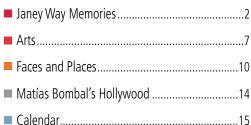
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Bv MARTY RELLES

The lush white snow that blankets the Sierra's this month provides a pleasant respite from the bare brown dirt we saw the last couple of years. It also brings back memories of the snow trips of my youth.

When I was growing up on Janey Way in the 1950s, we took at least one snow trip every year. Sometimes just our family went. Other times, we traveled with our extended family, the Relles/Petta clan.

The extended family trips usually began at Uncle Ross Relles' florist shop on 2210 J St. Early on a Sunday morning we piled into our 1957 Chevy station wagon and drove downtown. When we reached the shop, Dad got to Soda Springs. There, Jim and Tom Relles, out and walked in the front door. Soon after-who could ski, headed for the slopes. The ward, Dad, Uncle Ross, Uncle Vito and Uncle Bill strode back out the door, and the convoy began.

The parade proceeded up J Street to Interstate 80 then up the hill to the snow line, past Roseville, then Auburn and ultimately to a turnoff at a place called Cisco Grove. Plenty of eyes and a carrot for a nose. snow festooned the land there and it featured a hill perfect for tobogganing and sledding.

Out jumped our little crew: me, brothers Terry and John; cousins Tom, Jim and JoAnn Relles; the Petta family; Bob, Vic and Christine; and the Tuttle family, Pam, Tom and Tim.

We must have made quite a sight there, the gang of us, flying down the hill on our snow equipment. My dad was an excellent toboggan pilot flying us skillfully over the bumps, around the exposed tree limbs and through

the shoots. We had a ball. Soon, we were tired and wet.

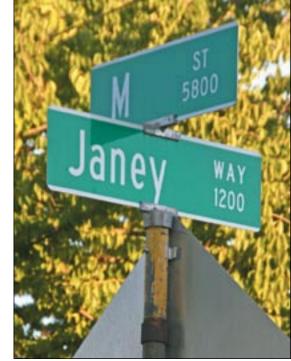
So we returned to the car for a change of clothes and picnic lunch. After lunch, the convoy usually proceeded further up the road rest of us walked out to a meadow near the road to build the annual winter snowman. We carefully piled up a bottom layer, and then shaped it into a nice round ball. Then we shaped a second layer for Frosty's head. Finally we topped it off with two rocks for

After that, a snowball fight usually commenced. We would have lots more fun during the day including more sledding and trips to the lodge for hot chocolate and a donut.

By the end of the day, exhausted and wet, we made the long trip home. Inside our car, with the heater going full blast, we soon warmed up and faded into restful sleep. It must have pleased Dad to no end to see his rambunctious boys laying there so quiet for a change.

Now, the snow trips of my youth are just another wonderful Janey Way memory.









# March for the Dream inspires locals to talk about race issues

By MONICA STARK

"Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable... Every step toward the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individu-

### —Martin Luther King Jr.

On Monday, Jan. 18, Sacramento hosted the 35th the Dream, Northern Calwho participated, Sacramen- and steady march for the cial justice is available to evto City College and Hughes dream," Starks said. eryone. I march for humani-Stadium's parking area was, of the march.

The march started at Sacramento City College some 35 years ago, so to organiz- dren of all ages. ers it has made sense for the it all began.

"We took full advantage a street named, Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.' to create a special leaders only introductory leg of the march called, 'The Extra Mile.' sometimes means that you ful day for a march." have to go the extra mile or

arm in a public show of uni- march, she said, "I march for assassinated. "Many will not ty around continuing the all who cannot. march that King and other began. 'We must learn to but don't. I march because live together as brothers and my heart knows it is the sisters or perish together as right choice; to honor Dr fools, Dr. King would com- Martin Luther King's ef-Annual Capitol March for monly say. For MLK365, forts and sacrifices. I march the King Holiday is more a for Rosa Parks who sat in ifornia's largest Martin Lu- symbolic reminder that the the front! I march for all the ther King Jr. Day celebra- true quest for civil rights Peace Warriors who serve tion. With more than 28,000 and social justice is a slow until one love. Peace and so-

