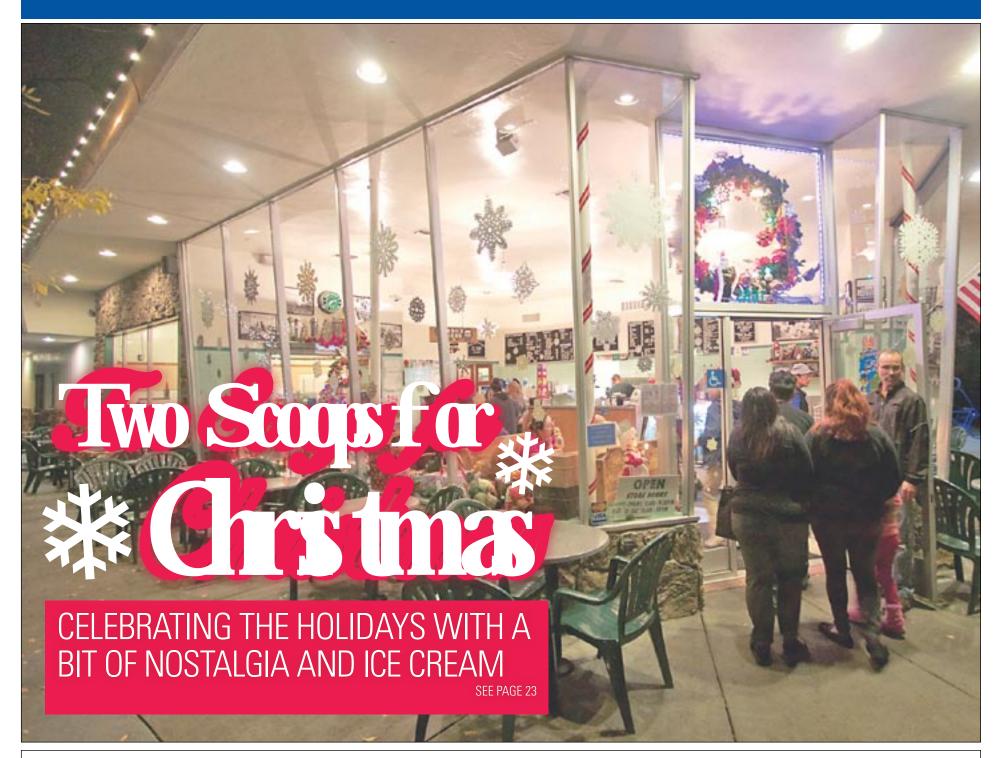
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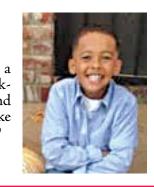
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Will Work for Food

Local photographer trades photos for food for the homeless

"If you can only make a couple of people feel a lil better each day then do it." - Scott Duncan

Sacramentan Scott Duncan loves the art of photography and especially enjoys taking pictures of food for restaurants. Recently his talents have afforded him to trade photos for food for the homeless. Earlier this fall, he photographed a bunch of food at restaurants and they sent him home with extras, which he gave to homeless people in town. He says the result of seeing their faces as they get free amazing food has spawned a group Facebook page, "Will work for food". His Dec. 2 posting described a

lunch he shared in Sutter's Fort Park with a man named Eric, "We had a few good laughs while he demolished a salmon BLT from INK. His bud-

dy Pat woke up and joined us dancthis." Scott wrote.

building he lives in, giving him a free on. "Photography is my passion and help people when I can," he said.

ing around laughing at how good the food was. If you can only make a couple of people feel a lil better each day then do it. I'm just glad that my life is exactly how it is so I can make the time to do simple little things like Sober since 2004, Scott quit his

job to pursue photography, which has been also possible since he manages the apartment and enough money to live I'm glad I found a way to use that to

From salmon BLTs, to a tostada salad, fish tacos, some nachos from INK, to prawns, fish n chips, popcorn shrimp, "etc etc etc" from Railroad Fish 'n Chips, Scott has maybe a dozen or so business owners hitting him up to contribute to this side project.

