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# Over the Fence

with Greg Brown



By GREG BROWN  
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## Look, up in the sky, it's a drone in Land Park!

Some drone videos showcase remote Alaskan ice caves, cascading waterfalls in Costa Rica, even earthquake damage in Napa. Sacramento resident Tim Pantle showcases the beauty of the Sacramento area with his aerial photos and drone videos on his blog "Love Where You Live".

I hung out with Tim while he was getting aerial views of the Urban Cow Half Marathon and William Land Park the day we got together.

At the start of the half marathon, the announcer told runners to "wave to teh drone," as Tim's Phantom 2 Vision Quadcopter was filming over head.

We spoke about the good, the bad, and the ugly of quadcopters. Drone videos have been somewhat controversial but Tim is the "Mister Rogers of drone video operators." He does nothing nefarious — just good, wholesome, fun videos of the Sacramento area.

What spurred Tim's quadcopter hobby is he wanted to start a blog of some kind.

One day, he saw a picturesque drone video of the old Fair Oaks Bridge and he was hooked. "I've always been that tech-geek and used to be really into photography," Tim said. He loves the challenge of "getting the good shot."

He was getting plenty of good shots of the Urban Cow Half Marathon and William Land Park the day we got together.

When Tim was filming on the fifth hole at Land Park Golf Course, a golfer took a practice swing from the fairway then turned around to smile and wave. The drone makes a loud buzzing, swarm-of-bees sound, so I was surprised the golfer let the quadcopter bother him.

Most golfers demand complete

silence before hitting a fairway wood on a par 4 hole.

The Phantom 2 Vision reminds me of the Starship Enterprise from the old Star Trek series. It has a similar look. If you can operate a joystick, you can certainly operate a quadcopter. Tim syncs it up with GPS. It's the ultimate in tech gadgetry for a photographer. If the battery goes dead, or it loses connection with his remote it'll fly back to where it started and land. It has a brain! The controller has a WiFi extender that allows the drone to send a signal to his phone so he can see what the camera sees.

The Phantom 2 Vison has quite a few different names, including an aerial drone, quadcopter, UAV or Unmanned Aerial Vehicle. The term drone came about because the vehicles sounded like worker bees known as "drones."

Tim's a real estate agent with Coldwell Banker and he thought the quadcopter or drone would be a great aspect of selling real estate. "Unfortunately I can't use it for real estate because of FAA rules of no commercial, at the time that I bought it that rule wasn't in place."

There are a few rules when it comes to the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle. The laws are still trying to catch up with the technology.

You cannot use it for commercial purposes. You can't go above 400 feet. It's also a



Photo courtesy of Tim Pantle. We have liftoff. Tim Pantle gets ready for some aerial photography in Land Park with his Phantom 2 Vision quadcopter.

big "no no" in national parks. Yosemite National Park has banned drones after they became a nuisance to visitors of the park. Another rule is you can't fly within three miles of an airport.

Whereas Tim uses his drone for good, clean, wholesome fun, other drone operators aren't as level headed and responsible as Tim.

There have been many publicized incidents of aerial drones causing problems. One drone operator flew over a nude beach in Hawaii that created an online stir.

Technically, there's nothing illegal about being a "creepy

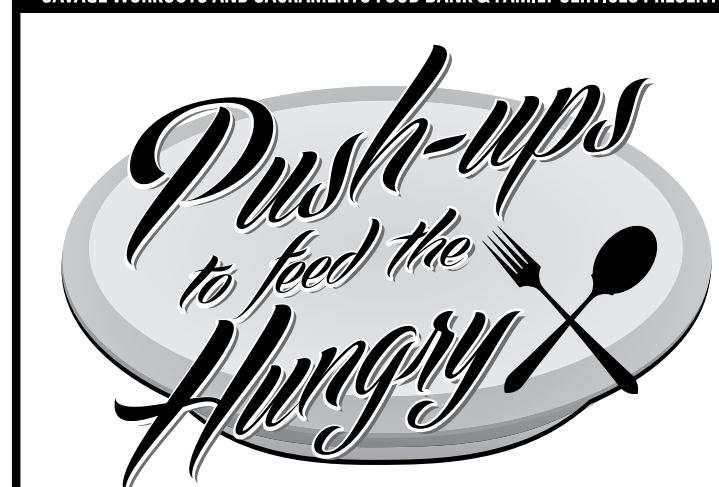
pest" because it was a public beach. When the operator was confronted by one of the sunbathers he accused him of breaking the law by being nude in public, which is technically illegal in Hawaii.

Got that? Being nude illegal, filming people nude, legal.

One man actually shot down a New Jersey man's drone after it hovered near his home. He blew it out of the sky with his shotgun. Ka-boom! The guy who shot down the drone was arrested and charged with Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful

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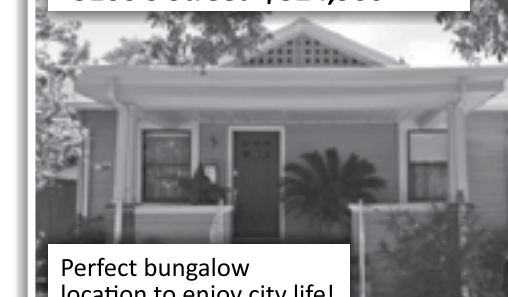
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# Daisy Mah restored WPA Rock Garden in late 1980s

Despite her retirement, Mah still dedicates time to the garden

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*Editor's Note: This is part two of a two-part series regarding the WPA Rock Garden at William Land Park.*

Daisy Mah, who was mentioned in the first article of this series as having become synonymous with the rock garden in William Land Park, certainly has a story to tell about her longtime dedication to the garden.

Despite having retired last year from her many years as head of the garden, which she named the WPA Rock Garden in the mid-1990s, Mah has not entirely left the garden.

Although Duane Goosen became her replacement at the nearly one-acre garden in January 2014, Mah can still be seen working in the garden, generally twice per week in the morning hours.

In discussing her continued involvement with the garden, Mah said, "At the end of July, I returned (to the garden). They called me a utility worker, which is a temporary parks employee. I am currently still at that

position and I try to limit it to twice a week. I'm still helping with the maintenance."

Mah, who was born in the capital city and raised in Walnut Grove, added that part of her work in the garden has been sharing her knowledge about the place with Goosen.