Meanwhile, the Diversity. I march." in the second year in a row, ty Expo held at the Con-

the Land Park neigh-

carry an extra load in the peace pole the entire jour- won't find one of those in service of others," said Sam ney, East Sacramento res- our department." Starks, executive director ident Army Major Renée Lifelong political activof MLK365, in a press re- Marie has said in prior in- ist and march participant Al lease. The march started terviews with this publi- Rojas questioned that sentiwhen the extra mile march- cation that "peace is patri- ment, wondering how many

I march for all who can

'As the march headed the official starting location vention Center offered a north on Freeport Boulefull range of activities with vard before heading west speakers, crafts and edu- into William Land Park, cational materials for chil- some participants chanted: "No justice, no peace. The march quickly gained No racist police." A chuckmarch to circle back to where walkers as it came through le from the sidewalk was heard coming from a black borhood. Not present at Sacramento Police Departthe symbolic importance of Hughes Stadium, the John F. ment officer who provid-Kennedy and West Campus ed just his first name, Jushigh school marching bands tin. "We have zero tolerance joined in later. Seen enter- for that here in the Sacraing the downtown area, JFK mento Police Department," band teacher Jeremy Ham- Justin said. "I thought that Like Dr. King, leadership mond said it was a "beauti- was funny, but it's true. No one wants to work around a Carrying about a 6-foot racist police officer and you

ers arrived at Sacramento otic." To that end, Renée black or people of color are der," he wrote. At the march, City College. has brought peace poles to employed by the police and Rojas said he would have 'The Extra Mile is about schools around the world fire departments. On his liked to have seen more of a teachers, pastors, law en- from Afghanistan to our Facebook page he wrote discussion regarding educaforcement, political, civ- local, Theodore Judah El- about Dr. King's fight for tion and the reasons behind ic and other leaders coming ementary School. Asked justice against racism and MLK Jr.'s fight. "They are together to walk arm-in- why she participated in the bigotry and for that he was issues prevalent today," he want to talk about his mur-

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# **Newish East Sacramento** brewery continues to expand its offerings

By MONICA STARK

ny hit 57th Street with a nearby Hot City Pizza and it was packed" - an added by after school, and on the food truck thing, but that relaxing atmosphere.

The story behind the venue began with a dream coupled with a bit of frustration. Sick of working in around with a bit of creative the IT world, Dan Murphy needed a change and his wife Elle, a senior ana- vance these Pizza and Pint lyst for the Woodland Police Department, supported brewery's Facebook page. him all the way.

but business is booming.

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Last August, Twelve der food from across-the- guys — Free. We tried that Rounds Brewing Compa- street Evan's Kitchen or the following Monday and peaceful, family-friend- have it delivered to them bonus to the Murphys' staff ly place for neighbors and at the brewery. On weekfriends to kick back and en- ends when the wait time joy a pint, or two. A great for seating at Evan's is an addition to Sacramento, hour-plus long, folks pop during the week, folks come into Twelve Rounds and in after work and Sacra- wait until their table is mento State students stop available. "We tried the weekends, people enjoy the doesn't always work out. are so close," Dan said.

slow Mondays have turned food offerings: Free Hot City Pizza. Scheduled in ad-

"Mondays have been typ-This brewery quest the ically slow for us. My wife Murphys started took them and I saw her family in Bay three years, about twice as Area, and stopped at (Fairlong as initially planned, field-based) Heretic (Brewing Company). It was on a

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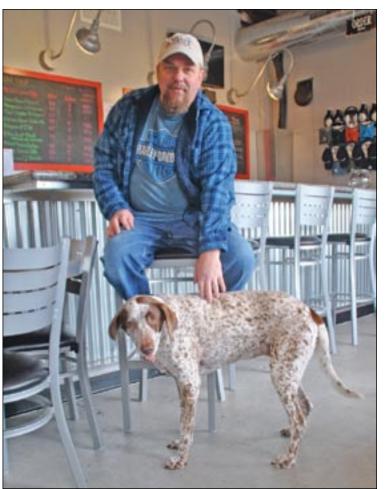
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A kitchen is part of the Monday and he had a lot plan at Twelve Rounds, of people. He was grilling but for now customers or- brats. He said this is for you who rely on tips.

And, so they decided to try again, and again. About "nine or 10 times" they've offered free pizza. Dan orders about 15 large ones "at cost" from Hot Čity and gives the pizza away for free. We can't sell the food, but It's nice these neighbors we can give food away. People like it; we like it. Some What typically have been of the college kids buy one beer. I don't care."

