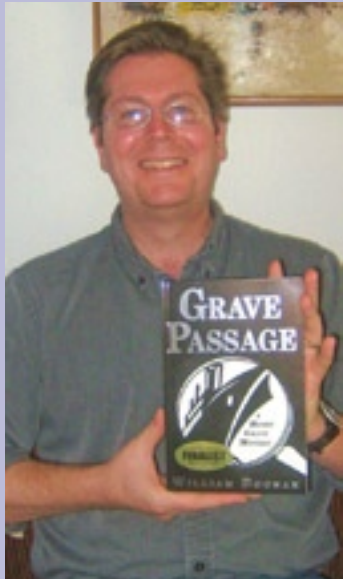


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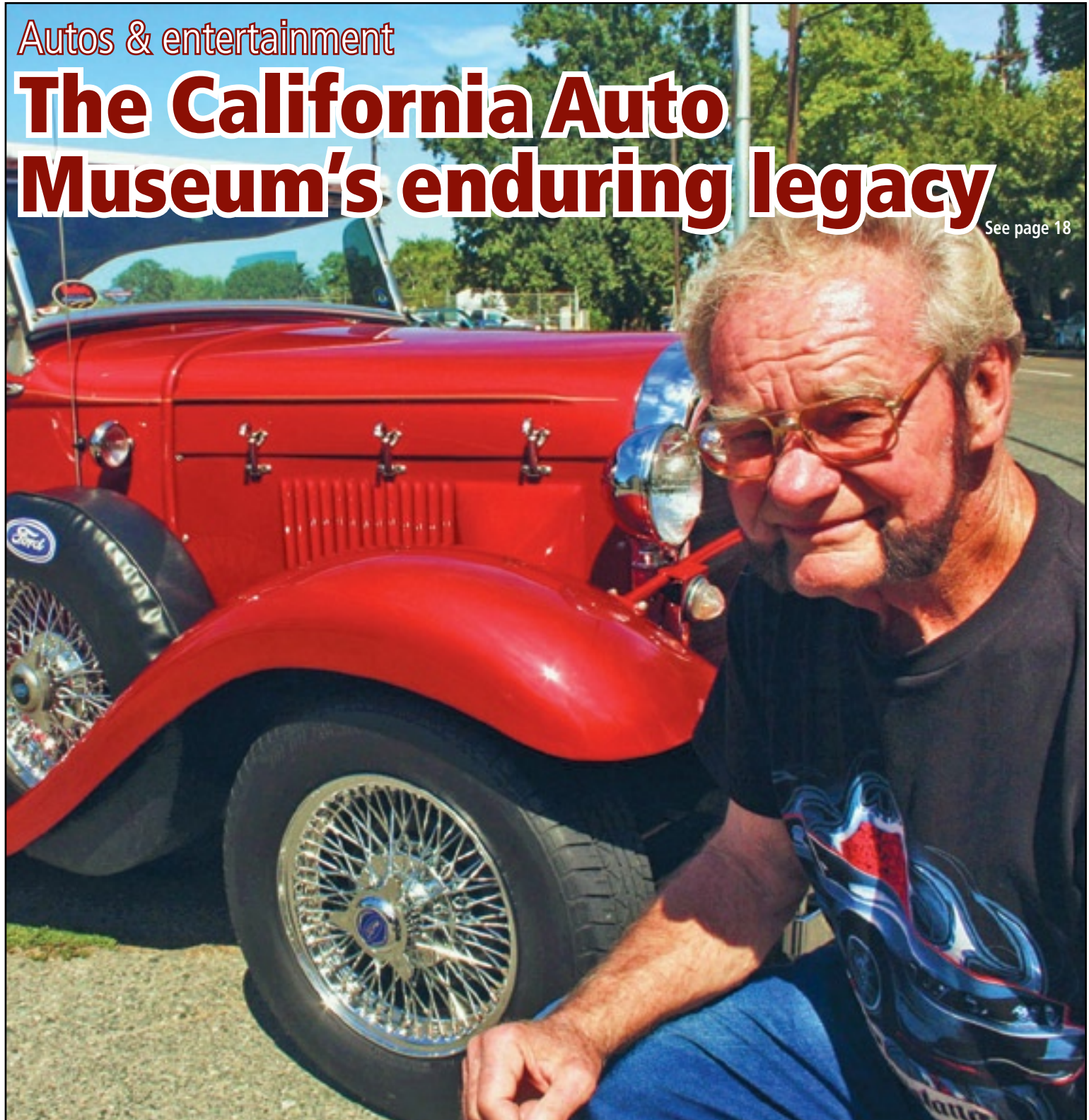


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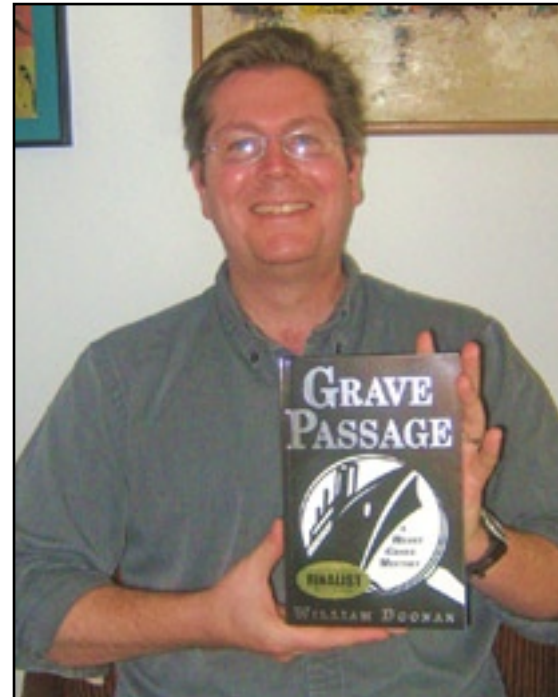
By ART GERMAN  
Land Park News writer

Sacramento City College archeology professor William Doonan may soon be moving into the authorship niche currently occupied by the likes of such suspense and mystery-novel superstars as Agatha Christie, Dashiell Hammett and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Doonan, a 45-year-old Land Park resident, recently published his first novel, "Grave Passage," and it has just won a finalist ranking in the Indie Excellence Book Awards, a kind of "Oscar" for new and promising authors.

"Grave Passage" is the first of what promises to be a continuing series of mysteries by Doonan to mark the fictional adventures of 84-year-old Henry Grave, who is described in the book as "a veteran of World War II, during which he survived a harrowing period as a prisoner of the Nazis."

Doonan said he's already completed a second novel, "Mediterranean Grave." This book is due to be released around the end of the



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Land Park resident and Sacramento City College professor William Doonan is the author of "Grave Passage" – an award-winning adventure-suspense novel. It is the first in a series of soon-to-be-published works.

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# 'Grave Passage' the first in a series of adventure-suspense novels

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year by the publisher, Glencannon Press of Palo Alto. A third novel is already planned for 2011.

Protagonist Henry Grave relates his story in the first person. Early in the book, he reveals that he's an investigator for the Association of Cruising Vessel Operators, a Washington-based organization that doesn't exist in real life. In real life, cruise ship crimes are customarily handled by the ship's security staff, according to author Doonan.

As the book unfolds, following the discovery of the body of an FBI agent with a colorful past slain on the deck of a cruise ship – the Contessa Voyager – in the midst of a Caribbean cruise, Grave is surreptitiously dispatched to the scene.

On board the cruise ship, Grave blends easily with one and all as a fun-loving passenger, with his true identity known only to the ship's top brass. Meanwhile, he has a great time with the other passengers, flirting with

the ladies, attending parties and various special events, and keeping pace effortlessly with everyone he meets, often drink for drink at the bar.

All the while, Grave's 84-year-old mind remains fully alert to deal with his mission to solve a sinister shipboard murder and bring the perpetrator to justice while the majority of passengers have no idea what he's really trying to accomplish. For an octogenarian, he comes off as a truly amazing social and professional wizard who seemingly can almost always tell what's true and what's not.

