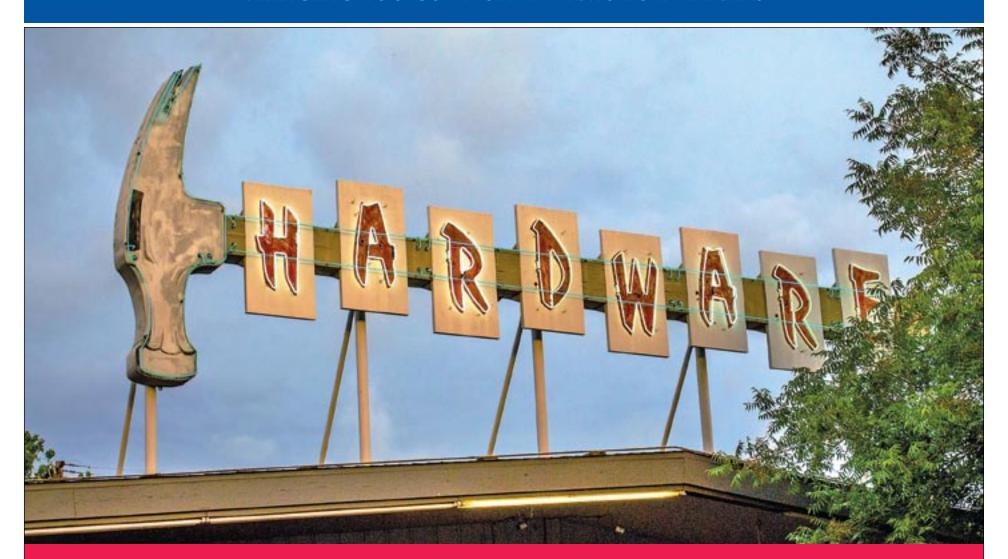
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Shown here is a collection of photographs from T Jae Pope's 100th birthday party celebration held at Land Park Gold and

## **Happy 100th birthday, T Jae Pope!**

Gold and Silver threw customer T Jae Pope an unforgettable 100th birthday party celebration on Wednesday, June 17. Decorated with balloons and featuring cake and family and some friends, the party inside the store came on the heels of a friendly reminder by Ms. Pope.

Silver on Wednesday, June 17. Happy birthday, T Jae!

A few years ago Jeff told her that if she could make it to her hundredth birthday he would Ms. Pope did not forget. However, when the time came, she told him that earrings hurt her

Judy and Jeff Montgomery of Land Park ears. So at the birthday celebration, Judy and Jeff presented Ms. Pope with a beautiful diamond pendant.

"She was one of our first customers coming in," Jeff told the Land Park News. "She has had coins she's accumulated over the years and occasionally she would come into the store. She is someone who appears to be fragile," Jeff said, "But, she doesn't send people in. She brings her dog with her and give her a pair of diamond earrings. And sweet her son. So, this is about her endurance. It's awesome to see her out."

-Monica Stark



## I remember Daddy

**By LEIGH STEPHENS** 

I remember as a little girl following my dad through bushes and thickets while he hunted quail, and I fidgeted in his boat while he fished. Neither sport took for me because when I got to be about 12 years old, I decided I was too old for that "boy stuff," and Daddy banned me from the boat because he said I talked too much and scared the fish. We ate every bird he shot and every fish he caught.

Daddy always had a yard full of bird dogs that he didn't like for me to play with. When his bird dog "Lady" had a litter of pups, Daddy said his dogs were being trained to be hunting dogs. I had to limit putting doll clothes on my a pet dog, "Penny," and my Persian kitty named "Joe."

Throughout my childhood, he continued to take me everywhere with him: to his work at the basket factory, to the peanut fields on our farm and to take truckloads of peanuts to town to sell. He tolerated me "helping" up on the ladder while he painted our house. He loved baseball, and I remember playing in the park while his team played against another. I remember summer evenings when he'd take me to the ballpark to see the minor league teams play. I remember the hot weather and can still taste the cold Cokes and salted peanuts.

I learned so much about life from my father while growing up. He was a patient man, easy-going, although I remember several wallops for things like climbing his new peach trees when he told me not to, and climbing up in the barn loft where he thought it was too danger-

Mother was the rule maker, and Daddy was the softie. There was never any question about how much we loved each other nor of how proud he was of me. I grew up from babyhood to adulthood the mirror image of my father: black hair, brown eyes, big feet. I was a "daddy's girl" and until the day he died, he called me "Baby."

Not only did I learn about practical things from him, but I learned a lot about people. Daddy was basically a simple, happy

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## Curtis Park streetlight replacement project to start soon

According to the City of Sacramento Department of Utilities, the Curtis Park Streetlight Replacement project is scheduled to start soon. This project only concerns streetlights in the area bound by East Curtis Drive, Sutterville Road, Franklin Blvd and Curtis Way. This project started in 2012 when it was discovered that the underground wiring to these streetlights is failing and needs to be replaced. The City also found some of the streetlight posts were in bad condition and either needed to be refurbished or replaced.

Project information from the Department of Utilities: The construction bid for this project was advertised and

bids were received in February. The construction is expected to begin in late spring or early summer of 2015. It is difficult to set the completion time frame because this project involves inspecting each existing cast iron streetlight carefully and, if possible, refurbishing it prior to reinstalling it close to its existing location. There are many uncertainties in this process. Nonetheless, the City is hoping to complete the construction by the end of 2015.

A bid advertisement in 2014 related to the Curtis Park Streetlight Improvement project was for the procurement of the cast iron streetlight poles. That procurement required that the manufacturer produce casting molds and prototypes of cast iron streetlights identical to existing ones. It took the manufacturer more than six months, but they were able to meet the procurement requirement. The new cast iron streetlights will be needed to replace the existing fiberglass, steel pipe, and those that are not refurbishable. Union Metal of Ohio made the original Curtis Park streetlights decades ago and they are making the new streetlights using the original casts.

