down from Chico for the Friday night speedway races at Hughes Stadium. He fell in love with Sacramento and moved here in 1936. Shortly after that time, he joined the CCMC and went to work at Frank J. Murray's Harley-Davidson dealership (at 815 12th St.). 'If it involves motorcycles, I'm all for it,' my father used to say."

Frank was already well established with his motorcycle business when Armando moved to the capital city.

The shop was opened in 1920 as a Harley-Davison agency that carried a wide variety of motorcycle and bicycle parts, and also serviced bicycles and motorcycles.

The shop was originally located at 508 J St., and was relocated to 815 12th St. in 1933.

Armando became the shop's new owner in 1950 and operated the business on 12th Street until 1973, when it was relocated to 1000 Arden Way.

Although Frank and Armando are deceased, lifetime CCMC member Merrill Wolhart, who joined the club in 1951, explained in a 2013 interview with Valley Community Newspapers that he maintains a direct connection to these old Harley-Davidson shops.



Members of the Capital City Motorcycle Club are shown in this 1938 photograph

"I worked for Magri for 33 years," Wolhart said. "I started as a mechanic and then I went into parts and sales, and when they built the new store, I went back in to shop for them."

Frank's connection to the current clubhouse at 2414 13th St. in the Land Park area is quite significant.

In 1940, CCMC had the clubhouse constructed with the assistance of \$4,000 that the club borrowed from Frank's sister-in-law, Irene Kaminsky.

To reimburse Kaminsky, the club held various events, including endurance runs, road runs, field meets and motorcycle polo.

But the club's largest fundraisers were short distance motorcycle races, one of which was a half-mile race in Dixon in 1946 that allowed the club to pay \$500 of its clubhouse debt.

ticipated in Delta King and Delta Queen runs, which involved members traveling aboard these river steamers with their bikes to and from San Francisco and spending a day in the "City by the Bay."

In the late 1940s, the Land Park area furthered its connection to motorcycles with the opening of the motorcycle businesses, Zollner-Durkee Servicycle Co. at 2324 Broadway and Joseph Sarkees' motorcycle dealership at 2515 Broadway. Sarkee had previously worked as a wartime mechanic at McClellan Field.

Unlike outlaw bikers depicted in various films, the club's members were considered relatively low key in their demeanor. Their favorite local hangout was Hoyt's Doughnut Shop, which was located at 1800 Broadway. Baja Boyz.

With Frank and Armando's longtime connection to the club, the club existed for many years as mainly a tainly no challenge to locate peo-Harley-Davidson club.

Today, club members are not loyal to any particular brand of motorcycle, garding the club. and they take pride in the club's inclusion of female members.

And with about 60 members and a strong commitment to conclub 30 years earlier. tinuing to add to the organization's history and heritage, the Smith, who rides a Yamaha Road Capital City Motorcycle Club remains strong today.

On June 22, 2013, the club, which was then under the direction of its and he told me about the club and president, George Keenelarsen, cel- he brought me in. I was drawn in by ebrated its 100th anniversary at its motorcycle riding and the camaraclubhouse.

The event underwent significant planning in connection with the city, Just prior to that era, the club paras as a portion of 13th Street was closed to through traffic between Broadway and X Street.

A crowd of more than 100 people assembled in and around the organization's old clubhouse, which and I came (to a meeting) by myself, is located on the west side of the and the rest is history," said Sutton, street, opposite the parking lot of who then owned a 2012 Harley-Dathe Asian Food Center and Iron vidson Dyna Switchback. Steaks (now Iron restaurant), which catered food for the gathering.

And of course, the glare of chrome club's unofficial historian, said, from the many motorbikes parked along the street and in the aforementioned parking lot was a dominant scene.

mingled with one another while dining on barbecued ribs, chicken and side dishes and listening to classic riding for quite some time and it's songs performed by the band, The really a good group of people. We're

Considering the history celebrating theme of the event, it was cerple who were interested in sharing their own personal memories re-

Celebrating his own anniversary with CCMC on that day was C.J. Smith, who then recalled joining the

"I joined (CCMC) in 1983," said Star. "I used to drive for Greyhound and there was another guy (Mick Meyers) who drove for Greyhound derie of the members."