Author Doonan had no trouble creating an interesting cast of shipboard men and women who enrich the mystery of just who committed the crime and why. The cast of characters and would-be suspects includes a Russian cosmonaut, members of the Mafia, and a South American political fugitive, among others. All challenge Grave's mind by seeming to have logical motives for murder, but

the hero remains equal to the task until the very end to get to the bottom of every mental challenge.

Author Doonan explained that his idea for the Grave series seemed to develop naturally from his own background and interest in writing, along with insights into life on cruise liners. He indicated that basing the series on a cruise liner could work out very well for the current and future books.

"I've always dabbled in writing," said Doonan, who majored in archeology at Brown University in Rhode Island and received his PhD at Tulane University in Louisiana before joining the archeology teaching staff at Sacramento City College in 1998. Since arriving, he has married, and he and wife Carmen now have two sons ages three and four.

Two years after arriving in Sacramento, Doonan began spending several weeks of each summer vacation as a guest lecturer on cruises, mostly discussing his research with ancient civilizations in the Ca-

ribbean. These summer stints gave Doonan insights into what life is like aboard cruise ships, including the reality of how crew members do their jobs and how they interact with their co-workers and passengers. He also developed a though knowledge of what it is like in the below-decks areas where the crew members live when off-duty.

Doonan feels this background experience at sea has contributed to a high mea-

sure of cruising-life reality in his book. All told, Doonan figures he's been a guest lecturer on 14 cruises over the past decade.

As for his own future, Doonan hopes it will include many more opportunities to add new episodes to the Henry Grave odyssey. And who knows? Someday, perhaps, Henry Graves may be right up there with Sam Spade, Miss Marple and Sherlock Holmes.



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# Reunion committee seeking McClatchy High alums from Class of '70

By SUSAN LAIRD  
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Hard as it might be to believe, it has been 40 years since members of the C.K. McClatchy Class of 1970 graduated. The class' reunion committee is actively seeking all class members, who are invited to gather and celebrate on Oct. 16. It promises to be a very groovy happening.

The reunion bash will coincide with Homecoming Day at McClatchy High. Activities will include a neighborhood parade, school tour and homecoming football game – all before the reunion celebration at Paragary's Bar & Oven, located at 1401 28th Street (corner of 28th and N streets) in Sacramento.

The evening menu will include hors d'oeuvres, pizza, a variety of salads, meat and pasta dishes, side dishes and desserts. Paragary's will be closed to the pub-

lic the evening of the reunion. Friends and other classes are invited, but there will be no unregistered admission at the door. The fun begins at 6 p.m.

Alumni are encouraged to dress casual. Be sure to bring cameras, photos of kids and grandkids and your address book (paper or digital) for updating classmate information. If you wish, bring your yearbook and compare notes with your classmates to see if your horoscope actually came true. (It was the Age of Aquarius, after all).

To register for the Class of 1970 40-year Reunion, send a check for \$55 per person (payable to McClatchy Class of '70) to C.K. McClatchy 1970 Reunion Committee, c/o Gary Grayson, P.O. Box 1407, Loomis, CA 95650. Include your name, address, phone number and email, maiden name and guest names. If you wish to tour the school, include an additional \$5 per person.



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The Senior Class Council of the C.K. McClatchy High School Class of 1970 is seeking all members of their graduating class to celebrate 40 groovy years since graduation. Top row, left to right, Tom Steinbrenner, Doug Gedestad, Gerry Ulm, Steve Warren, Carol Simmons, Jocie Holkko, Joanne Franusich, Keith Tocherterman. Second row, Shirley Booth, Jill Watanabe, Chris Patino, Debbie Tucker, Debbie Thornton, Julie Wilcox, Bruce Muramoto, Jackie Calvin, Karen Deiwert, Mr. Robert Heinitz. First row, Linda Donato, Debbie Dotters, Marion McCurdy, Jeanie O'Leary, Debbie Nakatomi, Kathy Akiyama, Eve Downey, Joanne Oto, Randall Ishida, Linda Melvin, Sharon Booth.

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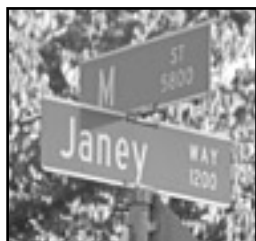
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## Janey Way Memories



### An excellent education from the nuns of St. Mary's



By **MARTY RELLES**  
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St. Mary's School opened for business in September of 1955. Initially, it included grades one through four, with plans to eventually provide education through the eighth grade.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish had built the new school from the ground up on the corner of 58th and N streets, so everything about the school was new: the classrooms, the desks, the blackboards, the text books, the world globes standing at the front of the classrooms and the teachers.

The school opened with four new teachers, all nuns from New York City. When they arrived in Sacramento in August, they must have felt like they had landed square in the pit of hell as temperatures that year hovered around the century mark for most of the month. But, despite the weather, the nuns worked hard that month to prepare for the first day of school, and so on the day after Labor Day, classes began on schedule.

Since I started the fourth grade that year, my teacher was Mother Carmela, the sister superior (principal) of the school. She remained my teacher through the eighth grade – a stroke of good fortune for me. To this day, I refer to her as the best teacher I ever had.

Mother Carmela was a tough and demanding, but fair teacher. In a day when temporal punishment was still tolerated at private schools, the good mother handed out a fair amount of slaps to misbehaving students. I admit to taking my turn to receive a slap from Mother Carmela, but to this day, I plead innocence.

Aside from her harsh method of disciplining students, Mother Carmela was just an excellent teacher. In addition to reading, writing and arithmetic, we learned religion, history, geography and science – not art at St. Mary's school.

We learned how to diagram and write complete sentences, construct coherent paragraphs and present effective essays. In geography, we learned of the wondrous places in the world like the Coliseum in Rome, the Alhambra Palace in Granada, Spain and the Great Pyramids at Giza in Egypt. I am not sure Mother Carmela ever saw any of these places, but her descriptions of them were so compelling that I made a point of visiting all of them in my lifetime.

By the time I graduated from St. Mary's School, I had written a term paper complete with footnotes, participated in a class musical production and learned ballroom dancing. The nuns wanted all of us to be well-rounded young adults. To a student, I think we all agree they succeeded.

Like me, many of the students who began classes at St. Mary's School that September of 1955 went on to graduate from a university. All of the children who attended the school received a first class education no matter what they accomplished later in life. Though I don't know how St. Mary's School stacked up against all the other schools in Sacramento at the time, I believe it must have been at the very top. The fact that this school continues operations today, 55 years after it first opened for business, is a testament to the quality of education it has delivered to its students.

Sadly, the nuns no longer teach at St. Mary's. In time, they have given way to lay teachers. I am certain that Mother Carmela passed away years ago after a long successful career as a teacher and principal at St. Mary's. Every time I drive by the old school, I think of the good mother and the wonderful education she gave me: yet another inspirational Janey Way memory.

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# Karate kid's journey to green belt begins with 100 acts of kindness

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Kristoffer Brown is by all accounts a perfectly normal nine year old boy. He does homework, quarrels with his big sister and goes on vacations with his family. But this isn't a story about what makes him ordinary, but rather what makes him extraordinary.

Fourteen months ago, Kristoffer began taking karate at Zen Martial Arts in Sacramento. Five months ago, he completed his orange belt test by sparring and showing comprehension of a 400 year old fighting style. That in itself is a great accomplishment, but it pales in comparison to what he is undertaking on his way to the green belt.

In order for the children to take their green belt exam, they first must complete a community service project. It can be one of the child's choosing, or if a little inspiration is needed, instructor Mike Oliver can help with the brainstorming process. Kristoffer looked to his instructor for help, and together they came up with something truly revolutionary; Kristoffer would set out on a quest to do 100 acts of kindness.