There will be some trenching in the neighborhood to install underground conductors and conduits. A new foundation will be built close to each existing streetlight for a refurbished or new cast iron streetlight. The existing foundation will be removed or abandoned. This part of the work will occur at the beginning of the construction and should be completed within two months. The City will inspect and supervise this work to ensure it is done properly and with minimum impact on the neighborhood. Prior to the work, the contractor will be required to post notice along with names and numbers of persons that neighbors

may contact with any questions.

The new or refurbished lights will be equipped with LED luminaires with the same color temperature as the existing ones, but will consume less than 50% of the existing energy and last more than 15 years. Previous neighborhood concerns regarding the color of certain types of LED street lights might be valid years ago, but the industry has addressed this

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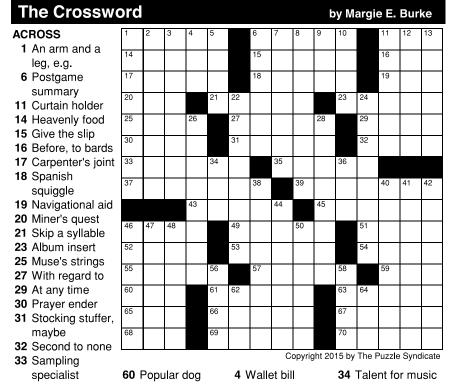
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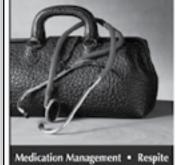
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## Herbert, Inez Yee celebrate 70th wedding anniversary

By LANCE ARMSTRONG

reached a milestone in their At first she saw me at the marriage earlier this week Stanford bookstore mayas they celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Their special day was observed with a Chinese meal sert at the Yees' South Land Park home.

Stanford University in the summer of 1943.

In recalling that moment, Herbert said, "I was already at Stanford for one year and I noticed a pretty Chinese girl. I knew she was Chinese, because all of the Japanese were already taken to (war- Chinese club meeting, Her-

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we were at war with Japan. And so, I stopped my car Herbert and Inez Yee and I saw her at the quad. be a week earlier. So, anyway, the next time, I saw her standing in front of what we called the quad, right with family and friends at in the middle of Stanford. Macau Café, just south of And I stopped (the car), and the Sacramento Zoo, fol-strangely I had the only car lowed by a gathering for des- at Stanford (at that time). I said, 'What is your name? And she said, 'Inez Fong.' Herbert and Inez's meet- And I said, 'Are you intering is a Stanford love story, ested in attending our Chias they met while attending nese Student Club meeting? I'm the president.' She said, 'OK.' So, I said, 'We'll come pick you up tomorrow.' But the 'we' was just me. I ain't gonna bring the four other guys with me."

time) relocation camps, and

During the following day, in addition to attending the



Herbert and Inez Yee were married in the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sacramento on June 24, 1945.

bert and Inez walked to various places around the Stan- der," Herbert said. "She was many things to love about ford campus, including Lake there (at Stanford) for 90 Inez, he commented that Lagunita.

er he "hit it off with Inez," wanted to study chemison that day, Herbert said, "I don't remember whether I tried to kiss her or not, ical plant." but I remember she said, 'That wasn't too good,' or something like that. Well, I guess I wasn't a lover like lian-American actor who was known for his romantic so, that's the beginning."

short-lived experience.

days. She didn't have the her cooking ability at that Äfter being asked wheth- money to stay there. Inez time was not one of them. try, because she did get a fessor at Stanford, but she job at the Westvaco chem- was a painting professor, but

Inez, who grew up in Niles (now part of Fremont), was then residing in downtown an opening for a cooking in-Palo Alto with a lady who Errol Flynn (the Austra- Herbert then referred to as for cooking. So, when I go "elderly."

roles in films). But anyhow, ter thinking back on label- a young boy hoping to get ing that lady in that manner, a home cooked meal from Herbert mentioned that and then said, "(Inez was two ladies, But neither of Inez's time as a student on only like 17, 18 years old) the Stanford campus was a and this lady (Mrs. Yang) was in her 50s."

"She was a 90-day won- Although Herbert found

"(Mrs. Yang) was a prothere was no job as a painting professor," Herbert recalled. "So, they said there's structor. So, she got the job and visit Inez and this oth-But Herbert chuckled af- er lady, Mrs. Yang, here is them knew how to cook.

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## Anniversary:

I sat there and waited and waited, but finally I gave up and went back and went to a Chinese restaurant to eat. Oh, they did open up a can burned that."

ford after Inez's three-month versity.

her chemistry studies.

ed, Herbert said, "Although I said, 'How do you like my (tall). So, when I told her that, she never came back."

inches tall.

Herbert eventually presented Inez with a diamond engagement ring, which was purchased in San Francisco.

Presbyterian Church at 1300 N St. on June 24, 1945.

By 1952, Herbert, who would later spend many years working as a den- his wife also have nine tist, had been out of den- grandchildren, seven whom

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tal school for four years, and had saved \$4,000. And with a plan to purchase a house, he borrowed another \$5,000 from his father. In speaking about his ef-

fort to buy a house in South Land Park, Herbert said, "I of tomato (soup). They even didn't know there was a covenant. No Orientals or black Herbert remained at Stan- or brown. So, they gave me the runaround. The owners stay at the university had said, 'Well, the sign says for concluded, and he contin- rent. So, he said, No, you talk ued his studies at that insti- to the real estate guy.' The tution. And as for Inez, she real estate guy said, 'Oh, it's moved to San José, because him.' But I found out it was the tuition was less expen- a covenant. I found out what sive at San José State Uni- those guys were doing. So, I saw this (South Land Park) Herbert, in being a year lot, and then I got my faahead of Inez in her studies, ther's neighbor, a white genwould frequently drive to tleman. Just a week before I San José to assist her with was going to buy it (with the assistance of that man), he In recalling a previous said, 'I can't buy it for you. girlfriend that he had dat- I own a Texaco station, and my boss lives a block from my parents were very polite, where you want to buy this girlfriend?' They said, 'Can lose my station.' So, I got my she grow another 2 inches?' lawyer to buy (the lot), and She was too short, like 5 feet so here I am (living in South Land Park for six decades). I moved (into a new house sake, Inez is about 5 feet 3 dent Dwight D.) Eisenhow- marriage to Inez, Herbert way) as long as we can." er got elected - November (4), 1952."