Another CCMC member, Barbara Sutton, said that a short time after she purchased her first bike in November 2006, Troy Rowsey, owner of a local motorcycle shop, recommended that she consider joining CCMC.

"I called the treasurer (of the club)

In commenting about the club's centennial, Ralph Venturino, the "Certainly for the club members, what I heard is that they feel that it is special to be a part of something that has some history, both related During the event, attendees sat and to Sacramento and also related to the sport of motorcycling, in general. Most of the folks here have been proud of our history and heritage."

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"Stretch, Strengthen, and Thrive" at ACC:

This class is designed for the needs and abilities of active older adults, who are interested in gaining or maintaining mobility, 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. \$5 per class if pre-paid; drop-in fee is \$6. ACC Senior Services Center, 7375 Park City Dr., 393-9026 x330, www.accsv.org.

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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 stretches, body weight exercises, strength training, and active stretching. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. \$5 per class if prepaid. Pre-registration and pre-payment is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome at a rate

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den 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 Wav) left of choir room. An optional newcomer orientation occurs on Saturdays from 1 to 1:30 p.m. at Wellness Recovery Center, 9719 Lincoln Dr. Ste. 300. Also on Saturday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., there will be a topic for discussion at WRC, 9719 Lincoln Dr., Ste. 300.

Mahogany Urban Poetry Series - Queen Sheba - poetry readings

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Brain Gymnasium Exercise your mind and have some fun at this on-going Brain Gymnasium class! Inviting all seniors to Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Free port 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 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.women spirits.com or find the group on Facebook.

The Community Housing and **Services Coalition monthly meetings**

Originally created by the Sacramento Com munity Services Planning Council, the Com munity Housing Coalition (CHC) was created as a vehicle to provide information and educate community leaders and decision mak ers 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 Sac ramento Sheriff's South Area Office Community Room at 7000 65th Street, Sacramen to (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 Q&A. Speakers are selected for their expertise and knowledge in their respective fields, and agencies/organi zations. 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.

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 (J and 27th streets) or call 808-5462. Cost: Free.

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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!

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Soroptimist International of Sacramento South meetings

A service organization dedicated to insure 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.

November

Sac State annual rock auction

Nov. 21: Gemstones, garden rocks, colorful geodes, fascinating fossils and more unique gift items are up for grabs at Sac State's annual Rock Auction. More than 150 pieces in all in silent and live auctions - plus games for children, Geology is fun and beautiful! Free, 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21. in the Alumni Center. on campus, 6000 J St. Contact 278-6337 for more information

10th Annual Twelve Gals and a **Guy Craft Show**

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Friends of the Belle Cooledge Library booksale

Dec. 5-6: The Friends of the Belle Cooledge Library is having a book sale on Friday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside the Community Room. 5600 South Land Park Dr.

Dessert and Coffee with Superintendent Banda

Dec. 8: Superintendent Banda is hosting a "Dessert and Coffee" community meeting to meet parents and other stakeholders and to gather feedback on our schools at Sam Brannan Middle School (5301 Elmer Way) from 6 to 8 p.m. Free childcare and translation services will be provided.

Mission Oaks Computer Club meeting

Dec. 11: The Mission Oaks Computer Club will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. at Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Dr.. Carmichael. The meeting will include a problem-solving clinic, led by Adam Lacey of Applications, Etc. Firsttime visitors are welcome. For additional information visit www.missionoakscomput erclub.org or send an email to mocc@missionoakscomputerclub.org.

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Dec. 11: Superintendent Banda is host ing a "Dessert and Coffee" community meeting to meet parents and other stakeholders and to gather feedback on our schools at Luther Burbank High School (3500 Florin Road) from 6 to 8 p.m. Free childcare and translation services will be provided.

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The timed 5-K run will take place from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and the family fun run/walk will take place from 8:45 to 9 a.m. Awards and entertainment will follow from 9:45 to 10 a.m. Fees: 5K Run/Walk - Early Bird: \$30; Adult Registration Candy Cane Kids Fun Run is \$15.





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Theodore Judah Harvest Festival organizers call event a 'tremendous success'

"The Harvest Festival was a tremendous success this year, exceeding our expectation and being able to give even more back to the teachers to support their classrooms," said Laura Barrett and Marlene Cook in a joint statement to the East Sacramento News.