He is the first to accept this challenge, and he started with a bang. He chose 10 acts of kindness to do by himself then asked family members to do 10 acts of their own and report back with what they chose to do. According to Oliver, the acts can range from very small to very big. Kristoffer chose to do things like sweep the driveway for his



Photo courtesy of Chris Piper Photography  
Kristoffer Brown's pursuit of a green belt in karate has resulted in a personal project involving 100 acts of kindness. The project was successful beyond his dreams. To date, his project log shows more than 242 acts of kindness performed for others around the globe.

dad and fix an overturned potted plant for a neighbor. Before long, he was done with his list. Little did he know that his project would spread all over Sacramento.

By Aug. 31, Kristoffer and associates had demolished the goal of 100 acts of kind-

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# Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church has local roots dating back to 19th century

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The Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church, a church with roots dating back to the 19th century in the capital city, will be holding its 40th annual Asian Food and Cultural Bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 2.

## Rich in flavor, tradition

The event, which begins at 11 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m., will feature a variety of Asian food cooked on site such as teriyaki chicken, sesame chicken, udon, Korean short ribs, kahlua pork, chow mein, sushi, and manju (Japanese confections).

Additionally, the event will include children's games and free entertainment, including performances by the ukulele group, ACC Pocket Pickers, Sacramento Taiko, guitarist Mark McLean, and the hula group, the Ohana Dance Group.

Guests of the bazaar will also have the opportunity to purchase nursery items and handmade crafts created by the church's Boutique Committee.

The bazaar is undoubtedly one of the church's richest traditions, since the church, which is located at 6929 Franklin Blvd., was founded in June 1968 and the bazaar was first held in 1970.

But as previously mentioned, the church has roots dating back to the 19th century, thus in many ways, it is much older than the 42 years

that it has operated on Franklin Boulevard.

## A tale of two churches

The formation of the Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church occurred as a result of a merger between the Pioneer Methodist Church of Sacramento and the Florin Japanese Methodist Church.

Pioneer Methodist Church The older of these two churches is the Pioneer Methodist Church, which according to the book, "A Centennial Legacy: History of the Japanese Christian Missions in North America," was the third oldest Japanese Methodist church in the United States.

The roots of the Pioneer Methodist Church, which was originally known as the Japanese Methodist Church of Sacramento, date back to about 1891, when ministers from the Japanese Methodist Church in San Francisco traveled by riverboats to Sacramento, where they conducted worship services and roadside preaching for local Japanese residents.

The congregation gathered in a house at 510 L St. with its first appointed minister, the Rev. Sotohichi Kihara, in February 1892.

The following year, under the direction of Superintendent Harris, the church was formally organized.

According to an historic, translated record of the church, which at the time was referred to as the Japanese Methodist Mission, its members began meeting at 903 D St. in December 1893.

In 1895, the church relocated to 310 M St., where it remained until 1908.

The church held its services at 417 P St. for the following decade and in 1918 moved to its longtime site at 331 O St. A new church building was dedicated at the O Street site on March 4, 1951.

In 1954, the former Japanese Methodist Church of Sacramento was renamed Pioneer Methodist Church.

## Florin Japanese Methodist Church

Although it was not as old as the Pioneer church, the Florin Japanese Methodist Church had a long history of its own.

The history of this Florin church began in 1913, when Dr. H.B. Johnson worked with Japanese community leaders to establish Christian work and a Japanese language school in the town of Florin.

In 1915, the Florin church's first appointed minister, the Rev. Raiichi Minabe, was appointed and a two-story building was designated for the church and school.

The following year, a sanctuary was constructed for the Florin church, which began



Land Park News photo/Lance Armstrong  
The Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church at 6929 Franklin Blvd. in south Sacramento will be the site of an Asian food and cultural bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 2.

with seven members and seven children. A multi-purpose hall was added in 1927.

Despite the Japanese internment as a result of Executive Order 9066 in 1942, both churches resumed their operations in 1945.

These churches continued their services and other activities for the following two decades.

## WWII internment contributed to merger

In the 1960s, efforts to merge this pair of churches began, as the Pioneer church was being

forced to relocate due to city redevelopment and the Florin church's membership numbers had dwindled.

Tom Kushi, who was born in Florin in 1924 and graduated from Elk Grove High School in 1942, three days prior to the internment, said that a contributing factor to the Florin church's attendance woes was due to the internment.

"Most of the membership didn't come back to Florin (following the internment)," said Tom, who was raised on his father Shonosuke Kushi's

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By MARILYN VAN LÖBEN SELS  
Land Park News columnist

Every high school senior knows that fall is college application season, a topic of great interest and importance for students and parents since most applications must be submitted between November 30 and January 1.

As students make their college lists, they must be aware that colleges and universities have different kinds of applications – and still others have

applications that are unique only to them. The California State Universities and University of California systems have separate applications, and now over 400 schools use the Common Application (Common App).

The CSU, UC, and Common Apps work basically the same way – students complete one application and then indicate the campuses to which they will apply. The completed form then travels to a processing center, which forwards

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lege and university is different.

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# St. Francis High School celebrates 70 years of women's education

By **SUSAN LAIRD**  
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Over 100 alumnae gathered at St. Francis of Assisi Parish to celebrate the 70th anniversary of St. Francis High School in Sacramento on Sept. 10.

The Mass and celebration were held on a Friday during school hours, so alumnae from the all-girls high school graduating decades of the '40s, '50s and '60s could more easily attend.

It was an appropriate setting, since the high school was founded on the third floor of the St. Francis Elementary School at 2500 K Street in 1940. That year, the school expanded its educational program to include its first ninth grade class. The first class was just 12 young women, who then transferred to St. Joseph's School, which was located at 8th and J streets. Students went on to graduate from Bishop Armstrong High School.

It was the girls who began their freshman year in 1941 became the first graduating class of St. Francis High School in 1945.

"We had 39 girls in our class," reminisced Marie Terribile Donnelly, who graduated in 1949. "We used to say 'Thirty-nine in '49.'"

"And *that* was the largest class ever," laughed Dorothy Lavelle Massa, who also graduated in 1949.

### Continuous growth

The school continued to grow, bit by bit.

During the post-World War II Baby Boom years, there was a need for more high schools in the Sacramento area. Bishop Armstrong became the school for the upperclassmen from St. Francis, St. Joseph and Christian Brothers high schools. Each junior high school maintained its own ninth and tenth grades. Bishop Armstrong High School was a co-ed school. The faculty there consisted of Christian Brothers, Sisters of Mercy, the Sisters of St. Francis, diocesan clergy and dedicated lay men and women.

"We were lucky to have Mr. Anton Dorndorf as our music teacher," Donnelly said. "He was also the church choir director."

In 1964, the Christian Brothers purchased Bishop Armstrong High to create a four-year boys' high school. (Christian Brothers would remain an all-male high school until 1990, with the closure of Bishop Manogue High School).

St. Francis High School was moved to the old gravel pit site located at 6051 M Street. There were 520 students in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades. The ninth graders remained at St. Francis Elementary for one more year. Alumnae from those days remembered "eating from the same canteen truck that came by to feed the workers who were building the school."

Soon the M Street facility was completed. The Sisters of Notre Dame and the Franciscan Sisters served on the campus until 1975, when they were no



Photo courtesy of St. Francis High School

St. Francis students of yesteryear learned, in addition to their regular studies, home arts such as sewing by hand, social graces to "sit like a lady" and office skills such as typing.

longer able to staff the school. Bishop Alden J. Bell appointed the Sisters of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to help staff the school. They served until 1999.

The M Street campus would serve young women in the Sacramento community until 2006, when the facility was expanded. The expansion included relocating the campus entrance to 5900 Elvas Avenue, a new performing arts

center, a new gymnasium and a state-of-the-art science wing.

Today, St. Francis High School's enrollment stands at 1,145 – which is a full capacity enrollment.

### Curriculum changes

As the needs of students and the culture have changed, so too has the curricu-

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# Japanese church: Asian food, cultural bazaar to be held at local Japanese church Oct. 2

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farm at Stockton Boulevard and Gerber Road.

Tom said that less than a dozen former Florin church members are living today.