Together, Herbert and Inez had four children, Dr. Randy Yee, who is a retired Herbert and Inez were dentist; Dr. Alan Yee, a pulmarried at Westminster monary doctor; Dr. Wesley Yee, a dentist; and their late son, Dr. Douglas Yee, who was a dentist.

Herbert said that he and



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lot. So, I would get fired or Herbert and Inez Yee, shown September 14, 2013 photograph, recently celebrated their 70th anniversary.

great-grandchildren.

are married, and about 15 said,"We both feel that we're lucky to be able to be to-After being asked to com- gether so many years and we DIRECTORY Fortunately for Herbert's on that lot) the day (Presiment about his 70 years of would like to keep it (that



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## Daddy:

person, always laughing, smiling, telling jokes, and he loved being around people.

Daddy was old-school, born in 1905, the oldest boy of 13 children; 11 of whom lived to adulthood. He was born in Tennessee of a father who farmed and laid rock for a living to feed his family. My Dad only had an eighth grade education, having been taken from school to work on the

As a young man he moved from Tennessee to Georgia where he worked at a basket factory as a mechanic. The job was the same place he worked

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ny didn't have unions or pensions then.

Mother and Daddy met in the small, college town of Americus, Georgia, each having left Kentucky and Tennessee respectively to take jobs. Mother worked for the Manhattan Shirt Company for a number of years.

When they married, Mother was 23 years old and Daddy, 31. I arrived exactly nine months after they married during the worst depression our country had ever known.

For a short period of time while I was a baby, we moved to Arkansas for Dad to get a country jobs and social proof those depression stories where he was paid through for 30 years and was given credit at the country store. Aftwo weeks' notice when the ter not being paid for months,

something like 69 cents in his pocket. Friends took the family in, and soon Daddy was back at the basket factory, and Mother was working at the shirt factory again.

We made another move during World War II to Savannah where I started school. Both parents worked a "Rosey the Riveter," and Daddy worked on ships and served in the Coast Guard on the weekends. He thought Franklin D. Roosevelt was a out of poverty.

When the war ended, we went back to Americus to the sky?" I still tear up when I continue our lives as before. factory closed. The compa- he filled the car with gas and The only difference was that

which became a bakery adding pies and cakes. She was the money-maker, yet Daddy always brought his weekly paycheck home to her. When the basket factory went out of business, he joined her, working in the bakery and delivering food to local businesses.

remember Daddy loved in the shipyards; Mother was the Grand Ole Opry which came on the radio on Saturday nights. I don't think he missed a one. He was always singing country music and gospel songs. When I great president who gave the country jobs and social proinsisted I learn "The TennesMy better job. It turned into one grams that led the country see Waltz." He loved the gospel song, "Will the Circle Be Unbroken, in the sky Lord, in hear that song.

Today when a man walks Day, I miss him so much. I by me wearing "Old Spice," I have to resist following him. My birthday and Christmas Leigh Stephens is a retired jourgifts to Daddy were always nalism professor from CSUS bottles and bottles of "Old and the author of more than Spice" and of course, ties. 500 articles and several books.

drove back to Americus with Mother opened a donut shop During the work week, he wore khaki shirts and pants, but for church and dress up, he would don his one suit with one of his gift ties.

I remember so many things about Daddy: he loved animals, he could fix anything washers, lawn mowers, broken toys; he loved Buicks and old trucks; he didn't cook, but loved "hush puppies;" he adored me. You couldn't touch the newspaper until he had read it and his favorite comics. I named both my sons after him, William Jay and John

My father was a remarkable man, born in a remarkable time. My wish for every child born today is that they have a dad half as wonderful as mine. Of course on Fathers' love you, Daddy.



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concern by producing luminaires that are in the warm color range. The "temperature" of colors of LED luminaires is measured on the kelvin scale. The higher on the scale, the cooler the color. The cooler white LED luminaires, prevalent five to 10 years ago, were in the 6000 Kelvin. They were made at the higher Kelvin in order to maximize the light Source: Sierra Curtis Neighborhood output per watt of energy. LED luminaires Association Concerns Committee

nowadays are much more efficient, so the industry is able to make them in lower Kelvin while still able to gain more light output per watt. The existing luminaires in the Curtis Park area are in the 4000 K color temperature. The new LED luminaires will be of the same 4000 K. The only difference is in their power consumption which will be less than 50 percent of the existing ones.









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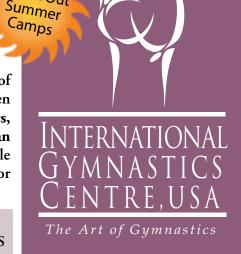
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## Matías Bombal's Hollywood

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The MPAA has rated this R Sony Pictures Classics brings us some very talented actors in an allegorically told existential tale "Aloft". In it, we delve into the emotional separation of a mother and son played by Jennifer Connelly and Cillian Murphy. The story is told in two storylines, past and present, and centers around a central childhood tragedy. Set in a frigid, grey and bleak iced over world in the great north, Cillian Murphy's mother has followed a healer known as "the architect" played William Shimell who indicates to her that she too has a gift as a healer. Her son has just lost a Falcon that he was nur-

The movie also features the pretty blond actress Mélanie Laurent, as well as Oona Chaplin, who recently did a nice turn in the romantic "The Longest Ride" the latest screen adaptation of a Nicholas Sparks book.

the "Architect". He is bitter

and resentful.