"There are a lot of unusual things that I've planted and it's hard to know what they are," said Mah, who graduated from Delta High School in Clarksburg in 1971. "There are no labels to speak of, and so Duane is truly interested in knowing what's out there. He's a very good photographer, and I think he has pretty much identified all of the plants."

After being asked to tell the story about how she initially became involved with the rock garden, Mah said, "I worked at the McKinley Park rose garden (from 1980 to about 1985) and enjoyed that, but it became clear that it was becoming a problem for me physically. You know, I was developing carpal tunnel syndrome and my hands were going numb. And so, I decided I needed to look elsewhere and there was a posi-



Daisy Mah stands in front of the WPA Rock Garden. The sign for the garden in the background was created by Sacramento artist Jim Ford.

tion at Old Sacramento that I took (in about 1985). But it was clear that it was not the right place for me, because there were no plants to take care of. So, when the position of (Parks Maintenance Worker II) at (William) Land Park became available, I went for it without any knowledge of the area. I had no knowledge of the garden that would take up a lot of my energy and passion for 25 years.

"At that time, the supervisor (Leonard Fuson) was not confident that I would be a long-term parks worker at Land Park, because I had moved around a little bit. I had only stayed at Old Sacramento for probably less than a year. He explained to me that many of his staff had been there 25 years or longer, and that would

be ideal, because he was very concerned (about) continuity, I guess. I didn't know how to prove that I would be committed, but he took me around to the different staff who would work under me and he showed me (the area). Anyway, I was pretty impressed with it. That was in May of 1986."

Mah, who would undoubtedly prove herself to be very dedicated to her work at William Land Park, said that she did not immediately work in the garden.

"(Originally), I was more of a general park lead person, so I had about five people under me. You know, I picked up piles of leaves and I was responsible for making sure the bathrooms in my section got cleaned. We also had seasonal helpers during the summer, during the busy season.

Mah mentioned that while she taking horticulture classes at American River College in 1988, she was awarded a \$400 grant.

There were four lead persons at the time. We were real well staffed. But that changed dramatically in the past 10 years."

Mah recalled speaking to Fuson about the garden in 1986.

"(Fuson) wanted me to take an interest in this garden, but he kind of discouraged me from going hog wild," Mah recalled. "He didn't really explain why, but I kind of get it, because if you make it too nice, it's hard to fill those shoes. And there really wasn't a history of anyone just going crazy in that garden."

In the latter part of 1988, Mah began spending more time in the garden, working through her lunch break and other breaks.

Mah mentioned that while she taking horticulture classes at American River College in 1988, she was awarded a \$400 grant.

"I decided that some of the money should go toward the rock garden and some of it I would use for myself," Mah said. "I spent about \$200 at a wholesale nursery called Cornflower Farms. And they specialize in Mediterranean and California natives. So, most of the plants were pretty tough and adapted to hot and drier conditions. I brought (the plants) to the park, and it was kind of a disappointment, because there might have been 25 plants in a one-gallon size. I had nearly an acre to plant



(above left) The rock garden was established 75 years ago as a project of the Work Projects Administration. (above right) A pathway winds through the scenic rock garden.



Photos by Lance Armstrong

## Rock Garden:

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and it was clear that I needed a lot more to make this garden nice, because by that time, I had cleared out a lot of the ivy with the help of the community service workers. And so, there was a lot of bare ground that was formerly ivy covered."

The ivy, Mah recalled, had been planted at the site following a Proposition 13-related financial setback.

"I think what I heard was during Prop. 13, the funding (for the garden) was dramatically reduced and they (previously) had more staffing in the rock garden and they reduced it to one individual," Mah said. "And because they didn't have much funding for plants, they planted the beds with ivy and different plant covers. In general, it wasn't very attractive."

At a time when Mah had become overwhelmed with the garden, she was introduced to Warren Roberts, (the then superintendent) of the University of California, Davis Arboretum.

In recalling a meeting with Roberts, Mah said, "He came (to the garden) and he thought that there was a lot of potential. He was generous in that he offered me the arboretum as a resource for seeds and cuttings. I would still have to produce my own plants, but I would have the arboretum as a place to get started."

Mah explained that throughout the years she learned many things about maintaining a successful garden.

"Eventually I kind of turned my nose to some of the plants that were in the garden," Mah said. "Over the years, you realize that some of the plants that you thought were so common were actually very good plants to have. I also learned that (the garden) was subject to people running through and breaking things and stealing plants. I learned that if you cleared out plants too early and tried to re-plant, your chances of survival are really bad. I learned to appreciate that there was something there to build upon, in-

stead of eradicating it and starting from scratch."

In explaining how long it took her to reach her first overall satisfaction with the garden, Mah said, "It took a long time. It was a big struggle to get things to survive. And it probably was about 12 years ago, (when) I finally could admit that things were looking the way I wanted (them) to look. It wasn't completely the way I wanted it, and part of it was keeping plants maybe longer than I should. (It) was a very challenging area."

Mah, who resides in midtown Sacramento with her husband, John Hickey, who she married in 1979, added

that she eventually became involved in attracting wildlife to the garden.

"To me, that's so wonderful to see butterflies and bees and other creatures (in the garden)," Mah said. "And hummingbirds are obvious birds to attract, but we're getting resident doves and Oregon juncos and goldfinches and bushtits. The wildlife has increased dramatically over the years."

Overall, Mah, whose present activities include home gardening and her involvement as a member of the Sacramento Perennial Plant Club, finds the garden to be a place that she feels proud of having restored and very sat-

isfied by the joy it continuously brings to its visitors.

"(People) find (the garden to be) a beautiful place and I think they have found a lot of satisfaction from it," Mah said. "And personally, it's been a source of unending challenges and pleasure."

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# Crepes and Burgers burned down, arson suspected

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in of flames being seen from the restaurant, located at 5635 H St. Fire crews arrived to find flames coming from the street side. Due to aggressive fire attack combined with a fire wall the fire was contained to the restaurant and did not spread to neighboring businesses, including Fancy Feet and Morry's Oriental Rug Bazaar.

Arson investigators have determined that this fire is not related to the rash of dumpster fires in early September along Folsom Boulevard between 55th and 59th Streets.

Due to the ongoing investigation no additional details from officials are available at this time, however, this is not the first act of arson business owner, Francesca Zawaydeh, has experienced.

In the early hours on Monday, April 29, 2013, a similar fire burned down Zawaydeh's creperie.