Among these former members is Sam Kashiwagi, who was raised on Stockton Boulevard, along the former Highway 99, about a mile south of Florin Road.

Kashiwagi said that the Florin church originally met in a structure at Florin and Pritchard roads – across the street from today's Buddhist Church of Florin – that was connected to a parsonage. He added that a community hall was built on the site about 10 or 15 years later and by about 1958, a new parsonage was built just south of the hall.

Efforts to locate a home for a new church ended when the Merwin Memorial United Methodist Church at 6929 Franklin Blvd. dispersed and the Merwin church's four acres of property and its small building was obtained by the Pioneer and Florin churches for \$1, plus the payment of the Merwin church's debts.

The acquisition of the Merwin church and property was aided by a recommendation by Merwin church pioneer members, Eugene and Marion Drown.

Bill Taketa, who managed the Bank of America at 1515 Broadway and served as the church's treasurer, said that a considerably large cost of the new church was the addition of a \$20,000 parking lot.

## The Japanese United Methodist Church

The merger, which occurred in June 1968, allowed the Pioneer and Florin churches to officially meet together as the Japanese United Methodist Church.

Initially, the then-new church met in the sanctuary within the site's small building, but through the assistance of many of its members who helped to lower costs, a new sanctuary and multi-purpose social hall was completed in 1970 at a cost of \$250,000.

Roy Sato was among the members who helped lower the cost of the project, as he provided free heating and air conditioning labor.

Charles Kobayashi, a member of the church's history committee and a former member of the Pioneer church, said that the preservation of the church's history is an important endeavor, which includes a current project to translate about 12 volumes of handwritten Pioneer church journals. The journals were written from about 1892 to about 1940.

The church's pastor, the Rev. Motoe Yamada, who was born and raised in Tokyo, Japan, was the daughter of a Buddhist monk and became a Christian in the 1990s, said that it is important to remember the church's history and its early members.

"I think it's wonderful that we have such a rich history," said Yamada, who attended the University of Toledo in Ohio. "We don't want to forget that, because of the Isseis and what they went through and their experiences



Photo courtesy of SJUMC

Sunday school class members gather outside the Japanese Methodist Church of Sacramento at 331 O St. in 1936.

coming over all the way from Japan and being Christians and of course, second generation (Japanese) born here who experienced internment camps. Now we have third, fourth, fifth generation (Japanese) and we are becoming more mixed. I always want to make sure we learn from the history, so we will never forget how faithful those first and second generation (Japanese church members) were and the legacy they have."

In honor of the Issei Japanese, church members created a memorial garden between the old Merwin building and the 1970 structure. Last year, a fountain was placed within the garden, which is cared for by a church group, known as the "Garden Angels." The "Angels" are led by Ed Kubo and Bob Sasaki.

Yamada said that in appreciation of members of the former Merwin church, a special ceremony will be held at the recently renovated Merwin sanctuary on Sunday, Nov. 7 at about 11:45

a.m., following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the larger sanctuary.

Yamada emphasized that in addition to the importance of remembering the roots of the church and its early members, it is also important to stress that despite its name, the Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church is very much a multicultural church.

"We are becoming more and more multicultural," Yamada said. "We have a Japanese-speaking ministry, but almost everything is done in English. And regardless of a person's age, race, gender or ethnic background, everyone is invited."

And like the church's Sunday services, the community is also invited to attend the Asian Food and Cultural Bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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# St. Francis: Early curricula taught typing, home arts and 'how to sit like a lady'

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ulum at St. Francis High School. Alumnae recall being taught by nuns or the occasional lay faculty member. They were provided instruction in such basics as sewing (by hand, since no sewing machines were available) and the "proper way to sit as a lady." Typing was introduced by Sister Geraldine and Sister Peter, who also directed the annual school play.

Today's students, in contrast, have a wide spectrum of options open to them. Young women at St. Francis High School participate in a rigorous college preparatory program that includes the opportunity to pursue additional studies in robotics, international diplomacy, speech and debate, moot court and mock trial and more. There are also national and international service projects that students can participate in during the summer months. The St. Francis Troubadours – named thus after their founding saint, who composed ballads to God – dominate on the sports field as well as in the fine and performing arts.

## The Spirit of St. Francis

If there is one tie that binds every generation of St. Francis High School alumnae together, it is what they refer to as "the Spirit of St. Francis." It is a powerful sense of community.

"It's a camaraderie," said Barbara LeDoux, who graduated in 1966. "It is

the ability to connect with each other and feel like we have known each other all our lives."

"It's all about school spirit and sisterhood," said Victoria Elorduy, Class of 1965. "You can hear the walls talking."

"I feel as if we're all 15 again and in our uniforms," said Karyn Wendt, also from the Class of '65. "How much tradition there is... We had big sisters who showed us the way our freshman year, the uniforms. I'm grateful for the friendships."

"You want to see your friends," said Mary Doval, Class of 1966. "It's a big family reunion."

"This spirit is alive and continues to bloom in every St. Francis student, even after all these years," said Marion Bishop, president of St. Francis High School, in her remarks to the alumnae. "This spirit shined in those first dozen graduates, just as it radiated in the 262 graduates of the Class of 2010 – the largest class ever."

"Spirit is the single-most identified quality that students mention during their stay here, and that seniors comment on as 'the best characteristic of St. Francis High' during their exit interviews," Bishop continued. "Your lingering spirit is palpable when you enter the campus, and it continues to inspire young women to join the St. Francis ranks. And it flows beyond the walls of

the campus into every community on the globe where St. Francis alums find their homes."

## Enduring legacy

Today, St. Francis High School continues on as a four-year, all-female college preparatory high school. It is the only Catholic high school in Sacramento affiliated with the Diocese of Sacramento. It serves young women from over 50 private and public feeder schools. Students come from the counties of Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado, Placer and Solano. It is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA).

The legacy of the school is much more than an academic one, according to alumnae, staff and students. The program for the celebration reflected this, stating "The legacy of St. Francis High School is one of spirit-filled community and educational excellence; of athletic merit and artistic accomplishment; of peace and goodness (Pax et Bonum). At St. Francis, young women integrate their faith, knowledge and experience of community to become effective Christian witnesses in our global society. This special mission makes St. Francis much more than the leading college preparatory school for young women in the Sacra-

mento region. St. Francis graduates understand that they can make a difference in today's world – and make it."

Today's students are appreciative of this legacy they have received and are committed to blazing a trail for others to follow.

"It's an accomplishment to last this long," said Haley Damele, a senior "Troubie." "We thrive at everything, whether it's academics or athletics."

"I'm glad I'm a Troubadour," said Hannah Vice, a senior Troubie who plans to go on to major in business communications and law. "Looking back at all the hard work and dedication I've put in will pay off big time into my future. Those who went before set the pace with high expectations. So it really raised my expectations of myself."

"These ladies are a gift to the Sacramento community," Bishop said of the St. Francis alumnae. In her remarks, she said "Many, many things have changed during these past 70 years – way too many to enumerate. Many memories have been initiated at St. Francis High School. In each of them, a glistening light shines: (a) wonderful, faithful and bright spirit.

"The Spirit of St. Francis – your spirit – has burned steadily for seven decades," Bishop said. "And I am certain it will continue for seven more."



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# Five awarded Eagle Scout rank over the summer

By SUSAN LAIRD  
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An Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held at Elks Lodge No. 6 on Aug. 29. The following young men were presented with their Eagle Scout award: Andrew Fong, Mason Kassis, Hyun Cheol Kim, Randall Plant, Andrew Shirley, and Michael Signorotti.

Each Scout completed an individual Eagle Project and participated in numerous school and community activities.

Fong dismantled a large set of bleachers at the Park Terrace Swimming and Tennis Club and refurbished and rebuilt them at C.K. McClatchy High School's pool. During the process, he made repairs and improvements. The two bleachers now provide poolside seating for spectators during water polo and swimming events.

Kassis worked with Safely Out, a project of Citizen Voice, to distribute emergency evacuation kits to 250 low income, senior residents at the Natomas Apartment Complex. He held an information session and a reception for the seniors.