Shown here, is Cillian Murphy in ALOFT, which is playing now at Tower Theatre.

by a talented and intellectu- running time do you find al movie maker from Peru, out how things tie togeth-Claudia Llossa. This is her er, but before then you are third feature, and first in turing, in later life, and as we English. I found this to be see in the modern section of a movie that would appeal the movie, he will become de- to other actors, for it offers voted to falconry. Yet as an a great study in the craft of adult, he is betrayed by her acting. However, with all of mother's abandonment of he its sophistication and mood, and his brother in favor of it will fail to please the moviegoer out to be entertained present are not clearly deof what you are looking at or this to the very end was un-

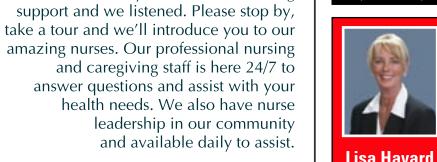
This picture is directed the end of 112 minutes of left wondering what is going on. So you are left with a desire to leave, but intrigued by fine performances by capable actors. This movie was a frustrat-

ing experience for me at best. I may only view movies with in a dream. In a recent interior is for the intrepid moviegoer the collective amalgam of for a night at the movies. my own experience-just as as saying she did not want it way of seeing a story told for This is because the past and each of us. I try to open my to be so clear. She is success- the screen might be an attracmind for other possibilities fined, and you are not sure and viewpoints, yet watching walked into a room where This is by no means a bad when it occurs in the narra- satisfactory for me; I longed to figure out what they were It is non-traditional, a case of tive. It is a very difficult mov- for some element in the story all talking about. You long art cinema, which like perforie to watch. The narrative it- to grab on to, rather than the for a familiar face... anything, mance art without a narrative, self is not linear, so only at feeling of wandering around and no luck. So this picture may seem a jumble to many.

view, the director was quoted only, where a non-traditional ful in her goal. It is as if you tive aspect. For me it was not. you knew no one and tried move, nor is it poorly made.

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## Elks Lodge, No. 6 sent veterans off to D.C. in patriotic style

By MONICA STARK

About 93 veterans from Northern California were presented the royal treatment with a lavish dinner at tial bombardment. His batthe Elks Lodge No. 6 on June 3 before flying out of Sacrathe following day to Washington D.C. At no cost to the talion received a presidential veterans, the "Honor Flight," as the annual trip has been called since its inception in 2005, brings joy and rever- nessed the flag raising on Iwo ence to the vets as they were Jima and his battalion was bit of urging from his wife of met with hundreds of sup- awarded their second presi- 66 years, Anne Muljat. "I told porters who thanked them dential citation. for their service. The trip also included visits to war memo- 91 helping with maintenance she said he couldn't stop talkrials and the Arlington Cem- around the lodge as part of etery as well as food and ho- the P.M. Crew, Clarence says tel lodging. For years, many local war used to be. "But, they all work

veterans never had the chance with me. It works out. They D.C. However, with the help of the North Coast Honor man, who said, "(The Honor Flight) gives these folks a the next morning. chance to be visible again, to be validated as real whole human beings, that have had a

plaints whatsoever."

On the night of the din-

Speaking in more detail

events. Clarence said. "I heard

about the dinner at the last

minute. I went to (the dinner)

to see if I could go next year

One of the vets came up to me.

big history. Local Élks members Clarence Facha and Tony Mulso veterans who were honored for their service. The lodge driveway and some As soon as he found out I was of the landscape were lined in World War II, he said he'll with more than 120 American flags, and there was also a He had me sit at his table and flag line made up by members wait. Then he came back and of the Patriot Guard Riders, a said, 'Go home and pack.' So group that attends the funer- we (Clarence's wife Marilyn als for veterans, police officers and he) rushed home, packed and firefighters and that also up and came back to the Elks. partakes in community patriotic events like the one held at the Elks Lodge, No. 6.

Asked about how he enjoyed the trip, Clarence, a World War II veteran, said, "It was was very nice," a wonderful trip. I can't say anything bad about it. People met us at the airport. It was unbelievable. They shook our hands. It brought tears to my eyes. It was really nice. I felt like a hero, which I am not."

Just out of high school, Clarence joined the Marines. phibious tanks after the ini-Although he had a "farm deferment," his friends had talion was on the extreme left

joined, so he went. As part flank which, because of its ex- and be with different peo- was also very rousing. They posure, suffered the worst of of the first wave of Marines on Saipan Island on June 15, the counterattack. His bat-1944, he went in with am-talion received a Presidential phibious tanks after the inicitation for their heroic eftalion was on the extreme left February 23, 1945, Clarence like this. I felt honored to be witnessed the flag raising on flank which, because of its exmento Metropolitan Airport posure, suffered the worst of Iwo Jima and his battalion the counterattack. His batwas awarded their second Presidential citation. Similar to Clarence, Tony citation for their heroic efforts. Nine months later, on also made the decision to Feb. 23, 1945, Clarence wit-

board the Honor Flight at the last minute, but with a little him to go. Go, go," she said, jo-Still active in the Elks at age vially. And when he returned ing about the trip.
"It was great," said Tony. his eyesight is not what it