Back in May 2013 Zawaydeh told the Land Park News, about the damage that plagued her family's business after Crepe Escape on Freeport Boulevard burned down.

At that time Zawaydeh said they did not really know what happened, but added: "Arson is harder to prove than murder. There's not much hope finding the person who did it."

Zawaydeh expressed remorse not only for herself and her family but also for the 17 employees who worked at the Freeport Boulevard location of Crepe Escape.

Vacant since then, the Land Park News' Greg Brown last month reported that Cafe Dan-torels (2700 24th St.) owner Rafi Rozbahani applied for a liquor license for the old Free-



Officials have determined the Monday Oct. 13 morning fire at the H Street Crepes and Burgers to be arson. The fire was contained to this business.

port Boulevard Crepe Escape and will be operating a restaurant there called M Cafe with a tentative opening date sometime in February of next year.

The act of arson at East Sacramento's Crepes and Burgers restaurant came after the restaurant underwent a major remodel and expanded its menu to include hamburgers. Prior to this, the restaurant, owned by Zawaydeh, was also called Crepe Escape and neighbors described the décor as having paper mache trees, dangling jungle-like vines and a painted landscape of natural trees on the walls.

After the Freeport location burned down, Zawaydeh said she was looking for a new location to run her business, which she inherited from her father who started it seven years ago.

Zawaydeh said her parents ran three creperies in San Francisco prior to moving to Sacramento. And it wasn't until her brother was killed in Iraq that a move out of the city was needed as everywhere they looked reminded them of their son.

She said she's only seen her father cry twice – once after the death of his son and secondly after the fire burned down Crepe Escape.

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- Flu symptom
- Month of showers
- Desktop symbol
- Cafeteria item
- Bouquet tosser
- Flip out
- Flooring material
- Hosiery thread
- Doggedness
- One who takes down the quarterback
- Mix and mingle
- Dance or dip
- Mourning band
- Brand of jeans
- Bring to life
- Tango move
- Indian royal
- Radioactive element
- Pro or con, in a contest
- Cord material
- Meadow
- Call the shots?
- Sailor's assent
- V-shaped cut
- Sailor's bed
- Garden growth
- Form of government
- Decaf, facetiously
- Put to shame
- Pop music "Lady"
- Great review
- Downhill ski run
- Calla lily
- Grove growth
- Fragrant oil
- Blood classification
- Grazing group
- Not moving
- Unwelcome look
- Raccoon's kin
- Nursed, as a drink
- Put down, as tiles
- Diver's gear
- Collection
- Tenant's contract
- Procrastinator's word
- VCR button
- Terra firma
- Memorial tribute
- "Get Ready" singer of the 70's
- Dole out
- Sermon source
- Risk calculator
- Like some regions
- Emotional obstacle
- Scenic outlook
- Point a finger at
- One of a bear trio
- Final words?
- Bringing up the rear
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**DOWN**

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- Teen affliction
- Reddish horse
- Pawn capture
- Storage spot
- Movie rater
- Flag raiser
- Check out
- All lit up
- Sticker figure
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# Cal Middle School welcomes new principal



Photo by Monica Stark  
Andrea Egan is the new principal at California Middle School. Here, she is shown on Friday, Oct. 17 giving directions to the student body during the Macy's school competition for \$25,000.

Being named principal of California Middle School was like "stepping into a gold mine," says Andrea Egan, who took over the reins of the Land Park institution this fall.

"It's a great school with a great reputation," she says. "That's why people want to send their children to Cal."

Egan can recognize greatness when she sees it: She spent five years as principal of high-performing Phoebe Hearst Elementary School in East Sacramento before Cal and also served as an assistant principal at Sutter Middle School earlier in her administrative career.

Cal, she says, is like Phoebe and Sutter in that all three schools have dedicated teaching staffs, supportive parents and a thriving campus that is the pride of the surrounding neighborhood – a winning formula. Because of Cal's track record of success, she has no plans to make big changes this year.

"I see myself spending a year honoring what has been and listening to staff and parents about where they want to go next," she says. "I really try to put relationships first. It's hard to launch any initiative or make any change unless you have relationships with your staff, your parents and your students."

Egan was appointed last spring, after Elizabeth Vigil was named principal of Rosemont High School. Vigil, who served as Cal's principal for 12 years, is credited with strengthening academics and creating a caring school climate.

Egan plans to build on Vigil's success by forging a closer relationship with C.K. McClatchy High School's Humanities and International Studies Program, finding new ways to make the school accessible to the community and encouraging school spirit. "I want to make a Cal a place that kids want to go to because it's exciting and fun."

Egan's mentor, former Sutter principal Greg Purcell, says he has no doubt that she will accomplish her goals at Cal.

"She's very highly skilled and highly competitive," says Purcell. "She gets after it every day and she likes to win."

Egan, 37, grew up in Livermore, the daughter of a scientist who worked at both Lawrence Livermore and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratories. After high school, she attended California State University, Sacramento where she earned a bachelor's degree in graphic arts.

Graphic arts, it turned out, didn't suit her personality, she says. "It was impersonal and isolating." By contrast, she loved working as a swim instructor at the Livermore City Pool. "So I went back to Sac State and got my teaching credential." (She also holds a master's degree in curriculum and instruction, also from Sac State.)

Her first job was at Sutter, teaching English and history. When then-assistant principal David Rodriguez – now Sutter's current principal – announced he was leaving to work at Kit Carson Middle School, Purcell asked Egan to consider taking Rodriguez's place.

"It didn't take long to figure out that she was really good with kids and adults and really hard working," Purcell says. "And she's passionate about being a school leader."

"Greg really has shaped my leadership style," Egan says. "He taught me to see the big picture and not get bogged down by minutia."

Purcell says he's honored to have played a role in both Rodriguez's and Egan's careers.

"It's fun to see David running Sutter and Andrea running Cal. They are both quality individuals."

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## Faces and Places: California Middle School through the decades Cal Middle shows school spirit for \$25,000 cash award

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Be true to your school. That's Macy's slogan they've shared with schools nationwide, as the department store is currently looking for America's most spirited and talented lip-dubbin' student body to wow their judges with their most amazing one-take video. Stakes are high and competition is fierce. Top prize is \$25,000, with \$15,000 for second place and \$10,000 for third! The submission period is currently closed. Winners will be announced on YouTube on or around Oct. 30.