Kim's Eagle Project involved re-painting multiple parking lots at the Ark Mission Church of Carmichael. This project involved a lot of detailed cleaning of the old asphalt and removal of cracked paint before new paint could be applied.

In addition to repainting the parking lots, Kim also added designated parking for buses.

Plant's Eagle project involved organizing the planting of 27 trees at Fire Stations 21 and 23 in Citrus Heights. He worked with the Sacramento Tree Foundation and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District to select trees that would lower the energy costs of the buildings by providing shade, as well as trees that would screen unsightly training yards and equipment areas from the rest of the neighborhood. He coordinated the donation of the trees, mulch and volunteer help to plant the trees.

Shirley's project was to build a garden in front of Sam Brannan Middle School. This involved breakup and removal of a large slab of concrete before an improved sprinkler system could be installed and trees and flowers could be planted. The area was then mulched with woodchips.

Signorotti's Eagle project was the re-landscaping of the 440 square foot patio at St. Anthony's Parish. He removed 26 cubic yards of river rock and replaced 25 cubic yards of top soil. He planned new landscaping and an irrigation system. Signorotti organized some 40 volunteers to complete the project, contributing approximately 240 total volunteer hours.

According to the Boy Scouts of America's website, the fact that a



Photo courtesy of Craig Fong  
New Eagle Scouts. These young men received their Eagle Scout award on Aug. 29. Left to right, Andrew Fong, Randall Plant, Andrew Shirley, Mason Kassis, Hyun Cheol Kim and Michael Signorotti.

boy is an Eagle Scout has always carried a special significance not only in Scouting, but also as he enters higher education, business or industry, and community service. The award is a performance-based achievement in which standards have been well-maintained over the years.

Not every boy who joins a Boy Scout troop earns the Eagle Scout rank; only

about five percent of all Boy Scouts do so. The goals of Scouting – citizenship training, character development, and personal fitness – remain important for all Scouts, whether or not they attain the Eagle Scout rank.

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# Land Park's Masullo offers unique, tasty pizzas with Neapolitan flair

By SUSAN LAIRD  
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One of the restaurant gems in Land Park is a little "hole in the wall" place – a Neapolitan pizzeria called Masullo. Located on Riverside Boulevard, just across from the historic Masonic cemetery, this local restaurant is building a reputation for quality food, served quickly and with fresh, local ingredients.

Owner/chef Robert Masullo opened the restaurant in June of 2008. The building is from the late 1940s, and Robert chose to go with a "mid-century modern" design palate of concrete, steel and wood "to jive with the era of the building." All the wood on the one-of-a-kind tables is from one tree in Sacramento.

"I opened (the pizzeria) because it's just something I like," Robert said. "My family took a vacation to Italy in 1987. I was amazed at how something I thought I knew – pizza – could be so incredibly different."

## Vive la differenza

American pizza is often heavy, with thick sauces, heavy toppings and baked in a commercial oven. Authentic Neapolitan pizza is baked in a wood-fired oven, has a thin crust, light sauces and fresh toppings that can include goat cheese, prosciutto and more.

The authentic taste of Italy begins with the dough for each pizza pie, according to Robert.

"The dough is mixed two days in advance and is refrigerated," he said. "The longer and slower the ferment of the yeast is, the more the naturally occurring enzymes have time to develop and that's where the good flavors come from."

Pizzas are made to serve one person, and come in two varieties: with tomato sauce and without. Whether you are a tomato sauce lover or not, there is something for everyone on the menu.

For the traditionalist, there is the "American" (\$12) which features tomato sauce, mozzarella cheese and pepperoni.

For those who want to try something a bit more adventurous (and delicious), try the "Kathryn" (\$13), which features tomato sauce, Fontina cheese, Noman Ranch ham, red Fresno chili peppers and Crimini mushrooms. The "Jacqueline" (\$14) is served without tomato sauce, and features potatoes, Fontina cheese, Niman Ranch bacon and oregano.

Meat lovers should enjoy Masullo's "3Meat" pizza (\$15), which features tomato sauce, mozzarella, Bellwether Farms ricotta cheese, Fra'Mani Toscano salame, sausage and Mortadella mushrooms.

All of the pizzas and salads at Masullo use award-winning Frate Sole extra virgin olive oil. This olive oil is



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Masullo's "Maddy" pizza (\$14) features farm fresh goodness, with mozzarella and ricotta cheeses, roasted bell peppers, zucchini and fresh tomatoes. The restaurant is now open for both lunch and dinner.

estate grown, hand-harvested and cold-pressed in Woodland. It is a delightful dipping accompaniment to the pizza for an extra \$2.

Everything at Masullo is fresh, local and organic whenever possible. Pizzas bake quickly in the brick oven and are served promptly to hungry guests. A lunch menu has just been added to the regular dinner menu. It will feature soups, salads, sandwiches and a select group of pizzas.

"We strive to keep things straight-forward and simple, not complicated," Robert said. "Our focus is on quality."

Masullo is located at 2711 Riverside Boulevard in Sacramento. Limited parking is available, it is often best to park "around the corner." Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday; 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturday; and closed, Sunday. For more information, call (916) 443-8929.

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# California Automobile Museum to celebrate its history Oct. 3

By LANCE ARMSTRONG  
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It has been more than a quarter century since a museum opened along Front Street, just north of Broadway, for the purpose of honoring automobile history. And now having a long history of its own, the museum

is inviting the public to celebrate this history on Oct. 3, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Dick Ryder, one of the founders of this museum, which is known as the California Automobile Museum, said that the event will be held in celebration of the earliest efforts to create an automobile museum in Sacramento.

## Autos and entertainment

"Efforts to form an automobile museum began on Saturday, Oct. 2, 1982 and resulted in the opening of the museum on May 1, 1987," Ryder said. "The movement began with a meeting attended by 12 Sacramento auto enthusiasts at the old Del Prado restaurant (at 5500 Stockton Blvd.). The meeting resulted in a series of monthly Saturday breakfast programs. These programs brought car-related personalities and entertainment. One of the programs included the Archers, Ed and Karen, who provided 1920s Dixieland, Charleston music and dancing. Ed and Karen will be back, 28 years later (at the Founders Day celebration), performing their dance routines again."

## California Vehicle Foundation

Ryder, 81, said that Monday, Oct. 4, 1982 was also a special day in the history of the museum, as the California Vehicle Foundation was created and efforts were begun to apply for charitable foundation status through the IRS.

Subsequently, every Monday for the following several years, a core meeting was held as a planning session.

Looking back on these meetings, Ryder said that although these gatherings were



Land Park News photo/Lance Armstrong  
Dick Ryder, one of the founders of the California Automobile Museum, shows off his 1934 Pierce-Arrow Deluxe Eight Sedan, which is on display at the museum.

effective toward meeting goals, sometimes the meetings were attended by as few as two people.

For those who were involved in the early efforts to create a local automobile museum, a myriad of dreams were envisioned.

With the creation of a newsletter and the expression of some of these ideas, interest was shown toward bringing some of these dreams to reality.

## Enter Edward Towe

During this period, some of this information reached Deer Lodge, Mont. resident Edward Towe, who had accumulated the world's largest collection of a single make of car, which includ-

ed every year and model of Ford automobiles from 1903 to 1953.

Towe corresponded with Ryder in October 1985 and expressed interest in moving Towe's collection out of Montana.

Ryder said that a 71,000-square-foot building on Front Street in Sacramento was among the places where Towe would consider moving his collection. The building was originally used as a grocery warehouse and later a tire warehouse, then lastly a storage facility for used restaurant equipment.

"After an exchange of trips between Deer Lodge and Sacramento, an agreement was

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# Auto museum: Automobiles and entertainment keep displays fresh, current

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drawn to bring the collection to Sacramento," Ryder said. "We interested Bill Hadley of Hadley Automotive Transport in bringing the collection to Sacramento. Hadley provided 13 transporters and his personnel to bring approximately 100 cars from Deer Lodge to Sacramento."