He photographs food anyhow for Downtown Grid and other freelance work. With "Work for food" he'll go up and he started shooting for Mid- eat it afterwords." That is unless he in and shoot up to three food items town Monthly.

they'd like to showcase on a website for specials in trade for the food which he drops off wherever he finds some homeless that need it. "(I) usually just addition, he has taken photos for Capiride my bike through a park in midtown and find somebody," he said.

Scott bought his first digital camera in 2006 and spent lots of time snapping photos of his foot on the front and Mraz Brewing Company. porch until he figured out the camera, then he shot bands every weekwhich is how Tim Foster picked him

Midtown Monthly was his first major gig shooting most of the content and all of the covers for a couple years. In tol Weekly, Downtown Grid, Coldwell Banker, Steve Hansen campaign photos, photos for Christopher Cabaldon, Go Raw Foods, Jimmy's Barber Garage

While he also shoots weddings, events, portraits and more, with a end trying to get his name out there, smile, he said he mostly loves shooting food because "I usually get to shares it.





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As local women and teens spend the holidays preparing to become new moms in the coming year, the Sacramento Life Center is holding its annual Baby Basket Drive through Dec. 31 so it can continue to provide a basket of needed items to every patient who gives birth in 2016. Donations can be made online at www.saclife.org. Gifts can be made in any increment, but a donation of \$50 buys one basket, which includes and more. Drive this month.



The center is running its annual Baby Basket

"Our patients may come in for a pregnan-

cy test, but they leave with a strong support system and resources," said Marie Leatherby, executive director. "We want to encourage women and teen girls and their partners that they are capable of caring for a child, and we understand the hurdles that they often face - sometimes as simple as wondering if they will be able to afford diapers. These baby baskets give new moms a boost of confidence and needed supplies."

The Sacramento Life Center's mission is to offer compassion, support, resources and free medical care to women and couples facing an unplanned or unsupported pregnancy. The Sacramento Life Center's licensed Sac Valley Pregnancy Clinic includes a primary clinic and two Mobile Medical Clinics that provide all services for free, including pregnancy tests, STD tests, ultrasounds, peer counseling for men and women, education and resource referrals. The nonprofit also offers a school-based teen education program, a 24-hour hotline and a program for women seeking support after having an abortion. For more information about the Sacramento Life Center's Sac Valley Pregnancy Clinic, visit www.svpclinic.com. For more information about the Sacramento Life Center or to make a donation, visit www.saclife.org.



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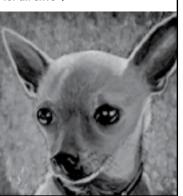
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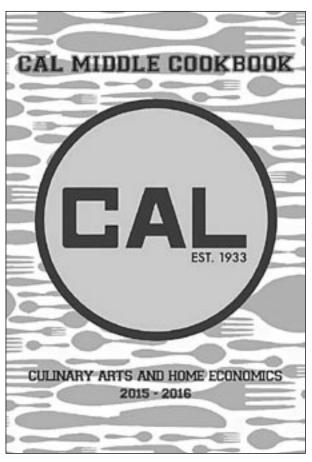
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Cal Middle students release cookbook, just in time for the holidays



The Cal Culinary Arts Cookbook is coming, just in time for your last minute Christmas shopping. For a \$10 donation, you'll get 150 of the culinary students' favorite recipes and a few staff recipes, too! Even Principal Egan's Sour Cream Noodle Bake is included. Contact Mrs. Hankins in Room 18 for your copy. Books will be available the week of Dec 14 to 18 right before school lets out for winter break. Order forms have been sent home with students in Hankins' classes and additional order forms are available for anyone who wants to purchase a book.