The only song allowed was the Macy's Back to School Lip Dub version of "Be True to Your School." It cannot be edited in any way or mashed up with other songs. Students had to use the whole song and loop the song as long as they stay within the 10 minute time limit. Videos will be judged based on school spirit and participation (50 percent), creativity (30 percent), and execution (20 percent).

On Friday, Oct. 17, as "Be True to Your School" played on intercoms through the entire campus, students at California Middle School represented the school through the ages, dressing in period attire, donning outfits from each decade since the school opened in 1938.



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Purpose and Criminal Mischief. Oops.

Then there is the case of a 17-year-old teen who was innocently filming the shoreline of a beach in Florida. A woman became enraged and assaulted him because she thought he was filming bikini-baring beach goers. The video of the confrontation is quite disturbing. The woman called the police; but, after they viewed the I-Phone video from the teen's camera, she was arrested for assault.

Tim told me he thinks "some of the news coverage is overblown."

I spoke with Rob Watkins at RC Country Hobby on Folsom Boulevard and he said, "I'm more concerned in the type of person and how they're flying them than the quadcopters themselves."

Rob mentioned an incident where a guy was flying his drone over the Sand Fire in the Sierra Nevada foothills. It caused the grounding firefighting aircraft.

"We sell a lot of them here and they're fun to fly. It just concerns me what people are doing with them," Rob said.

What Tim is doing with his drone videos is making people feel good. The feedback Tim gets is all positive. His most popular drone video is the Del Campo High School campus. He's actually from the graduating class of '86. His quadcopter gives an aerial documentation of the campus as it slowly glides over the mighty oak tree that is at the center of the campus. The aerial video ends on

the newly build Cougar football stadium. He also has an ethereal soundtrack that plays during the video. It elicited quite a few emotional responses on a Del Campo High School reunion page. Gregory Hansel, a class of 1984 alumni said, "Am I the only one who got a bit emotional seeing that? School hasn't changed much. A lot of memories."

Tim also has an enchanting drone video of the Sacramento River at the Tower Bridge. The quadcopter glides right over the golden bridge to reveal an aerial shot not many people have seen — the tip top of the Tower Bridge. It's accompanied by some Joe Satriani-style guitar riffs. He also filmed a video of the American River near the Fair Oaks bluffs and bridge, another picturesque drone video of the area Tim calls home.

If you search You Tube, there are numerous beautiful, edgy, and just plain magical videos of nature's beauty. These drone videos, by far, outnumber the irresponsible and innocuous ones that tend to get headlines. Waterfalls, cliff diving, and amazing Alaskan glacier views are just some of the subjects drone videos have beautifully captured.

Drone videos are also publicizing social justice like the Occupy Central protests in Hong Kong. There is an aerial drone video of hundreds of thousands of people in the street peacefully protesting.

There's also aerial drone videos by The Swandiri Institute, an organization focusing its research on the political-ecology and social-ecological analysis of environmental change happening in Indonesia.

Drones are even helping to save the whales. The Ocean Alliance is a group that uses aerial drones to collect a broad spectrum of data from the whales without disturbing them. From the data, they advise scientists and policy makers on pollution and how to prevent the collapse of marine mammals and other sea life.

See? Aerial Drones are being used for good.

Which brings me back to Sacramento's drone video photographer, Tim Pantle. He takes great pleasure in making drone videos that people have an emotional connection to. Tim also uses his common sense. "I don't fly over people's houses and if somebody shows any inkling they're upset, I just leave. I'm not looking for any trouble."

Tim is very careful and cautious with his quadcopter. When we were together, his plan was to fly over the Sacramento Zoo, but he was also a bit hesitant. Tim said, "I don't know if I could fly over the zoo because it might disturb the animals. Common sense says, don't bug the animals."

He did manage to get some aerial footage of the zoo and no animals were disturbed.

Whether it's Sacramento parks, historic bridges or our beautiful waterways Tim only uses his quadcopter for good. He also takes pride in giving Sacramento a bird's eye view of the city he loves.

To check out all of Tim's videos go to [www.LoveSacramento.Blogspot.com](http://www.LoveSacramento.Blogspot.com)

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## Chinatown established in Sacramento City during Gold Rush era

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*Editor's Note: This is part four in a series regarding historic Asian districts of Sacramento.*

Among the earliest cultural histories of Sacramento is that of the Chinese, who established their own Chinatown in today's downtown area during the Gold Rush era.

The Chinatown of Sacramento, which was known to its residents as Yee Fow, was located along I Street, primarily from 2nd to 6th Street, and was a sort of city within the city, in which local Chinese could survive without speaking English.

Yee Fow is translated as "Second City," as it was the second city to the "Big City" of San Francisco, which was referred to by Chinese people as Dai Fow.

The Chinatowns in Marysville and Stockton were known as Sam Fow ("Third City").

As its own small community, Sacramento's Chinatown, whose original residents were almost entirely immigrants from the province of Guangdong, had a wide variety of businesses, including general stores, restaurants, hotels and laundries.

Sacramento's Chinatown was initially centralized in buildings on I Street, between 5th and 6th streets. It later expanded to stretch from its aforementioned main area of 2nd to 6th streets.

An early account of the Chinese district of Sacramento and its people was included in a lecture by the Rev. Joseph Augustine Benton, pastor of the First Church of Christ in Sacramento.

In the written version of that lecture, which was published in 1853, are the following words: "For two blocks, almost, these children of the sun and moon were in possession of the buildings, of every description. They had trading houses, lodging houses, carpenter shops, restaurants, gambling rooms and brothels; and were, many of them, evidently getting into 'fast' ways. Some wore their hair, and had garments on, precisely like Americans."

In another early account of Chinatown, and a portion of its vicinity, The Sacramento Union, in its Nov. 8, 1852 edition, notes: "I Street has grown more than ever in importance. Escaping as it did, almost entirely from the ruinous effects of the conflagration (which swept through about 85 percent of the city on Nov. 2 and 3, 1852), thousands of persons throng it daily — vehicles of all kinds are constantly passing backwards and forwards, bearing the rescued household effects to different points of destination — and the Chinese, particularly, have converted it into their K Street, where the entire portion of that population resort.

"Above Fifth (Street), they are opening up places of business, and appear to have imbibed a large degree of that American feeling which knows no stop under adverse circumstances."