The wristbands proved popular this year, allowing for unlimited access to the carnival games. The ticket booth the day before, and the night of, was staffed by the always dedicated, Cortenie Garis. The much anticipated cake walk was bigger and better than ever thanks to all of the parent donations as well as the huge effort put out by Christina and Dylan Holcomb to acquire donations from local bakeries, create a great playlist and get a master of ceremonies. The six food trucks - NorCal Tacos, Dave's Dawgs, Miz Shirley's, Smoothie Patrol, Slightly Skewed and Home Style New Bites - were a hit, offering a wide variety of delicious food, many of them selling out of popular items.

The school was lit up by wonderful costumes, smiling faces and donated lights from Jason Lampley and the Sacramento Police Department. There were many of parent and alumni (Sutter Middle School) volunteers as well as support from several California State University, Sacramento Circle K International Club students. The campus was energized by decorative booths, a windmill loaned to us by Capitol Autism Services and beautiful signs by

"With light-up balloons, face painting, a hay maze, chili, apple bobbing, ring toss, golfing, flying Angry Birds, cotton candy, great carved pumpkins and so much more, year already!"



it was hard not to have a wonderful night. In addition, our photo booth allowed students and parents to capture the night for ongoing memories. You can check out pics at #judahharvestfest.

"We raised \$8,900, far exceeding our goal of \$5400! All of these funds go towards classroom supplies, field trips and teacher support. This year's Harvest Festival came down to the teamwork of so many people and we can't thank our sponsors enough for their additional support: Skye Foster, Gwynnae Byrd, Courtney Way, Grandma Vicki and Council member Steve Cohn. We are excited for next



Shown here are members of the Fancy Feet Dance Academy who performed at Santa's East Sac Adventure last year. Fancy Feet will be back this year for the event on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 to 2 p.m. at Theodore Judah

Santa's East Sac Adventure is Dec. 6

Kick off the holiday season and celebrate with community members at the second Santa's East Sac Adventure and Holiday Boutique Saturday, Dec. 6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Theodore Judah Elementary School in East Sacramento, 3919 McKinley Blvd.

This event is open to the public and is hosted by the Theodore Judah Elementary School PTA. Back by popular demand is a petting zoo, gingerbread house workshop and pictures with Santa. New this year is a Theodore Judah Polar Express Train Ride. Additional attractions include Fancy Feet Dance Academy, of East Sacramento, whose dancers will perform live, a string quartet playing favorite tunes and a live band filling the halls with holiday cheer. Attendees are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy to donate to the event's Gift Giving Tree. All toys will be given to the St. John's Program for Real Change.

The Holiday Boutique was a great draw last year and is the perfect venue to pick up unique wares. This year's event will host more than 40 vendors, including Koukla Kids, Stella & Dot, Poppy Clips, Little Relics Boutique, Ivivia Clothing, The Calligraphy Girl, the Girl Scouts of Phoebe Hearst Elementary and other local artisans.

"Santa's East Sac Adventure brings our community together in a festive, joyful setting," said Principal Corrie Celeste of Theodore Judah Elementary School. "It's also an important fundraiser as it provides monies for our art, music and science programs that Judah students receive weekly as part of their daily curriculum."

Rich Cazneaux of Coldwell Banker has stepped up for the second consecutive year as title sponsor of the event. Business sponsors include Sacramento Home Care Assistance and Niello FIAT. The first 100 guests will receive a free swag bag sponsored and provided by Courtney Way of Gonsalves Real Estate.

"As a parent in the neighborhood, I wanted something that was unique, close to home and bursting with the holiday spirit," said Vice President Paige Schulte of the Theodore Judah Elementary PTA and Chair of Santa's Adventure. It's also a great opportunity to engage with neighbors and local businesses, meet the parents of your children's friends – all while supporting an exceptional school."

This event is free. All inclusive wrist bands and tickets

for individual attractions are available for purchase online at www.theodorejudahpta.org or at the door. For more information, click to the official Theodore Judah Elementary School PTA website at www.theodorejudahpta.org or émail hellotjpta@gmail.com.



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