"I had the chills. Everything was up to par. Every place we went to, we were welcomed to visit the memorials created treat me very nice. They are highly. We had ample transto honor them in Washington nice people. I have no com- portation and met a lot of people. We had time to observe different things in the Flight, that changed and is ner at the Elks, there was one area. The changing of the now nationwide. Quoted in available seat, unbeknownst guards at the Arlington Cemthe Elks newsletter was the to Elks leaders, so the seat etery was one of the highfollowing description from was offered to Clarence who lights. The cemetery is acres Steven Justus, North Coast after the dinner ran home, and acres of white tomb-Honor Flight Co-Chair- packed his bags at the last stones. People were there visminute before the departure iting from all over the country. Clarence and I saw each other at different intervals. about that exciting turn of He went one way, I went another way. We hooked up with different people. That was part of our trip. It will be something I will remember iat were amongst the 93 or (on the Honor Flight). There the rest of my life, doing this were so many veterans there. and I was honored and gratified that I could take this trip

ple and be on the flights. We

picked by our lodge to go on this trip." One of the veterans who partook in the Honor Flight was Eureka resident Frank Scolari, whose granddaughin nearby Hollywood Park. With a little bit of urging from his friends at the Elks in Eureka, Frank said, "They sort of had me prepared for the trip, but I was not prepared in the least. It was overwhelming. I don't think Elvis Presley would've gotten a more rousing welcoming than we did. We had letters from family and schools duty. (The event at the Elks)

were out in the parking lot had nice accommodations, a welcoming us. It was our first good hotel; food was ample. meeting.(Coming from vari-It was for the veterans. I nev- ous Northern California arforts. Nine months later, on er thought they had anything eas), we all had to get down to Sacramento. The honor guard troops were all there. When we came off plane, everything was lined with service men holding flags and there were people there behind them. I almost wanted ter, Melissa, and family live to re-enlist. My army blood is boiling again. Every place in Sacramento, had a police escort. It was just amazing. I go back to the days of Vietnam when we were almost hated for being over there and Korea was a forgotten war. They were nothing like World War II. Now everything is turned around and people thank you for vour service. The pendulum and such thanking us for our has swung all the way back, which is good."







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Faces and Places:

## **Doggy Dash**

Photos by STEPHEN CROWLEY

Dogs and their owners seemed to have had a barking good time at this year's SSPCA Doggy Dash in Land Park on Sat-



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#### **Free Young Adult Bereavement** Counseling:

The UC Davis Hospice Program and UC Davis Children's Hospital Bereavement Program will offer an eight-week Young Adult Bereavement Art Group for individuals 17 to 24 who are coping with the recent loss of a loved one. The sessions will be held on eight consecutive Monday evenings from Sept. 29 through Nov. 17. Each session will be held from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the UC Davis Home Care Services Building, 3630 Business Dr., Suite F.

#### Sacramento Zoo needs wheelchairs

The Sacramento Zoo is looking for a few "gently used" wheelchairs, 808-5888. Your wheelchair can be a tax deductible donation, and four zoo tickets will be offered as a thank you.

#### Support group for alienated grandparents

Meeting is the last Friday of each month at 2717 Cottage Way, suite 4. Meeting is at noon. 761-9121.

#### Register for city of Sacramento's technology program for adults age 50-plus

The winter/spring 2015 session of Tech-Connections, a comprehensive technology literacy program designed specifically for ito's residents age 50-plus, will begin at the Hart Senior Center and selected community centers in late January. Class de scriptions, dates, times, and locations will be included in the "TechConnections Winter/Spring 2015 Class Catalog" on the city of Sacramento's Older Adult Services web site. Offerings range from one-on-one assistance sessions to six-part classes, with start dates through late April. Registration day for all offerings is at 1 p.m. on Jan. 16 at the Hart Senior Center, 915 27th St. Continue ing registrations will be taken weekdays at Hart Senior Center until all classes are full. For inquiries, call 808-5462 or visit: http:// portal.cityofsacramento.org/ParksandRec/ Recreation/older-adult-services/Programs/ TechConnections

#### Run with a Recruiter

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#### **Emotions Anonymous**

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step program/support group for those who lesire to become well emotionally healthy. Acquire a new way of life, sharing experience es, and learning to live with unsolved emotional problems. Meets Tuesday 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Parkside Community Church 5700 South Land Park Dr.;

Tuesday 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Sierra Arden Church of Christ, 890 Morse Ave (at Northrup), Room F-4. Thursday 7 – 8:30 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd,1615 Morse Ave. (at Arden Way) left of choir room. An optional newcomer orientation occurs on Saturdays from 1 to 1:30 p.m. at Wellness Recovery Center, 9719 Lincoln Dr. Ste. 300. Also on Saturday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., there will be a topic for discussion at WRC, 9719 Lincoln Dr., Ste. 300,

#### **Mahogany Urban Poetry Series**

- Queen Sheba - poetry readings Each Wednesday from 8-11 p.m. at Queen Sheba in Sacramento, local talent makes it way to the restaurant for weekly open-mic events. \$3-\$5. 1704 Broadway.

#### Youth Connections Unlimited announces fundraising campaign

nization can reduce recidivism for crimes mmitted by youths by up to 70 percent? Youth Connections Unlimited has been providing mentoring and other services to carcerated and probationary youth for over ten years that gives youth tools for stay ing outside the juvenile justice system. YCU works with the Sacramento County Probaion Department with a focus on re-entry mentoring and preventative programming with a commitment to the principles of Restorative Justice. The support youth get from YCU and its volunteers gives hope to Sacramento County youth, make communities safer and save taxpayers money. For more information, call David Taft at 835-1147 or visit http://www.sacycu.com

#### **Brain Gymnasium**

Exercise your mind and have some fun at this on-going Brain Gymnasium class! Inviting all seniors to Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Free port Boulevard, 9:20 a.m. Thursdays, \$6 per class. Call 441-1015 for more information

#### **Women with Good Spirits** monthly meeting

Each second Tuesday of the month at Revolu tion Wines at 6:30 p.m., Women With Good Spirits invites a community non-profit to present on its mission work. The presenter will start their presentation promptly at 7:15 p.m. and will last 15-20 minutes with an open ques tion and answer forum after. RSVP is appreciated as well as a \$5+ donation per person that will go directly to the non-profit presenting that month. 2831 S St. Visit www.womenwithgood spirits.com or find the group on Facebook.