The cars arrived at the new museum on Front Street in late September 1986.

This event led to the opening of the museum eight months later.

## Founders' Day

Now almost 30 years after efforts began to bring an auto museum to Sacramento, the museum has established its first Founders' Day – an event that may become an annual event at the museum.

Today, the California Automobile Museum, which was originally known as the Towe Ford Museum and later the Towe Auto Museum, is no longer recognized as a Ford museum, but instead displays a diverse range of automobiles such as a 1911 Pierce-Arrow, a Lamborghini and several alternative fuel vehicles.

One of the most notable automobiles at the museum is a 1933 Lincoln KB, which was once owned by Amadeo Peter Giannini, the founder of Bank of America.

During the Depression, Giannini used the car for his \$200,000 advertising campaign. Traveling throughout California, he made it his mission to boost people's spirits by listening to their needs and determining how his bank could assist in meeting these needs.

## Sharing the stories

Sharing histories like the story of Giannini is an important part of the museum's efforts as an educational facility, explained Bob Daloia, a docent at the museum.

"There are stories with all these things that people can learn and I think it's fascinating," Daloia said. "Most car museums display the car as art, but we present it as history. Our docents are trained to tell stories about most of the individual cars and where (each car) was in history and what did they do before they had cars, why is the steering wheel on the left side



Volunteers and guests of the museum, like the group shown above, meet for lunch at the museum every Thursday at noon.

Land Park News photo/Lance Armstrong

and how the automobile has affected every one of our lives. We think (these things) are very important."

## Ongoing attractions

In addition to educating its visitors, the museum is dedicated to avoiding a stagnant appearance by regularly rotating its exhibits and continuously providing new attractions.

The museum also presents a variety of offerings such as automobile training classes and classic reel-to-reel film showings.

Throughout the museum's history, there have been hundreds of people involved in assisting the museum, including many volunteers who have been working with the museum during much of its existence.

Examples of such volunteers are Guy and Margie Weybright, who initiated the museum's Thursday lunch program and the Christmas tree trim program for car clubs.

In honor of Founders' Day, those who played a part in the museum's early history are invited to stop by the event and relate their stories pertaining to the museum.

Through the recommended \$10 donation price of admission on Founders' Day, museum guests on this day can view the museum's entire automobile collection, as well as enjoy ice cream provided by Vic's Ice Cream, the Archers' 1920s-style entertainment and music played on a pipe organ that was former-



Sacramento resident Ernie Stemer, owner of this 1931 Phantom street rod, which he restored with all Ford parts, is one of the many dedicated volunteers at the California Automobile Museum.

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ly located in the home of the famous film director and producer Cecil B. deMille.

Kaela Nelson, the museum's marketing and education coordinator, said that the event is an excellent way to celebrate the museum's beginnings and its importance in the community.

"I think it is great that we are hosting our first Founders' Day event," Nelson said. "It not only allows us to celebrate our past and the people who

helped found this museum, but (it) also lets us look toward the museum's future and make the community aware of the museum and what it has to offer Sacramento in the way of education and entertainment."

In addition to the Founders' Day schedule, the museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the exception of Thursdays when the museum is open until 9 p.m. and Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day when the museum is closed.

Regular day admission is \$8/adults, \$7/seniors and American Automobile Association members, \$4/students, and free/children, 4 years old and younger.

For more information about the California Automobile Museum, including additional details regarding Founders' Day and other upcoming events and programs, call (916) 442-6802 or visit the Web site [www.calautomuseum.org](http://www.calautomuseum.org).

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# Karate Kid: Kristoffer's project has gone international

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ness more than twice over. With an astounding 242 acts of kindness recorded as of that date, results continue to pour in from all over with tales of their own community service.

"We want to show people that self-defense is more than just punching and kicking," Oliver said of the Zen Martial Arts approach. "We talk a lot about bullying in our dojo (school) and it's not enough to just not be a bully. Kindness is the opposite of bullying and that is what we are trying to teach our students."

"It has been really fun doing the acts of kindness," Kristoffer said. "It's a really good feeling doing things for other people."

Kristoffer is a child capable of great kindness to be sure, but he's

no slouch when it comes to the performance aspect of karate. If he is to earn his green belt, he will have to prove that he has learned the proper history of karate as well as demonstrate proficiency in two forms of the martial art. It sounds daunting, but Oliver has faith in his pupil.

"There are times both in and out of class where he looks and sounds like a black belt," Oliver said. "He has shown the commitment and skill needed to one day become one."

That is high praise indeed from Oliver, who is a black belt himself in the art of Isshinryu Karate.

"I like knowing that if a bad person comes up to me that I can handle the situation," Kristoffer said.

Zen Martial Arts operates under the slogan "Creating Futures with

the Wisdom of the Past." Their goal is to teach the children how to avoid confrontation when possible as well as offer tips on how to eat healthy and how to manage their anger.

If the first year or so of training is any indication, Kristoffer is on his way to becoming a well rounded young man.

"He's a typical nine year old," said Kristoffer's mother Carmel. "He's very boisterous, but since he started karate he has a better attention span, better discipline and it has really helped bring out his passion."

"We are so pleased with what (Oliver) does with the kids," added Kristoffer's father Steffan.

The 100 acts of kindness project has made such an impact that

its effects have gone international. Kristoffer's uncle recently traveled to Uganda to work in an orphanage. While there, he documented his 10 acts of kindness to contribute to the cause.

"Kristoffer really gravitated towards this idea," Carmel said. "He told me that he thought he could get way more than 100."

How right he was.

For more information about Zen Martial Arts, visit [www.zenmartial.com](http://www.zenmartial.com). There you can click on the "digital dojo" link where you can follow Kristoffer's journal entries through his 100 acts of kindness campaign.

Zen Martial Arts holds its classes at the Coloma Community Center at 4623 T St. in Sacramento.

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# Sacramento author provides culinary solutions in 'Perfectly Persimmon'

By CELIA GREEN  
Land Park News writer

It happens every year, in late autumn. They appear in the lunch room at work. Neighbors come over with bags full. They literally fall off the trees in Sacramento. Persimmons. And what to do with them, besides persimmon bread?

There is finally a solution to this dilemma, thanks to a Sacramento resident who has written a cookbook containing more than 1,000 persimmon recipes.

"With most recipe books you can't find persimmon recipes, so I started collecting recipes from friends and the internet," said Jean Brine, author of *Perfectly Persimmon*. "I've been gathering recipes for 45 years, and for the last 20 years I've been thinking about putting them into a book."

Her fascination with persimmons began as a young woman, when she moved to Sacramento.

"I didn't know what a persimmon was," Brine said. "Our family owned three room and board houses on Capitol Avenue and there were fruit trees in the yard. I brought two huge boxes of the fruit to work, and asked my co-workers about them, and that day all the persimmons vanished."

The recipes sat for many years, and were shared and enjoyed by her family. But it was a friend who gave Brine the push to get them published.

"About 18 months ago, Kathi Windheim, a friend of my daughter Beth, urged me to get the book done in time for the opening of the Pocket-Greenhaven Library," she said. "Since then, I've spent several hours each day finding a publisher, choosing artwork and color, and then I proofread each recipe at least three times."

The cookbook is separated into categories such as appetizers, soups and salads, side dishes and – surprisingly – main dishes. Also included is basic information about persimmons and how to store, dry and freeze the fruit. The



Jean Brine, seen here in her Sacramento garden with her husband, Robert, is Sacramento's newest cookbook author.

Land Park News photo/Celia Green

book lists farms, vendors and festivals throughout the United States.

"Jean is like an icon in the Pocket (neighborhood)," said Kathi Windheim, a Board Member of the Pocket-Greenhaven Friends of the Library. "Every time I saw her, I'd ask about the recipes. When at her house one day, I told her, 'If you can finish (the book) by the opening day of the library, you can be the first in our Local Authors series.'"

Brine did finish in time, and sold her books on opening day, with 10 percent of the proceeds going to the library.