Sacramento's Chinatown was certainly a lively place during the Gold Rush.

In the same manner in which various other cultures purchased mining supplies on J and K streets and other locations en route to the gold fields, Chinese purchased mining supplies on I Street.

In regard to early Chinese population figures for the Sacramento area, various records exist.

A special, 1852 state census recognizes 804 Chinese (794 males and 10 females) as then residing in Sacramento County.

According to the 1860 U.S. Census, at least 600 Chinese were then living in the Sacramento area.

An 1860 accounting of children residing within the four school districts in which the city was then-divided includes the total of 128 Chinese and Indian "children" (under the age

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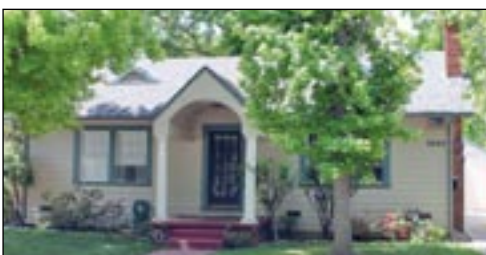


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# Chinatown:

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of 21). That figure and others were presented by F.D. Chamberlin, the school marshal at that time.

A decade later, the census noted that 1,371 Chinese were then residents of the capital city.

The 1880 census recognizes 1,781 Chinese as then living in Sacramento, and later cen-

sus records reported 1,733 in 1890 and 1,065 in 1900.

Although research for this article resulted in no record pertaining to when the first Chinese person or people came to Sacramento, a Chinese community was certainly developing in the area by the early 1850s.

On July 10, 1850, the Sacramento Transcript reported that the Comsung Hotel on 2nd Street, near J Street, was

in operation under the proprietorship of Cum Sing.

The hotel included a restaurant with dinners, tea service and a fan, which hung over a table. The article notes that the fan was "kept in motion by an invisible power."

Entertainment, including public celebrations, was an important part of the lives of Chinatown residents.

The Union, in its Sept. 28, 1852 edition, reported that

during the previous evening, a festive event, which included the setting off of firecrackers for about a half-hour, was held in Chinatown.

The 4th of July-like gathering of the local Chinese caused about 200 curious outsiders to be drawn to the area.

During the summer of 1853, an artist named Ay-yet opened a Daguerrean art gallery in Chinatown.

A barbershop was mentioned in the Jan. 5, 1854 edi-

tion of The Union as operating on I Street in the city's Chinese district.

On July 13, 1854, another one of Sacramento City's great fires made its way to Chinatown.

The following day's edition of The Union notes: "The Chinese are literally left houseless."

All of the Chinese occupied structures on I Street, between 5th and 6th streets, were destroyed, along with "Spanish and Chinese" occupied houses on I Street, between 3rd and 4th streets, and more than a dozen Chinese shanties on 5th Street, between I and J streets.

In being that the great fire of 1854 originated in a small frame building on the block bounded by 3rd, 4th, J and K streets, the city's Chinese had sufficient time to move many of their possessions to safe grounds.

The rebuilding of Chinatown occurred quickly, as is evident by references to the existence of structures and Chinese activities in the area during the post-fire part of the same year.

For instance, The Union, in its Aug. 8, 1854 edition, refers to a Chinese bank on I Street.

A reference to the re-created Chinatown appears in The Union's Dec. 5, 1854 edition, which notes that Chinatown residents packed balconies of buildings along I Street to view a funeral procession.

Chinatown's first theater, the Canton Chinese Theater, opened on I Street in early 1855.

Unfortunately for the theater's owner and management,

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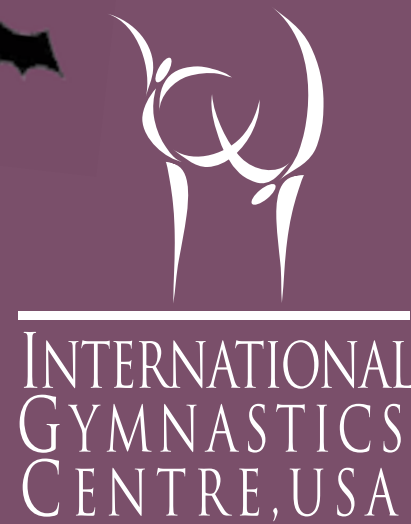


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# Meet your school board candidates

Dear readers: In an effort to help get out the vote and provide the public with relevant information regarding our area's city council and school board candidates, the following is a board of education question and answer special, featuring incumbent Jay Hansen and challengers Anna Molander and Kate Woolley.  
Monica Stark, editor



Jay Hansen

**Jay Hansen** serves his community and state in a variety of ways including as the current Board Member of the Sacramento City Unified School District. Jay serves as a member of State Superintendent Torlakson's 'Team California' with a special focus on Children's Healthcare and he also serves as an appointee of Governor Brown's California Health Facilities Financing Authority. Previous State Superintendent Jack O'Connell selected Jay as a member of the state Career Technical Education Standards and Framework Commission to rewrite the state's new vocational education curriculum. Additionally he serves as an elected member of the Occidental College Board of Governors and as an appointed member of the USC-Sacramento Center Advisory Council.

She had three beautiful children with her husband. Unfortunately, she and the children had to escape under police protection and Kate suddenly found herself a single mother. She moved back to Northern California, enrolled the children in Head Start and went back to school. Kate earned her Early Childhood Education credential because she wanted to teach pre-school, but after interviewing for jobs, found that a pre-school teacher's salary is just above minimum wage.

Kate earned her real estate license in 2004 and has been helping clients buy and sell homes ever since. Her experience negotiating contracts, working with budgets and collaborating to find common ground are skills she will bring to the school board.

Kate has more than 10 years of experience volunteering in classrooms, working with teachers and parents, and tutoring students. She has served on the PTSA and Parent Guild as a parent representative. Kate has been active in the education of her children every step of the way.

Currently, Kate volunteers in community organizations and is active in her neighborhood association of Curtis Park. Her children go to three Sacramento city schools and she knows the importance of having educational options.