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

Originally created by the Sacramento Cor nunity Services Planning Council, the Community Housing Coalition (CHC) was created as a vehicle to provide information and educate community leaders and decision makers regarding housing for low income, disabled and older adults. CHSC monthly meetings are free and open to the public; they are held from 9:30 to 11 a.m. am on the last Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Sacramento Sheriff's South Area Office Community Room at 7000 65th Street, Sacramento (the Sacramento County Voters Registrar Building). At each meeting a guest speaker is invited to attend and give a 30-minute presentation with 10 minutes for Q&A. Speakers are selected for their expertise and knowledge in their respective fields, and agencies/organizations. The speakers are encouraged to provide handouts, fliers, and other information al materials to the 15 to 30 attendees. If you have any questions, please contact either: Alex Eng at 424-1374; email xeng916@ sbcglobal.net; or Cindy Gabriel at 916/732-6189; email cynthia.gabriel@smud.org.

#### **Gentle Qi Gong**

Learn powerful relaxation techniques reduce stress, reduce physical pain and emotional suffering, lower blood pressure, increase immune response and improve balance. Inviting all seniors to Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Freepon Boulevard, 3 to 4 p.m., Wednesdays. \$7 per class. Call 441-1015 for more information.

#### Soroptimist International of Sacramento South meetings

A service organization dedicated to insure the status of women and girls, the group meets at Aviator's Restaurant, 6151 Freeport Blvd. for lunch and to discuss the day's topic. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 12:15 p.m.

#### **South Sacramento Rotary club meetings**

Did you know that one Sacramento orga-Every Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m., South Sacramento Rotary meets for lunch at the Iron Grill located at 2422 13th St. (near Broadway). Rotary is one of the largest service organizations serving local, national and international charities through community service and good fellowship. For more information, contact Michael DiGrazia at 396-7244.

#### Learn tips for telephone use in an emergency June 26: Your telephone can be a life sav-

er. You can use it to call for help, to receive emergency announcements and check on loved ones. When there is an emergency, do you have a backup plan if cell towers o telephone lines are disabled? In this FREE workshop, we will provide some things for you to think about in the event of an emergency. In addition, we will review basic safe ty tips for Natural Gas and Electricity. Free of charge. Pre-registration is required. Class will be held from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Dr. For de tails, call 393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

#### Fire Station 10 Open House

June 27: Fire Station 10, located at 5642 66th St., will have an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Meet firefighters and possibly mascot Sparky.

#### Sex trafficking resource fair called: "Break the Chains: Stand with Us in the Fight to End Sex Trafficking"

June 27: The resource fair will include information about sex trafficking locally. There will be speakers and a showing of the documentary "In Plain Sight" at 6 p.m. at Riverside Weslevan Church, 6449 Riverside Blvd

#### A Midsummer Night's Dream & Crystal Ice Cream Fantasy at Fairvtale Town

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#### **Pocket Area Against Sex Traffick**ing (PAAST) event

June 27: Come out and learn about the different organizations in Sacramento dedicated to fighting sex/human trafficking. There will be a variety of organizations at the resource fair as well as speakers and a film to fully inform you of this epidemic. As a community, we can make a difference! This event is free of charge. 6 to 9 p.m.; Riverside Wesleyan Church, 6449 Riverside Blvd.

#### Neighborhood emergency training in Spanish

July 29: The Sacramento Police Department will be hosting a neighborhood emer gency training in Spanish from 10 a.m. oon at La Familia Counseling Center, 5523 34th St

#### Self defense for seniors

June 29-July 1: Today's world is riddled with crime and senior citizens are often the victims. Some see them as easy targets but this does not mean that seniors are helpless There are self-defense techniques that seniors can use to protect themselves; this is not a Martial Arts class - there will be no throwing or falling. Wear comfortable clothing. If you have long fingernails, cut them or wear gloves to class. Pre-registration and pre-payment of \$15 required. Class will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. beginning June 29 thru July 1, 2015 at ACC Senior Services. 7334 Park City Drive. For details, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

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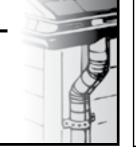
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## **About the cover photograph**

The cover photograph was shot by local Dunnigan Realtor Sheila Van Noy who has been a professional photographer long before she started selling homes. "I have been taking pictures since I was a little girl, but became serious about it in my last year of college," Sheila says. "At that point I just wanted a four-year degree so I could get on with my life and get a decent job. I took a photography class and absolutely loved it and knew that was what I wanted to do."

Sheila and her husband Bob both attended the Fishback School of Photography where they learned the zone system inside and out. Black and white was the medium. Bob was a natural at shooting buildings and they began a niche business of architectural photography. "We did everything – shot, processed film and printed. Color came to be the standard, so we processing machine and beswitched to color and had to out lab our work," she says.

At the time, a young family decided this wasn't going to and introduce them to the arts."



Shown here is the well-known Hollywood Hardware sign as photographed by our featured artist. Sheila Van Nov. After many years, Denny Messner sold Hollywood Hardware to his friend Tom Tognetti who happens to be a successful Bay Area hardware store owner

work so they bought a color gan to do all of that in-house.

Sheila's inspirations have been to "do something fun and be able with expenses, the Van Noys to stay home with the children

**Solution to Crossword:** 

hoto by Bob Van No

Shown here is Sheila Van Noy, the featured artist of this publication.

In terms of inspirational artists she admires those include: Ansel Adams, Galin Rowell, Dewitt Jones and Joe Van Os.

When the economy went into a deep downturn, Sheila decided she would start a career in real estate, but she still does all of the color printing for Bob. He had always liked buildings, wide angle and things that did not move. "I liked telephoto, animals and landscapes. When things went digital we were both excited," she says."Now we could tweak the photos and turn them into what we wanted. A certain freedom was on the horizon."