A family affair, Dan's nephew Steven and girlfriend Andrea run the front of the house, and sev-UC Davis graduates and are teachers who also work for at Twelve Rounds. "We be coming out soon. haven't hired anyone we lot of piece of mind."

Rounds pays homage to "drink beer, snow ski, wafamily, in this case Dan's ter ski and drink a lot of dad, Daniel J. Murphy Jr. beer" and because of those Portland and really enjoyed who now suffers from de- first and last reasons, they the barrel-age style. "They're mentia. A skinny kid grow- thought it would be cheaping up in Oakland, the elder er to make their own than says. "They had a really cool Murphy was a boxer and his to buy it. They got one place with a u-shape bar, a son, the brewer, got into a of those mail order juice small cook counter. Fantastic lot of fights himself. "That's cans, followed the direc- beer. We joked we could do how we got the whole box- tions and ended up with this. In 2011-12, we decided ing thing. Most of our beers two cases of each a light we really wanted to do it." try to have a boxing theme and dark beer. "It wasn't in the name," Dan said. Be- too hard. We did it more ies beat them to the punch, cause of his admiration throughout the years." for his father, Dan said he wanted to do something for Dan's experimenting had his hero. There's the Down come with some fun times in Goes Pilsner, a play on the kitchen. It was 2008, and "Down goes Frazier!" (the historic call by Howard Co- house in Woodland, but it sell when George Foreman had been about a year since dethroned Joe Frazier as he made any beer. "I startheavyweight champion in ed making beer with (Elle). 1973); Haymaker Hefwei- It was a hefeweizen. It ferzen, Brawler Barley Wine, mented so bad." There were Mystery house. There were Golden Gloves Golden no explosions but Dan said Ale, Uppercut IPA, Knock- he had to repaint the walls out Stout, East Portal Por- and have a carpet cleaner would drop six or seven ter, Round 1, which was come in. "My wife quickly feet. There were rooms with introduced last year; this got me out of the kitchen



Dan Murphy and English Pointer Sophie come to work at Twelve Rounds many

Round 2; a Scottish Ale In 2008-09, Dan upgradcalled Sneaky Pete (which nights are promoted on the eral of their friends are boasts a 10 percent alcohol content though you'd never know it). A triple IPA will

Dan's first brewing days don't know. That gives us a began up in the mounlot of piece of mind." tains. Living in Truck-Even the name Twelve ee he and a buddy would

Fast forward a few years; sues with contractors and the Murphys just bought a year they'll come out with and into the garage."

ed to a 20-gallon pilot system. "That was a lot of fun. We had big parties and barbecues. Sometimes I'd do a double-brew day. A lot of people liked the beer. Everybody said you should sell the beer." Within the next year, the Murphys visited breweries and found Hair of the Dog Brewing Company in not your average pale ale," he

As other microbrewer-Twelve Rounds ran into isbuilding permits, delaying the opening of their business. But, fortunately for the Murphys, the building owner gave them free rent for a while.

A prior antique consignment, Dan described the place prior to renovations. "It was like the Winchester plywood stairs, a ceiling that was 9 feet high, then

## Brewerv:

little doors. It was painted, orange, pink, blue. It was horrible. There was con-

four walls, roof and floor.

mercial brewing was taught cited to see us over here." to him by none other than the guy who practically in- every drink has been fanvented the West Coast IPA, tastic. Explains Dan: "We bers everything he reads."

The timing was serendipitous. Cramlet, the brew- him. I call him a brewmaster. master at Rubicon for close myself a brewer. I need to log to 25 years, like Dan, was some more years before I can ready for a new adventure. call myself a brewmaster." Looking to leave a man- Fortunately for East Sacagement role at the Rube, ramento and for Scott he's Scott approached the Mur- created a taproom that will phys at the beginning of afford him a fighting chance

looking to change scenery.
"I was at a point I was looking for something new and to make a change, luckily at the same time Dan was | ing of young black men. looking for help to run the duit with wires all over the place. He had the vision and places." With the greenlight dream. And I came with the Association of Social Workfrom the owner to gut the experience to help us pull it ers "because our country facbuilding, everything was re- off. What's cool about this es a serious challenge of ramoved except the outside place is being a newer brewery we have a lot of flexi-Around that time, the bility to come up with new Murphys made the Pock- stuff, some new and excitet their home and Dan was ing beers. We can do small | tin Luther King Jr.'s beloved making about 15 batches of batches and experimenbeer at a time, about 450 tal stuff. A nice thing is the fewer than he makes now. neighborhood we are in. A The learning curve of com- lot of the customers are ex-