**Why are you running for school board? What are your top three priorities?**

**Anna Molander:** I am running because I care about the quality of education our kids receive and I have the skills and experience to make the school district better. What distinguishes me from the other candidates is that I have a long track record of bringing people here together and engaging the Sacramento community in our government. Our next school board member must be able to excel in this area if we are going to succeed in meeting new community engage-

ment laws in order for us to obtain the maximum amount of funding for our schools. This is why thousands of our local classroom teachers, parents and community leaders are supporting me. I will also make sure we are recruiting, training and retaining the best teachers in our classrooms. Finally, fiscal responsibility is very important to me. We should not be mortgaging the District's future to pay our bills.



Anna Molander

**Kate Woolley:** I am running for school board because I care deeply about education and making sure all students have high quality schools to attend. As a mother of three with over 10 years of experience in classrooms, I know the challenges families face, such as getting children to school safely, providing nutritious meals, getting help with homework, and finding enriching after school programs. Education has lifted more people out of poverty than anything else. I want to help students stay engaged in school and encourage parents to be more involved. I bring practical, real life experience to the table because I know how policies affect families in the district, and what we can do to make schools better. My top three priorities are:

1) Keep neighborhood schools open. With new housing developments being constructed, we need high rated schools to bring families into the district. Our priority should be making it easy for students to attend school in their neighborhood so they don't feel the need to go elsewhere.

2) Ensure smaller class sizes, especially in elementary school. Studies show an optimal classroom has between 18-22 students.

3) Encourage parental involvement. Students succeed in school when parents are engaged in their education. Not everyone can volunteer in the classroom, but every parent can make some sort of contribution.



Kate Woolley

**Jay Hansen:** I believe that public education is the cornerstone of our democracy. It is the great equalizer in our society and truly allows everyone the chance to better themselves and their condition. The successes I have had in life are the result of great teachers and my public education. I want to ensure our students have the same chances to succeed as I did.

Every student should be ready for college or a career when they graduate from high school. I will continue to expand and improve the vocational education our students have by increasing access to internships and pre-apprenticeship programs. I did just that when the District renegotiated our construction contracts and guaranteed dedicated internship positions for students. I have worked for several years with Senator Darrell Steinberg to improve our career technical (vocational) education opportunities and am proud to have his endorsement as a result of my hard work.

During my time on the Board I have been committed to living within our fiscal means. Former School Board member and current Councilmember, Jay Schenirer stressed to me the importance of fiscal responsibility and pointed to my commitment as one of the reasons he supports my reelection. The District cannot provide for the long term success of students if our fiscal house is in disarray.

My third focus is on speeding up our school infrastructure improvements and modernization. I expedited McClatchy's new baseball batting cages and expanded the scope of work in the gymnasium and the grounds. With Councilmember Steve Hansen, we restarted the long stalled Floyd Farms Project to build a 2 1/2 acre working farm for Leataata Floyd Elementary. This urban farm will teach our young students the importance of proper nutrition, urban farming and self sufficiency while beautifying the communi-

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ty. I am proud to have Steve's endorsement for my campaign as he recognizes the importance of turning vision into reality.

**What are the biggest issues facing Land Park-area schools? How do these issues compare/contrast to schools in other neighborhoods?**

**Kate Woolley:** The biggest issues affecting Land Park area schools have been because of the budget cuts. Janitorial staff is at the absolute minimum and it shows in the classrooms. Carpets and bathrooms are dirty, which can make students sick.

There isn't enough toilet paper to last through the day. Also, the cafeteria line can be 15 minutes long and some students will go without eating lunch because they don't have enough time. The quality of food provided can be greatly improved. I would like to see a farm to fork program started in our schools.

**Jay Hansen:** Our schools are the pride of the community and the envy of the District. The involvement of our parents and neighbors in our schools increases the achievement of our students and drives even more interest in attending our schools. The popularity of our schools impacts the infrastructure and increases the need for better and more frequent maintenance. All of our District's schools compete for a limited amount of infrastructure dollars. As the Chair of the District's Facilities Committee and a Vice-President of the Board I am focused on ensuring our schools are well served.

**Anna Molander:** Unfortunately, our classrooms in Land Park are overcrowded and this is resulting in children not being given the one-on-one attention they need to perform their best. If elected, I will work on coming up with a long-term plan to reduce class sizes district-wide and provide support to teachers with overcrowded classes.

**In your opinion, what have been the most controversial topics that have come across the school board in recent years? What's your opinion about how they were handled?**

**Jay Hansen:** Certainly school closures were controversial. Student enrollment in our district has been declining for several years - 10 percent over the last decade, some schools were impacted more than others as a result. Last year, the Board made the tough decision to close our seven least populated moving from 57 to 50 elementary schools. I was a 'Yes' vote. I am willing to make a tough decision and maintain fiscal discipline.

Additionally our District faces tough choices as we deal with a \$600 million unfunded healthcare obligation to our current and retired employees. We are just starting to work on this issue and it will require honest, open and transparent dialogue with our union partners. And it will require independence. I am proud the Sacramento Bee endorsed my election citing my independence.

**Anna Molander:** The most controversial decision that was made by the school board in recent years is school closures. It is not the decision to close schools that has angered parents most. It is the way they've been treated.

We need a board member who operates with a plan and has compassion for the families they serve. This is why the school district appointed me to lead and organize meetings with parents, teachers, and community leaders to develop the district's community plan for the closed schools. I worked directly with the families and parents impacted.

I listened closely to their concerns and made myself available to help. I have compassion for their needs and want to do all I can to help them and their kids. Unfortunately, since submitting our transition plan, there has been no significant action taken. I am asking voters to give me the opportunity to serve on the board so I can take action and implement the plan we devel-

oped. This is the most we can do to provide the families impacted by school closures with the respect they deserve.

**Kate Woolley:** The most controversial topic has been the school closures. I don't think the board looked beyond the immediate cost/benefit when making this impactful decision. Also, the reasons for the closures keep changing, as it seems the board made the decision to close schools, then looked for justification later.

**How have the closures of schools impacted the Land Park area?**

**Anna Molander:** School closures left the perception that the district is in decline, leading families to look for alternatives for their kids. I want to fix that problem by re-engaging parents and the community in decision-making. But we have to address the impacts we're dealing with in our neighborhood schools first. Although schools were not closed in Land Park, the schools in our neighborhood have been experiencing classroom overcrowding issues because students from outside the area are being transferred to our schools as a result of neighborhood schools being closed. I believe we can and should plan better. If I am elected to the board I will make sure we have a plan in place when we make these decisions.