Sheila thought maybe she could meld her photography and real estate career and she just recently started a Facebook page called Sacramento Cap- at Town and Country and Patured. With this, she hopes "to vilions, the Dunnigan Realtors be more of a Billy Cunninghan and Dunnigan Sierra Oaks art keeps me sane.



Shown here is Bob Van Noy, husband to featured artist, Sheila Van Noy.

quirkiness of Sacramento. It is a work in progress."

Sheila has shown at local events and venues, including The Sacramento Art Festival

and show the beauty and the shows, functions close to Land Park and a local coffee shop.

"I have not had the time to really introduce my art to the world - it is a work in progress. All I know is I see pictures wherever I go and I love to share them. It is my passion and it

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## Over the Fence

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#### Iconic Hollywood Park Hardware has been sold

Hollywood Hardware, Sacramento for 48 years, has been sold. I was getting my car washed over at Gem Auto Wash when I heard the news. The blood rushed from my face cause I was mad I had to fill and I felt a bit clammy when I heard it. First thing I'thought was, "What about the neon hammer atop the building?" I was worried a giant international conglomerate would be taking over the store.

I sped over to Hollywood Hardware to ask Susan, the manager, about the sale and she was a bit tightlipped. I could tell something had happened.

I think Susan knows I LIKE TO SPILL THE BEANS.

I was able to track down longtime Hollywood Hardware owner Denny Messner time. The guy who bought it is a really good friend of mine."

It happened between two friends and it happened very that's the quickest negotiation I've ever been a part of."

I joked, "Oh so you did it on a cocktail napkin, huh?"

Denny added, "I really think he's gonna take us from a great hardware store to a su-

"I am so proud of my emsome really good ideas and he knows the kind of store that we are." That's why Denny agreed to go with him.

The new owner of Hollywood Hardware is Tom Tognetti. He has a few successful stores in the Bay Area belt. including Pagano's Hardware in Alameda and Fredericksen Hardware & Paint in San Francisco. He knows the nuts and bolts of running a successful hardware store.

been a part of Denny Mess- a ski bum.

ner for most of his life. The Messners is the only family that has ever owned the store. Denny's mother and father opened it in 1948 when he was 7 years old. "I swept the which has been a fixture in floor and learned how to cut keys," he said.

He also grudgingly filled paint thinner cans at the store. I probably quit every day bepaint thinner cans," Messner

He took over the family business in 1964 when his father moved to Placerville. Denny eventually bought MeTV all day. He's got slopes the hardware store in 1975 from his dad. "I was actually my dad's landlord!" he said.

İ did sense that what Denny will miss most about Hollywood Hardware are the customers. He likes standing around the store and talking to customers. He said, "I could do that forever."

"Our customers.....I love 'em. I've been around there for by phone and he told me, "It's so long and people know that I've been there so if they want to find me they usually come there. It's like old home, week every week. You see somebody quickly. My lawyer told me you haven't seen for awhile. It's a nice existence."

> He added, "The part I don't like is all the paperwork stuff."

I asked Denny what he's gonna do now that he's retired from the hardware store biz and he said, "I don't know what the heck I'm gonployees and I really think Tom na do between 9 (a.m.) and is going to do as good or better 1 in the afternoon. I'll figure job as I've been doing. He's got something out. But, that's the only thing I'm a little worried about. I feel like I'm 25."

I'm sure Denny will find plenty to do. He likes to stay active. Not only does he like to play a weekly round of golf, he's also a six-degree black-

Denny said, "I still work the martial arts, and spar and kickbox, and all that stuff."

He's also an avid skier. He had a place up in Truckee for 30 years and he'd take Janu-Hollywood Hardware has ary and February off and be



Park. It's the park's first new

ride in 25 years! It's a whirl-

wind type of carnival ride

with a big tree in the middle

Hollywood Hardware has been sold, but the neon hammer will still burn bright

I doubt Denny will be sitting in a La-Z-Boy recliner outpouring of emotion. "It in his living room watching felt very special." to explore!

Denny also has a special fondness for his employees. He told me, "I got Susan and Jeff and Barbara together and took them over to Marie Callender's (Restaurant and Bakery) and told them about selling the store. They all cried."

Denny was touched by the and log-like seats for kids to spin around in. The new ride is made in

America. It comes from the same ride manufacturer New Carnival Ride that made the popular Fly-At Funderland ing Dragon roller coaster that was added to Funder-There's a new ride at the Funderland Amusement land in 1992.

> Funderland is even having a contest to name the new ride.

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Photo by Greg Brown Funderland manager John Edds proudly stands in front of the new unnamed carnival ride at the park.



Eskaton resident Jean Stafford, who likes old cars, gets ready to ride. Jean said, "My first car was a

## Over the Fence:

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Funderland Manager John Edds said, "We want to be part of Sacramento's fabric." That's why they wanted to get the local community involved with the naming of the ride. Sacramentans have been flooding their Facebook page with numerous catchy suggestions including The Squirrel Twirl, The Enchanted Oak, Rain Forest Log Swing and simply,

The park will narrow it down to three names and then put it up to a vote on their Facebook page. Social media sized democracy at Funderland!

They ditched the popular Log Run for various reasons including the long wait times, the heavy maintenance required, as well as the fourth year of drought in California. Edds said, "We're trying to be a better business operator." However, he did mention they may have space for a new water ride once this drought finally lets up.

The new swing ride is not in operation yet; they still have to get the green light from the Department of Occupational Safety and Health, which will inspect the ride. Once they pass the inspection, there should be a whirlwind of activity at Funderland.

The new, as of yet named, carnival ride should be

ready for screaming kids in July.
I like the name Swinging Logs. Let's hope I win!