And since their first batch, Scott Cramlet. "When talk- haven't had to dump anying to Scott, he is the smart- thing yet. All the beers are est I ever met. He remem- pretty solid, pretty clear. I got to give all that (credit) to Scott. I take direction from

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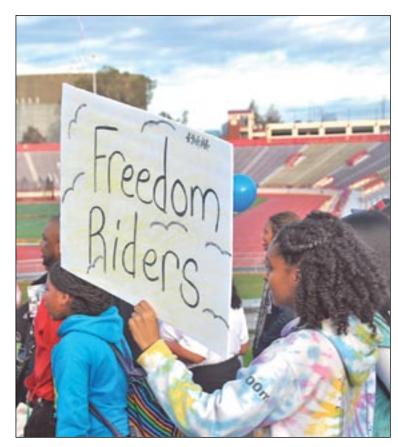
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said, mentioning the shoot-

Sacramentan Alicia Dienst marched with the National cial injustice and as a white person I have a responsibility to meet and overcome it, to show up and help create Marcommunity."

During the start of the march, one of the participants named Curtis Smith released drone quadcopter, (a Phantom 3 Professional Video) and told the Land Park News that he had about six minutes of video of the march and festivities at Sacramento City College.



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## Local students gear up for Sacramento County History Day

Sacramento County History Day will be held on Saturday, March 5 at Inderkum High School and will feature works from about 300 schools countywide. Many St. Francis involved each year. Currently, organizers are looking for judges for the various school projects.

Cash prizes range from move onto the state com-

Promoting the event, Dr. Bob LaPerriere, curator of the Sierra Sacramento Valley Museum of Medical History in East Sacramento, said this event makes history more interesting to the students. "It gets them more interested in histo-



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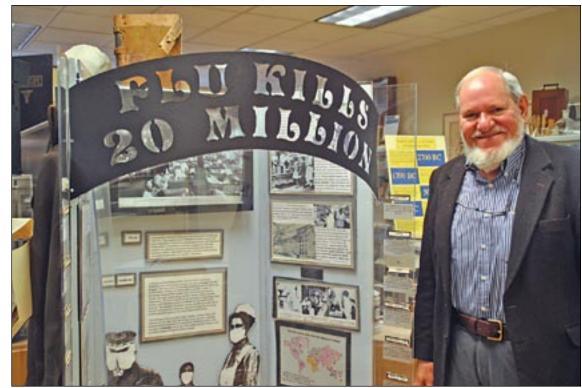
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ry than in class when what they learn is not too relevant about what they are thinking about, things they are interested in."

This year's theme is "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange in History", a theme broad enough to encourage the investigation of topics High School students are ranging from local to world history and across any geographic area of time period, argues Adrienne Harkness, contest manager and Lynne M. O'Hara, director of pro-\$25 to \$100 and some will grams for National History Day. In a joint descrippetition, which will be tion, promoting the event held in Rocklin, May 5, 6, to teachers and students, they write: "Consider this theme an invitation to look across time, space and geography to find examples in history of when people took a risk and made a change. You can begin brainstorming for possible topics by thinking about subjects you are interested in, whether it is science, sports, art, travel, culture or even specific people." Four examples they provided are: Encountering a New Religion: Spanish Catholic Missionaries in the Americas; al award. "We have an ex-World War II War Brides: hibit from 10-12 years ago The Exchange of Cultures; that won national award.



Dr. Bob LaPerriere, curator of the Sierra Sacramento Valley Museum of Medical History in East Sacramento, stands in front of

what he calls the "gold standard" in History Day displays. This student-made display is a fixture at the museum.

Thirty Years War and Roanoke: When Exploration, Encounter, and Exchange Went Terribly Wrong.

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Elk Grove have moved on. gold standard in my mind for exhibits. I never saw one that came close because of the way it's done; there's a large lot of photographs. It's impressive looking at it. It has an 85-page bibliography of research and a DVD where they were interviewing people whose family that had gone through the epidemic."