"I'm not doing this to be wealthy, it's a lifetime goal for me," Brine said. "I just want people to have the book and enjoy the recipes."

What are the favorite recipes of Sacramento's newest author?

"Oh, that's easy," Brine said with a laugh. "The Gumdrop Fruitcake and the Lemon Glaze Persimmon bars."

The book sells for \$20. For more information email [PerfectlyPersimmon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:PerfectlyPersimmon@sbcglobal.net) or visit Perfectly Persimmon on Facebook.

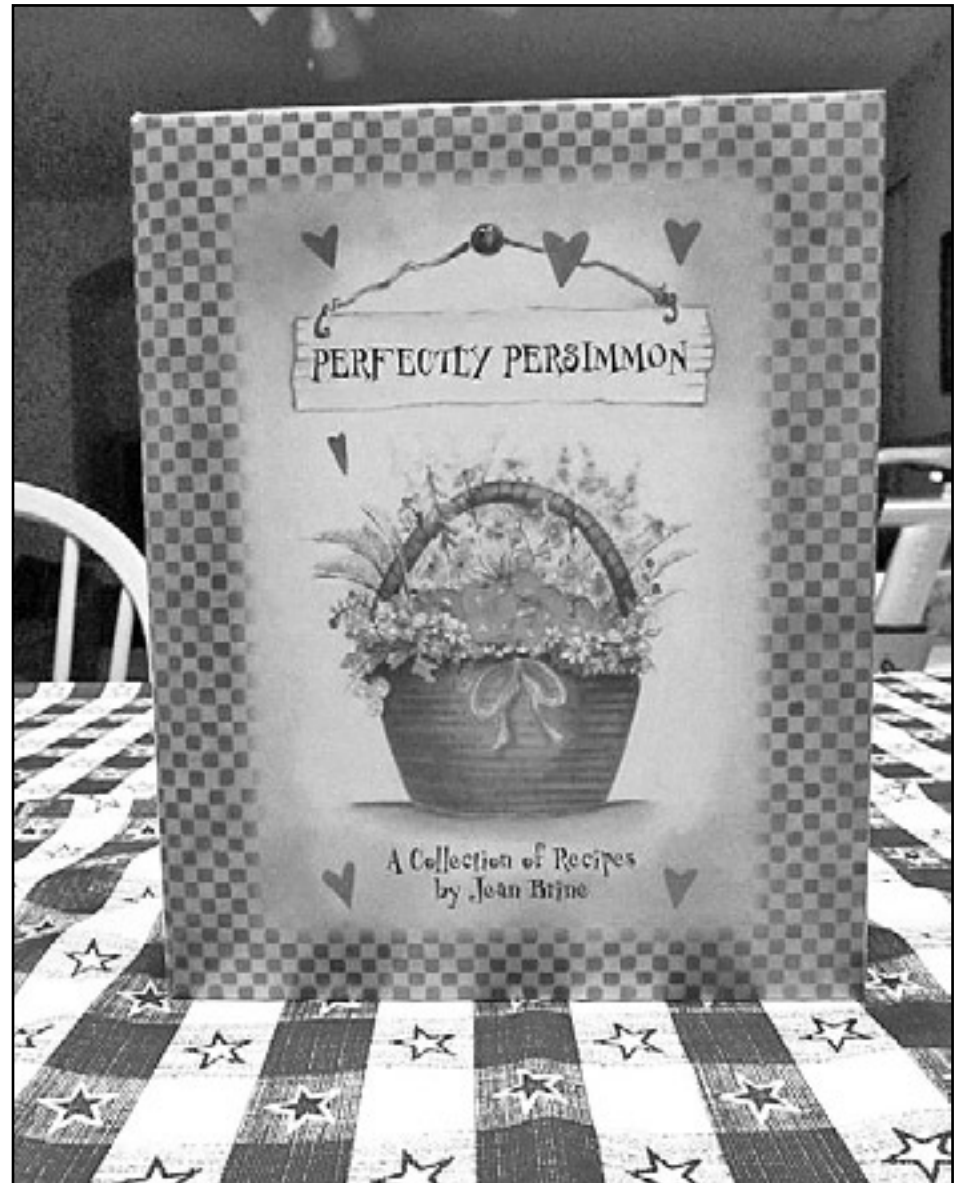


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"Perfectly Persimmon" features appetizers, side dishes, main dishes and desserts – all featuring this unique Asian fruit that is so common to California gardens.

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### Food Addicts Anonymous

Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28: 12-Step group for those who struggle with obesity, food obsession or eating disorders. Meets Thursdays. 9 a.m. St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 6201 Spruce Ave., Sac. (800) 600-6028.

### Rotary Club of East Sacramento

Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m., every Thurs. Salvation Army Dining Hall, 2550 Alhambra Blvd., Sac. www.rotary.org

### Rotary Club of Pocket/Greenhaven

Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 7:30 a.m., every Thurs. Aviators Restaurant, 6151 Freeport Blvd., Sac. Kelly Byam (916) 684-6854.

### Sutterville Heights Optimist Club

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cion de Toastmasters. Thursdays/Jueves, 6:45 p.m. 2118 K St., Sac. Teri Bullington (916) 723-6232, teri.bullington@gmail.com, www.sacramentotoastmasters.com

### BBQ, Beer and Boogie

Sept. 24: Great food, barbeque chicken and ribs, beer, music, dancing and a silent auction to benefit the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk '10. 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Tickets \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. The Palace, 6309 Fair Oaks Blvd., Carmichael. Hosted by Carmichael Oaks and the Kiwanis Club of Carmichael. Featuring the Rotary Rooters. RSVP by Sept. 12. Virginia Stone or Denise Brandt, (916) 944-2323

### Rotary Club of Point West

Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 7 a.m., every Fri. Red Lion Inn, 1401 Arden Wy., Sac. www.pointwestrotary.com

### Soroptimists of Sacramento

Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Soroptimist International of Sacramento South, a service club for business and professional women, meets Fridays. 11:15 a.m.-12:45

p.m. Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd., Sac. Barbara McDonald, (916) 363-6927

### Cemetery Garden tour

Sept. 25: "What's Blooming in the Cemetery Garden" tour. Stroll through the beautiful and peaceful gardens at the Sacramento Historic City Cemetery to learn what's blooming. 10 a.m. Free, but donations gratefully accepted. Cemetery main gate, Broadway & 10th St. Parking available across the street. (916) 448-0811

### Clearance book sale

Sept. 25: Friends of the Belle Cooledge Library will host a book sale. Noon-4:30 p.m. Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Dr., Sac. (916) 457-1426

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### Jan Ken Po Gakko Arts and Crafts Fair

Sept. 25: Asian arts and crafts, vendors and yummy foods, gift items, dolls, framed art, jewelry and more. Free admission. 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation (SASF), 9040 High Tech Court, Elk Grove. www.jankenpogakko.com

### Painting for Paws event

Sept. 25: Artwork created by the cats and dogs at Happy Tails Pet Sanctuary of Sacramento will be on display and available for purchase. In addition, there will also be food, wine, a silent auction and animal-themed jewelry for sale. Proceeds benefit the animals in need at Happy Tails. \$10 donation for admission. 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Pavilions Shopping Center, Fair Oaks Blvd. near Howe Ave., Sac. www.happytails.org

### Safety fair

Sept. 25: Community agencies will provide life-saving info to help prepare residents for natural disasters and home emergencies, including: flooding, earthquakes, extreme weather, home fire prevention, more. Free. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sac. (916) 264-2920, www.saclibrary.org

### ScholarShare Children's Book Festival

Sept. 25, 26: "Plant the Reading Seed and Watch it Grow." Free admission to Fairytale Town. This two-day festival will feature children's book author and illustrator presentations, storytelling performances, celebrity readers, a book swap, and hands-on literacy activities offered by an array of community-based literacy organizations. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 3901 Land Park Dr., Sac. (916) 808-7462 www.fairytaletown.org

### Urban Farm Stand

Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Soil Born Farms' newest urban agricultural project, a farm stand featuring seasonal, local and organic fruits and vegetables. Saturdays through Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. www.soilborn.org

### 'Whiskers and Wine'

Sept. 25: Enjoy a barbeque, wine tasting, music, DJ, silent auction and tours of Sacramento County's state-of-the-art Animal Shelter at this benefit fundraiser to support the animals. 6 p.m. \$25 at the door, \$20 in advance. 3839 Bradshaw Rd., Sac. (916) 875-5051 WhiskersandWine@gmail.com

### Co-Dependents Anonymous

Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: 12-Step group for those who struggle to maintain healthy relationships. Meets Sundays. 2 p.m. Heritage Oaks Hospital, 4300 Auburn Blvd., Rm.101, Sac (866) 794-9993.