## Big barbecue bash at Eskaton

Eskaton Monroe Lodge in Land Park. They had their annual barbecue bash with classic cars, live was greeted with, "Well, look who's here, darling music, and lots of good eats and refreshments.

The music of Art and Ron and the Riverbend Folk Band was perfect for the occasion. The folk at the Eskaton! duo played everything from Marty Robbins to Bob Dylan. They had a nice rendition of the clashouse. One of the residents of the facility, Marjorie Golden Girls got together for a reunion. LeDonne told me, "I was watching the show from above on the fourth floor looking for misbehavior... there wasn't any."

She decided to come down for the food and festivities anyway. "Ringside seats!" she exclaimed.

Everybody was so friendly at the barbecue. I spoke with Winnie Hertzen. She's a longtime with a rumble seat. The blue Balshor-Mobile resident who was out front waiting for family made an appearance, too! to join her. Winnie said, "The food is wonder-



Shown here is the only thing left of the Carl's Jr. on Freeport Boulevard in Hollywood Park.

1953 Studebaker,

ful. The workers are great, and we're fortunate to live here." She added, "the classic cars are so nice, too."

She boasted how she runs the bingo at Eska-They really know how to throw a party at the ton and is also President of the Residents Association. That's when a friend of hers came up and girl!" Hugs ensued.

Sounds like Winnie is a mover and a shaker over

The barbeque bash was a great way for fellow residents, friends, and family to get to know each other sic Dylan tune "Don't Think Twice It's Alright". The better. There were lots of good-natured wisecracks site superintendent Carl Miller, no relation to Carl's folks, gathered on the patio, had the best seats in the at one of the tables on the patio. It was like the Jr., he told me they're "keeping the slab but it will be

There were plenty of classic cars at the barbeque bash too. Lots of camaraderie between the guys who brought their cars to show off. They and a modern looking building that will include beque bash too. Lots of camaraderie between the were part of a group called Challengers Sacramento. They had a 1952 Plymouth Station wagon, a '57 Chevy Bel-Air, even a 134 Ford Coupe

Old cars equals a good time.

Everybody seemed to be having a good time at the Eskaton BBQ Bash. That's what it's all about.

#### Carl's Jr. gets the wrecking ball

Demolition crews using heavy equipment have been busy tearing down the Carl's Jr. on Freeport Boulevard. The terra cotta roof is gone. Torn down. In fact, 90 percent of the building has been torn down.

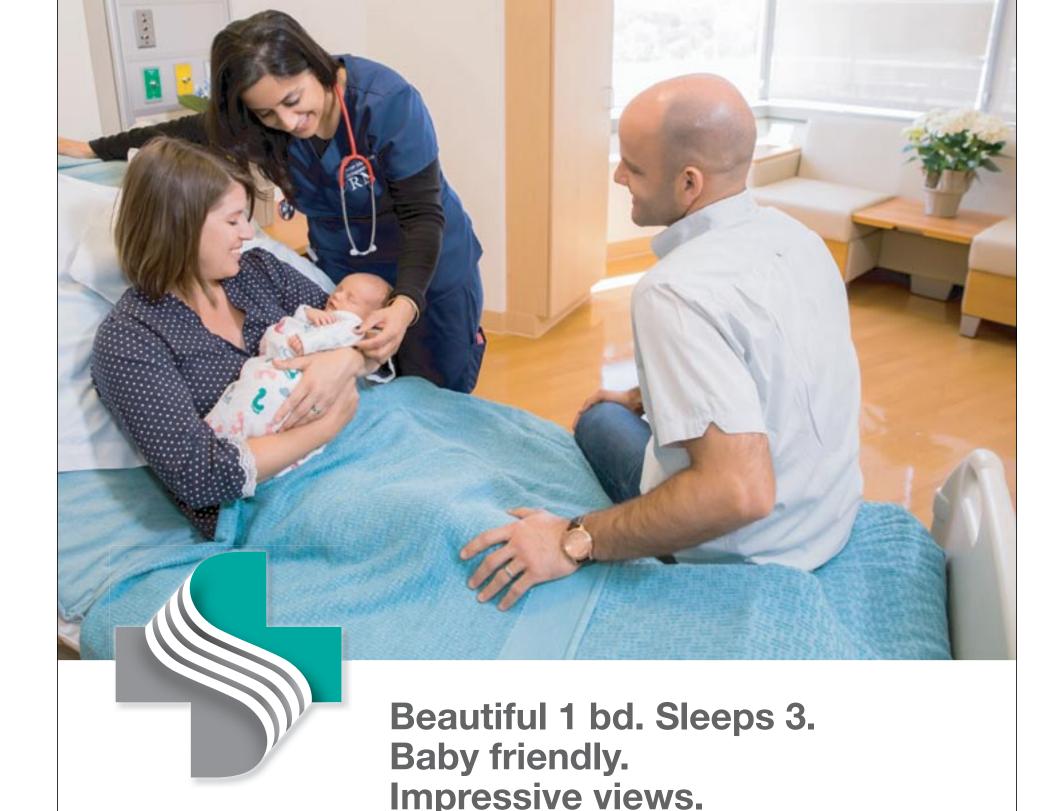
What's happening over there? It's more than just

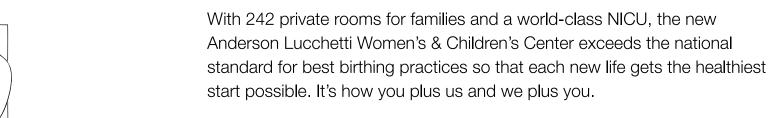
I went to the restaurant location and spoke with an all-new building.

The restaurant with the sexy, err sexist, comthree towers.

The new Carl's Jr./Green Burrito should be ready to serve the Mile High Bacon Cheeseburger in nine weeks, according to Carl Miller.

Got an item for Over The Fence? Greg@valcomnews.com







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