One of this year's participants, Henry Ankhel-yi of Vista del Lago High School, said his favorite part of History Day is learning about different historical events, groups and individuals which have an impact a group project website this on our lives even to this day. "For example, my group's topic for this year's History Day, Exchanges of the Fur Trade and American Capitalism, focused on fur trading companies as an aspect and Mrs. Hillesland. of capitalism. We discov-

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Exchange that Ended the 1918 and the students from ered a fur trading company founded in 1797 called the One is in medical school at XY Company. The compa-UC Davis. (The display) is a ny still remains after a complex and troubled history to this day and now makes hand crafted canoe paddles. I found that the small discoveries like this were my favorite parts of History Day," Ankhelyi said.

When he was in the seventh grade, Ankhelyi did his History Day project on the steam engine and its impact on society today. "I explored how it revolutionized people's lives when it was introduced, and the kinds of reaction and reform it induced as a result of its introduction." Ankhelyi is doing year with friends on the fur trade topic. Regarding support from his school about history day, he said he has had a lot of support from Mrs. Lawson, Mrs. Baquero

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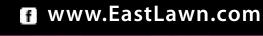
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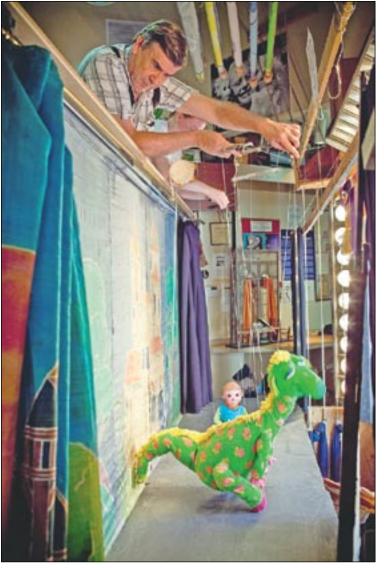
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Tales of Br'er Rabbit with Magical Moonshine Theater @ Rancho Cordova

Friday, Feb. 12 from 4 to 5 p.m.

Program-palooza @ Fair Oaks Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Celebrate Black History Month with Puppet Company's Anansi the Spider in

Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

Program-palooza at Fair Oaks Wednesday, Feb. 17 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Puppet Show: Zomo the Trickster Rabbit with Luce Puppets at Elk Grove public

Wednesday, Feb. 24 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15

"Zomo the Trickster Rabbit" Puppet Show - Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven

Thursday, Feb. 25 from 11 to 11:35 a.m.

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Hundreds of people celebrated the start of the Year of the Monkey on Saturday, Jan. 30 at Hiram Johnson High School. Presented by Chinese New Year Culture Association, the event featured a dragon dance, martial arts, cultural entertainment, food vendors, arts and crafts, community organization exhibits, and children's games.

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Friends of the Riverbanks is going on a mushroom hunt, and like always, the public is invited. The group's favorite fungi expert, Ryan LaPorte, has agreed to lead another walk to look for mushrooms and other fungi on Saturday, Feb 13 at 11 a.m. For the last few years, fungi have been few and far between at Sutter's Landing, but this year thanks to El Niño—the group is looking forward to much more. Come and learn more about this rich group and their importance in ecosystems and in our lives.

Want to be part of the "in group"? Want to help plan the 2016 FORB calendar? Have some ideas for a walk? Want to help make these monthly gatherings great? We're ex- and stay tuned for details. panding the group that organizes FORB activities. Join us at 1 pm on Saturday, Jan 30 at 301 27th St. There's a great treat in store for Saturday, March 12 for an event called to greet the river. FORB was Foraging for Food, Chef Kevin O'Connor will take kids and beavers, cormorants, kingadults on a foraging walk to fisher, kestrel, red shouldered identify food and medicinals at hawk, geese and crow.



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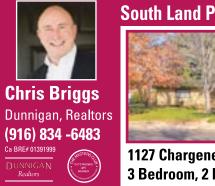
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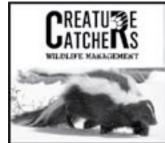
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# **New Sutter therapy dog** brings joy to children in the hospital

Penny loves to play with tennis balls and when she's not visiting patients, she's not very happy. After all, visiting patients is what she was trained to do.

A party, dubbed "Penny-palooza," was thrown for the newest member of Sutter Children's Center, Sacramento's Child Life team, a four-legged Labrador/golden cross named Penny, the facility's second working facility dog.