**Kate Woolley:** The school closures have been detrimental to Land Park schools because classrooms that were already full are now packed. The cafeterias are crowded and the playgrounds are more confined. Limited resources are being stretched even further. I will work to reopen Washington school to relieve some of this congestion. More janitorial staff and teachers' aides are critical to having safe, healthy schools. We are spending more money to accommodate the additional students than we saved in closing schools. It was a penny-wise, pound foolish decision. There must be long term planning and accountability from the school board. We also have more traffic from families dropping their students off who live in the closed schools neighborhoods. Even with carpooling, there are more cars degrading the roads and putting pollution into the air because students aren't able to walk or ride their bikes to their local school.

**Jay Hansen:** Our schools are filled to capacity so no schools were closed in Land Park. Closing under-enrolled schools allowed the District to shift more money to the schools that remained open including those in Land Park.

**Do you have anything else to add?**

**Anna Molander:** Our School District has the potential to be one of the best in the state. I believe my experience in making government work for our kids, ability to engage the community, and firsthand knowledge of how to solve the issues our schools face, can help us achieve great things for our kids.

**Kate Woolley:** When thinking about who the best candidate will be to represent area 1, consider someone who has the experience, passion and dedication to make our schools work for all families. I know not every child learns the same way, and we need to have options available for them. I have a daughter at Cal Middle School, a daughter at C.K. McClatchy, and a son at The Met high school. Each school has different needs and unique programs available for their students. I will be an active board member and have the time and flexibility to do the job well. I will bring my skills for collaboration, negotiation and practicality, as well as my sincere desire to listen to the needs of the community, to the district. I'm excited to get started and would be thrilled to have the opportunity to make our schools the best in the nation.

**Jay Hansen:** (Editor's Note: There was no closing comment provided by the incumbent.)

## Chinese Theater:

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for some time, a sign that had mistakenly read, "Tailor," instead of "Theater," hung at the premises.

The Union reported on May 4, 1855 that a fire, which threatened Chinatown, occurred during the previous morning on the west side of 5th Street, between I and J Street. The fire was quickly extinguished.

Chinatown was not as fortunate on July 3, 1855, when a fire, which originated on the second floor of the Sze-Yap Co. on I Street, between 5th and 6th streets, caused the destruction of the entire block above 5th Street, including the triangle created by the levee and 6th and I streets.

With the use of water suctioned by Engine Co. No. 3 from the nearby Sutter Lake (aka China Slough), the then newly dedicated Chinese Chapel at 6th and H streets was saved from destruction.

The Union, in its following day report of the fire, noted: "The loss falls heavily on the Chinese tenants who were variously engaged there as merchants, butchers, barbers, restaurateurs, (etc.)."

"The total loss is variously estimated at from \$65,000 to \$100,000. We are inclined to think that the former estimate is correct, from the following list of losses furnished us by an agent of one of the Chinese companies."

Despite its tragedies, Chinatown continued to persevere and progress.

A Chinese language newspaper, which was known as Chinese News, was first printed in Sacramento in December 1856. It continued to be published for nearly two years.

The News, which sold for 25 cents per copy, was the city's first foreign language newspaper.

It was initially printed as a daily, but later appeared as a tri-weekly. Ultimately, it was published with irregularity - sometimes weekly and other times monthly.

The publication's editor and publisher was Ze Too Yune, who used the alias Hung Tai.

Too Yune had proposed to revive the paper, but that plan never materialized.

# ARTS

## The Nature of Droids and Machines

By JEFF MYERS

*Editor's Note: What follows is a first-person artist statement by Jeff Myers, a Land Park resident, whose work will be shown at a solo art exhibition titled 'The Nature of Droids and Machines' from Nov. 6 to Dec. 6 at the Alex Bult Gallery (1114 21<sup>st</sup> St.), which is operated by the Wayne Thiebaud family. A preview and reception will be held on Thursday, Nov. 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. and an opening night reception will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 6 to 9 p.m.*



Augustus (60"x50", oil, 2014)

This body of work is dedicated to my late father, Tom Myers, who passed away this April. He was a wonderfully curious and humorous person who touched many lives. I remember having a dream-like childhood with him. He was a national level photographer and he would take me along on shoots throughout the West. One day we would be photographing the tallest Redwood for National Geographic and the next a cotton gin. It was a priceless education.

This work is the culmination of a journey that began with 'The Land Series,' a few years back. The framework then as now was the relationship between land, technology and humans. That work explored 'contrasts,' 'relationships' and 'separation.' In the next expression in 2013, 'The Secret Life of Machines,' the work progressed to 're-integration,' 'inclusion' and 'inter-relationship' of the thematic elements. A movement towards unification and the 'non dual.' Now, this culminating work is an exploration of the 'essence' or 'nature' of that non-dual unification and experience. Which has led inexorably to an exploration of 'consciousness.'

Consciousness is the unifying element. This might seem odd at first, given that the 'subjects' of the work are motorcycles, tractors and droids. In the linear progression of the work we might say that the tractors have become droids and the droids have become human, if we hold that 'consciousness' is the essence of humanness as far as we can conceive. The early tractors of 'The Land Series' reflected a life lived, relationship to land and people, and impermanence, the experienced passage of time. But that life lived seemed to depend on our life, seemed to be an extension or reflection of our life. Now, the tractors are somehow 'complete' in themselves. What is that completeness? The early droids also showed signs of life; but

again, they seemed to depend on us for that life. It felt somewhat 'projected' by us onto or into them. They are 'dependent' on us and the land—but not also 'independent' from us in the complex way that a human child is both completely dependent for his or her existence on his mother and the earth, but is at the same time unique and independent. In the new work the droids have their 'own' lives. Why?

Let's look at two examples from the current show. In Tractor Patterns, when we first look at it we can see that it seems to be full of life, history, relationship, and even personality. Yet there is an empty seat there; and that usually suggests that a 'person' is needed to sit there in order to bring all that to life. From this perception, we feel we need to add a consciousness to make it complete. Yet, this tractor seems complete in itself, lacking nothing. The second piece: Caravaggio's Pal. There is no sense that we have projected anything onto him; rather the immediate feeling as he enters is that we need to respond to him as he comes into 'our' life now. There is a sense of history and of present moment unfolding. It is the same feeling as when anyone new and unexpected enters the room. So, like us, he is both 'dependent' and 'independent'—interdependent. The Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh says, "To be is to inter-be."