### Community Sunday breakfast

Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: Enjoy a delicious breakfast of eggs Benedict, corned beef hash, Joe's scramble, pancakes and more. 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m. every Sun. \$8. Elks Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd. (at Florin Rd.), Sac. Proceeds benefit student scholarships. www.elks6.com

### Genealogy info from the Census

Sept. 26: Lisa Lee, of GotGenealogy.com will explain why U.S. Census research is easier than ever online. Free. 1:30 p.m. Central Library, 828 I St., Sac. (916) 264-2920 www.saclibrary.org

### Jewish Food Faire

Sept. 26: Enjoy delicious traditional and modern Jewish food. Live music & entertainment all day. Arts and crafts vendors, cultural activities, used books, children's play area & activities, more. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission, parking. Congregation Beth Shalom, 4746 El Camino Ave., Carmichael. (916) 485-4478

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### Hatha yoga

Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25: Align the body through breathing techniques, postures and deep relaxation. 3 p.m.-4 p.m. Hart Senior Center, 915 27th St., Sac. (916)808-5462. Meets every Mon. Repeats Wed., Fri.

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Sept. 27: Pamela Spencer, a licensed nutritionist, will discuss how to prepare healthy meals that help balance blood sugar, reduce abdominal fat, and increase energy. Free. 6:30 p.m. Arden-Dimick Library, 891 Watt Ave., Sac. (916) 264-2920, www.saclibrary.org

### Rotary Club of South Sacramento

Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 11:30 a.m., every Mon. Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd., Sac. www.rotary.org.

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### Big Band Dance

Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26: Dance to the rhythms of the Big Band era. Every Tues. \$5 admission. 1:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m. Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Dr., Carmichael. (916) 972-0336

### Basic English language class

Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26: Non-native English speakers can improve English language proficiency. Free. Every Tues. Practice reading, writing, listening and speaking English with others in the class. Through Dec. 14. 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Dr., Sac. (916) 264-2920 www.saclibrary.org

### Dance Movement Therapy Classes

Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26: Cancer patients and survivors are invited to dance movement therapy classes taught by Nandi Szabo, a registered dance movement therapist. Free. Tuesdays through Nov. 9. Two times available: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Sutter Cancer Center, 2800 L St., Sac. Call (916) 529-1079 or email zoefotoni@comcast.net to register.

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### Rotary Club of Carmichael

Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26: Hear guest speakers address local, regional and international topics. Visitors welcome. 6 p.m. Palm Street Pub & Grill, 6416 Fair Oaks Blvd., Carmichael. www.rotary.org

### Sac State Symphony Orchestra concert

Sept. 28: Sacramento State's Symphony Orchestra will perform. 8 p.m. Admission \$5 students, seniors; \$8 general. Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall, Sac State campus, 6000 J St., Sac. (916) 278-4323 www.tickets.com

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taurant, Executive Airport, 6151 Freeport Blvd., Sac. www.soroptimistsnr.org

### History of Sacramento's Chinatown

Sept. 29: Lawrence Tom, author of "Sacramento's Chinatown," will discuss one of the oldest Chinese communities in America and share photos. 3 p.m. Free event. Copies of the book will be available for signing and purchase. Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Dr., Sac. (916) 264-2920, www.saclibrary.org

### Senior Wednesday Club

Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27: The Senior Wednesday Club meets to chat, play bridge, pinochle or bingo. Free. Bring a brown-bag lunch. Free coffee, tea and dessert. Meets Wednesdays. 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Mission Oaks Community Building, 4701 Gibbons Dr., Carmichael. Judi (916) 247-6020

### Toastmasters

Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27: All area business people invited to hone their speaking skills. Noon-1:15 p.m., every Wed. River City Speakers Toastmasters Club, Co-co's Restaurant, 1830 Arden Way, Sac. (916) 747-8282



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## Girl Scout Kick Off in Land Park

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October 16th  
11am - 4pm

William Land Park  
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Questions? Contact Vera Kemp at vera.kemp@girlscoutshcc.org

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# Free e-waste recycling day scheduled for Oct. 2

SACRAMENTO – Wondering what to do with that old television that's sitting in the garage, now that you have that beautiful new flat screen television? Do you wonder how to safely dispose of your old computer that fried when it got that virus?

The St. Francis High School Robotics Team and CEAR, Inc. are spon-

soring a free e-waste recycling day on Oct. 2.

Bring your old television sets, monitors, desktops and notebook PCs, VCRs, telephones, stereo equipment, digital cameras, cell phones, printers, scanners, photocopiers, etc.

These items will be recycled and their components melted down for re-use. For

optimal security, CEAR, Inc. shreds all computer hard drives – so even if your computer was “fried” by that virus...no one will be able to “lift” your confidential tax or personal information from the old hard drive.

Items that can't be accepted are: household appliances, light bulbs, furniture, hazardous materials, paint, batteries and the like.

The e-waste drop off day will be held at the front of St. Francis High School on Oct. 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public is welcome and there is no charge to drop off e-waste. St. Francis High School is located at 5900 Elvas Avenue in Sacramento. For more information, email [robotics@stfrancishs.org](mailto:robotics@stfrancishs.org).

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# Old-fashioned fun at Funderland

Photos by STEPHEN CROWLEY  
Land Park News photographer

Children, parents, grandparents and friends enjoyed some good old-fashioned entertainment at Land Park's Funderland. The amusement park features rides – including teacup rides and a steam train – that are perfect for children ages 2 to 12. Funderland is located at 1350 17th Avenue, at the corner of Land Park Drive and Sutterville Road.



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### LAND PARK HALFPLEX

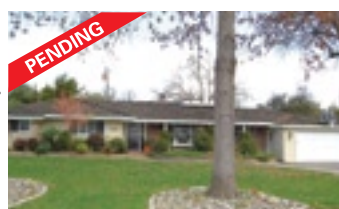
Spacious three bedroom halfplex with two full baths and one half bath. Located in the Didion School boundaries. New heavy shake roof in 2001. Generous storage and large side yard with possibility for small RV or boat storage. Come see all that this home has to offer.



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### GREAT OPPORTUNITY IN DEL DAYO ESTATES

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2 bedroom cottage sits under a canopy of trees and invokes the feeling of a beach getaway. Generously sized kitchen. Living and dining areas wrap around on three sides. Summer fun awaits in the backyard, pool with jetted spa. With nearly 1400 sq.ft., you won't find a better value in Land Park.

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**Trey Bonetti**  
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### COLLEGE PLAZA TERRACE

What a great opportunity! Affordable, quality living in Land Park's College Plaza Terrace. Pretty hardwood floors and welcoming fireplace make this home a joy to live in. It is just a short stroll to Espresso Metro and Crepe Escape. Ready to move right in! See [www.2280-11thAve.com](http://www.2280-11thAve.com) \$310,000

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### CHARMING LAND PARK COTTAGE

Hardwood floors, dual pane windows, updated kitchen and bath, whole house fan & built-in closet organizers in both bedrooms. Gas range, refrigerator, washer & dryer are included. Garage has insulated & finished walls, w/a garage door & French doors opening to the backyard. Deep backyard w/shade trees. Quiet street w/no through traffic. See [www.2156-6thAve.com](http://www.2156-6thAve.com) \$249,000

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