Penny is two years old and started at the children's center in November. She joins Marty, who has worked in the children's center for almost two years.

Several children visited the playroom during Penny-palooza to welcome Penny to the Sutter family, decorate dog bone-shaped cookies and work on puppy-themed crafts.

Penny works four days a week, visiting patients and their families, bringing joy to all with her calm demeanor and willingness to cuddle at the bedside for endless amounts of time.



"Children light up when they see Marty and Penny walking down the hall or coming into their room," said Child Life Specialist Sara Anderson, Penny's handler. "We hear squeals and laughter. You'see children who may not be having a very good day light up when the dogs



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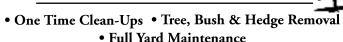
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# **Matias Bombal's Hollywood**

The Finest Hours

The MPAA has rated this PG-13

Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures offers their visualization of a real historical event with "The Finest Hours," the story of a dramatic rescue at sea in the most difficult of conditions. Thrilling and realistic, it's based on Michael J. Tougiis and Casey Sherman's book of the same name. It has nothing to do with the Columbia Pictures release of 1964 about Winston Churchill with exactly the same title.

This is the harrowing true story of an oil tanker that split in half during one of the worst recorded East Coast storms which battered New England in February of 1952, and the brave Coast Guard men that risked their lives in a very small craft through and over seventy foot-high waves to rescue the surviving tanker crew of 30 sailors. Intercutting between the story on the remaining floating portion of the tanker's stern and the men at the Coast Guard station, this movie shows the remarkable possibility of human spirit.

On board of the T-2 tanker SS Pendleton the men without a captain had been lost on the forward part of the ship. They are torn about what to do: Escape by lifeboat or stav on board?

The tanker's chief engineer, Ray Sybert, played by Casey Affleck, tries to bring reason to a moment of terror by organizing the men at the stern of the ship and suggests manually controlling the rudder in order to run the ship aground onto a sand bar. While these sailors fear their last moments are at hand, the Coast Guard is on the way.

But not in force.

Remarkably, not far away up the coast a second oil tanker also has been split by the weather in the mous for being the month of the year tors to watch. I think he will only rough seas. Many Coast Guard men and the largest craft in the region had been sent out on that distress call before the closer disaster of the SS Pendleton had been discovered. With less than a handful of men and a small motor lifeboat, the timid yet resolute Bernie Webber, played by Chris Pine, risks all to find the SS Pendleton, while pelted by the worst conditions in

reach the men in distress, without compass, having barely survived the giant waves crashing on a giant underwater sandbar from multiple directions.

Director Craig Gillespie has crafted an excellent and thoroughly en- in which his performance was rivtertaining movie that I feel is one of eting. As the silent but strong chief the strongest January releases in re- engineer of the SS Pendleton, Af-



when most major studios dump the worst movies in their release slate, here is something you will find excellent entertainment.

Nice touches, too. We are reminded of the era of this event when the cook on board the SS Pendleton, Tiny Meyers (Abraham Benrubi), sings "Sit Down, You're Rockin' the Boat" from the Broadway production of "Guys and Dolls" whilst a fect movie to see on the big screen. work in the galley. The movie ver-They remain determined to sion of "Guys and Dolls" did not come out until 1955. Chris Pine is the movie Carol, has written an apexcellent as Webber, but this movie really belongs to Casey Affleck. I first was really impressed by Affleck as an actor in a dismal movie of 2013 called "Out of the Furnace"

cent memory. In a month that is fa-fleck remains one of my favorite accontinue to impress us with outstanding work.

Also propelling movie is the concurrent story of Chris Pine's love interest, played by lovely Holliday Grainger. She turns in a winsome performance as the girl that will get her man to marry her in April, come hell or high water. Above the bar for January release, this is a per-Carter Burwell, nominated this year for an Oscar for his work on propriate musical score. I was thoroughly entertained by "The Finest Hours". You'll want to stay through the credits on this one, as you are shown comparative photos of the actors and the real life men that they played in the film as well as real images of the actual event.

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### The Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society (STJS) monthly music event

Every second Sunday of the month, STJS has music at the Elks Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd., from noon to 5 p.m. Each month STIS has a different bands, there is three different rooms to listen to music. Nominal fee for members is \$8; non-member price is \$10.