The tractors, motorcycles and droids are a product of my mind. I am the 'subject' who painted those objects. And you are the 'subject' who experiences all the 'objects' in the show. But what is the nature of that experience and where is that experience? Is each experience only 'separate' and unique, or is it also completely interconnected and interdependent?



Two Droids Draped in Wilderness (66"x58" oil, 2014)



Night Rider (48"x58", oil, 2014)

Well, I have painted my current understanding. Words won't reach there for me; but, maybe we can tentatively offer this: Caravaggio's Pal is as he lives in my mind and yours; and he is our mind as it lives in him. Or so it seems to me. Which means that the 'completeness' of the work mentioned above is not just the presence of life 'within' the droids and their non-dual expression. It goes further. Starting from the beginning of this project: in the early work of 'The Land Series,' the light 'shines into the pieces, in the middle work of 'The Se-

cret Life of Machines,' the light shines out of the pieces, and now in the current show's new work—the light shines, without reference to inner or outer.

Now, of course, there are exceptions to the simple linear progression that I have outlined; and there are also thematic variations within each of the three shows. In this statement, I am merely trying to provide an entry point to the work and to my understanding of the journey, to provide a sense of the thematic context and direction in which the work can be approached, explored and evaluated. Enjoy.

Faces and Places:

## Halloween decorations from around the Land Park

Photos by STEPHEN CROWLEY  
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Boy, is the Land Park area festive this time of year? Check out this selection of photographs taken on the evening of Friday, Oct. 5. Get out of the house, take a walk and see for yourself. Happy Halloween! The area is also home to many events big and small we hope you enjoy.

On Friday, there will be a fall festival at Sutterville Elementary, starting at 5 p.m. with various festivities and a dinner. Sutterville Elementary is located at 4967 Monterey Way.

### Fairytale Town: Safe & Super Halloween: The Adventures of Percy Jackson

Three nights of trick or treating and family friendly fun await at Fairytale Town's 28th annual Safe & Super Halloween (Friday, Oct. 24- Sunday, Oct. 26) from 5 to 9 p.m. The park will be transformed into Rick Riordan's mythological world of Percy Jackson and the Olympians. Young heroes can venture through the transformed park as they make their quest to Mount Olympus and the infamous Olympian Zeus. Visit Polyphemus' lair, the replica Parthenon, the Oracle of Delphi and Medusa's garden, just remember not to look her directly in the eyes! Keep an eye out for plenty of mythological characters and creatures along the way. The event features 17 candy stations, a nightly costume parade at 8:30 p.m., hands-on activities and lots of mythological fun! Puppet Art Theater Company will perform Frankenswine, a zany, Halloween-themed puppet show, each night at 6, 7 and 8 p.m. in the Children's Theater. Puppet show tickets are an additional \$1 for members and \$2 for nonmembers. This is a special ticketed event. Advance tickets are \$7 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. Ticket prices will increase beginning Oct. 24 to \$9 for members and \$12 for nonmembers. Children 1 and under are free. Member restrictions apply.

On Saturday and Sunday, Funderland presents its annual Spooktacular Halloween. This year, Elsa the Snow Queen will wow the youngins at noon and 2 p.m.; there will be a magician at 1 p.m. and trick or treating will be available for \$3. Also for that price, kiddos can traverse the Happy Little Pumpkin Patch or for one ticket ride the The Not So Spooky Train or venture into the Silly Haunted House. Funderland will have kids' costume contests, face painting, a

photo booth, vendors, crafts and more! Get Free Tickets: When you bring in new games or new art supplies for River Oak Center for Children Funderland will give you free tickets as a thank you (amount of tickets based on items donated). Parents – Don't forget: Children can come dressed in their favorite Halloween costume and enter into the kids' costume contest happening at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. They'll also have festive totes you can purchase for \$2 each for all your trick-or-treating fun!

Boo at the Zoo will be happening two nights this year, Thursday, Oct. 30 and Friday, Oct. 31 from 5 to 8 p.m. Two nights of ghoulish family fun, Thursday or Friday rain or shine. Kids can safely trick-or-treat around the lake at 25 different candy stations! Other activities include magic shows, costume dance party, ghoulish games, and lots of family fun! You can also ride the Spooky Train or Creepy Carousel for an additional fee. Please note: Only the front half of the Zoo will be open during this event. The spookiness is appropriate for children under 10 years of age. Early bird ticket prices, through Oct. 28: Non-members: \$10; Sacramento Zoo members, \$8; children age 1 and younger are free. General ticket prices, Oct. 29 until the event, are \$12. Children age 1 and younger are free. There will be no member discount. Buy tickets online at www.saczoo.org, by phone at 808-5888 or in person at the zoo, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Belle Cooleedge Library will come alive with ghouls and ghosts for a tween/teen gaming program on Halloween day from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The library encourages youth to finish off that creepy month of October with a Ghoul and Ghost inspired teen/tween gaming program! They'll have Minecraft and the Nintendo Wii! Snacks will be provided and costumes are encouraged!

A few local churches will have events that day too! Trunk or Treat will be at Greenhaven Lutheran Church on Halloween night from 5:30-7:30 p.m., 475 Florin Road. Also, on Halloween night there will be a harvest festival at Riverside Wesleyan Church, 6449 Riverside Blvd., from 6 to 8 p.m. It will be filled with free family fun.

Further into the Pocket area, there will be a Spooktacular Halloween Party at the Sacramento Portuguese Holy Spirit So-



ciety, 6776 Pocket Road. There will be music by DJ Dick Daniel, a costume contest, candy bags, and a haunted house on Halloween night, starting at 6:30 p.m. Adults are \$7; kids \$4; children age 5 and younger are free

And while the following event is not necessarily Halloween related, it's family friendly and costumes are involved! Join Storytime Theatre of Sacramento City College for "The Little Mermaid" which is adapted and directed by Matt K. Miller. Plays run through Nov. 9 on Saturdays and Sundays at

noon. Admission is \$5 for all ages (children two years and younger are admitted free of charge). No reservations are needed. To purchase tickets in advance or for more information, go to www.citytheatre.net. All performances in the Little Theatre in the Performing Arts Center (PAC 106) on Sacramento City College Campus, 3835 Freeport Blvd. There is a group rate for parties of 20 or more, 20 percent off. Parking is free on campus. The Sunday performance on Oct. 26 will be interpreted in American Sign Language.

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