### Nar-Anon meeting for families and friends

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### Widow persons monthly buffet and social

Widowed Persons Association of California Newcomers' Buffet and Social is open to any and all widows and widowers, the third Mon day of each month at 5:30 p.m. The buffet will be held in the private dining room at the Plaza Hof Brau, corner of El Camino and Watt Avenue, cost varies as the choice is from a nohost buffet menu. There is no charge to attend the social other than the meal chosen. For more information, call 916 972-9722. Widowed Persons Association of California, Sunday Support, is open to any and all widows or widowers, every Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. in the meeting room of the WPAC office, 2628 El Camino Avenue, Ste. D-18. Enter from the back parking lot. For more information, call 916 972-9722. Saturday, Nov. 7, Widowed Persons Association of California Workshop, "Coping with the Holidays," 2 to 4 p.m., the doors open at 1:30 p.m.. A second session will be held Tuesday, Dec. 1, from 7 to 9 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m. The workshops will take place at 2628 El Camino Ave., Ste. D-18. Enter from the back parking lot. For more information or to register, call 972-9722.

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### SCNA's 2nd Annual Sing N' Serve Crab Feed

Feb. 5: Organized by the Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association, SCNA's Sing n' Serve Crab Feed is designed to create a new and exciting way to experience a crab feed, all while raising funds that proliferate the arts in the community. Crab will be sourced from more northern waters to ensure an experience that is safe and to the standards of the California Department of Health and the California Department of Fish and Game. Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus will be joining us again this year and provide entertain

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# Feb. 6: Saint Mary's at Giovanni Hall, 58th

and M streets. Doors open 6 p.m., dinner is at 7 p.m. It's all you can eat crab and there will be a silent and live auction and dessert auction for \$50. Advanced ticket sales only call 427-6751. Email sisacramentosouth@ soroptimist.net... Presented by Soroptimis International Sacramento South. Funds raised at this event are directed to individuals and projects making a difference for women and children in Sacramento County.

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### **Traditional Jazz Youth Band Festival**

Feb. 6: Sacramento State hosts the annua Traditional Jazz Youth Band Festival, an allday event dedicated to performance and teach ing of traditional jazz for school, club and independent bands. The combo performances run 8 a.m.-6 p.m. in Capistrano Hall on campus, 6000 J St. At 7 p.m., renowned trombone and trumpet player Wycliffe Gordon headlines a closing concert. The public is invited all day. Tickets are \$12 at the door, free for students with ID. Contact: 278-5191.

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from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Most of the more than iseums will offer free admission whereas two destinations located in residential areas - the Sacramento Zoo and Fairytale Town will offer half-priced admission to offset park ing and traffic control costs. In addition to offering free or reduced cost admission, many of the destinations are offering special activities during Sacramento Museum Day.

A sampling of the special activities include The Aerospace Museum of California will

offer a special "open cockpit" day where most aircraft will be open for viewing (weather permitting), a children's art contest and onsite exhibitors such as the Tuskegee Airmen; The California Automobile Museum will demonstrate how to make an 1850's small stationary steam engine run using compressed air (note that the Museum displays several early steam-powered automobiles in its collection), plus a hands-on stamping activity for kids that includes a small prize at the end: The Masonic Service Bureau will be on-site at the Powerhouse Science Center Discovery Campus providing free electronic fingerprints of children for their parents plus the Sacramento Public Library will have a

booth and prize wheel on-site, and there

will even be drop-in visits by local mascots;

The Sacramento History Museum will offer their always-popular gold panning activities for kids outside in front of the Museum; The crowd-favorite Sacramento Children's Museum will present a lively "task party" where guests randomly draw and perform fur tasks such as convincing other guests to "jam" with them for five minutes, draw portraits of strangers (with crayons) or even handing out awards for silly things like Best Eyebrows; The Old Sacramento Schoolhouse Muse um will serve cake and provide short lessons by interesting teachers to celebrate the anniversary of Sacramento's first public school in

February 1854; Sojourner Truth African American Museum will host a Crocker Art Museum "Block By Block" talent search (from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.) plus children will be able to make and take home a Sojourner Truth tile piece: Verge Center for the Arts will offer a Free Kids Clay Open Studio from 1 to 5 p.m. where children will receive basic instruction to play and create with clay.

The event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. but note the last guests will be admitted at 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.sacmuseums.org, or call the Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau at

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