There are more than 100 recipes included in the cookbook, most of which were submitted by students as part of their first quarter project in the culinary class. Included in the cookbooks are students' family and favorite recipes, essays about why they're their favorites, and cooking tips such as doubling and halving the recipe ingredients. Additional recipes include those that have been made in the class so far this year, as well as recipes that the class anticipates making in the remainder of the school year. Finally, teachers and staff members were also asked to sub-

There are definitely some recipes that have been kid-tested in the class and some healthy ones. Family submissions have not been tested in

Hankins has three classes of 35 students each who were eligible to contribute to the book and at least 85-90 percent of the students contributed a recipe.

Hankins said most of the recipes they have made so far this year have been positively received by students, even if it was their first time eating that particular food different varieties of bell peppers for example). "I am most excited about the wide variety of recipes that we have in the book. It's divided into six sections: breakfast, appetizers, soups, salads, sandwiches (together in one section), side dishes, main dishes, and desserts. Main dishes and desserts are our biggest sections, and there appear to be a LOT of good recipes I can't wait to try. I love collecting recipes and cookbooks, I don't think you can ever have too many recipes so once I knew I would be teaching this class, this was a project that I definitely wanted to start."

The cookbook is serving as a fundraiser for Cal Middle's Culinary Arts class in addition to what Hankins hopes will be a welcome addition and keepsake in her students' homes. The fees generated will go towards purchasing supplies and ingredients for the remainder of the year, and hopefully help kick-start the program again next year. Hankins anticipates creating a new cookbook every school year, as she has new students to share their favorite fam-

-Monica Stark











Forgotten Sacramento: Vintage vehicle renovations revisited

By JAMES PEYTON

(Editor's Note: In July, 1994, the writer of this article went on a cross-country walk known as the Walk for Justice. What follows are some memories of his journey.)

A tanned young man with posh clothing racks and strong scents of perfume of Macy's. changed in six months and walks by. "Hi, Mark," he says. Cars. Buildings. The hustle and tanned young man is still walkhair. The Sacramento Bee. He of silver aluminum siding, lain the corner. Out comes a feath-Having left the feather behind never stopping until past Mack Road in South Sacramento. After all, after having walked across the country, what's a few more miles? This is Forgotten Sacramento.

That young man was me. That forgotten place is 2101

But in former days, it was called Vintage Vehicle Renovations. The garage like door opened onto S Street with its large green sign of a classic car and its separate green piece with the address numbers in the same font. When you walk in, you smell the oil cheap looking clothes steps off and grease and see the many the bus near the Downtown cars waiting their turns to be Plaza, and walks through the restored. Here's a Model T, there's a Model A. Oh, there's a Packard, a Dodge, a Studebak-He notices how his friend has er, even a Rolls Royce. There were cars from the 1890s to the 1940s. Some looked like a Victorian couch on a set of bustle of Sacramento. Twen- wheels. Don't forget your electy minutes pass, and again the tric and steam cars from the early 1900s, or before. There ing, has a pair of tennis shoes, were Cadillacs, Buicks, severa black jacket, a red bandanna, al Pierce Arrows, Fords, etc. At and a feather tied into his long one time, President Lincoln's wooden horse carriage was passes by a long, worn building even worked on here. Some highlights of cars that came empty for years, and stops at through were a 1909 Hupmobile, 1911 Hupmobile, 1913 er, and a prayer. And a memory. Cadillac, and a 1919 Buick sedan. The boss had his own near the building, he walks on, work vehicles and/or truck with the license plates VVR1, VVR2, and VVR3.

You pass the familiar glass case with the picture of Humphrey Bogart always there, and the antique gold cash register, which was used as the actu-



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Public House Theater re-opens, neighbors celebrate

By MONICA STARK

Talk about a dream deferred. After busting around getting the Public House Theater, the pub theater in year ago, owner Jackie Na- can't do any renovations withdile experienced some unfortunate news that her newly renovated venue wasn't compliant to the Americans with Disabilities Act. The place was bopping when it was open. Neighbors found the local spot as a great hangout. But after inspections, Jackie was told she needed ADA parking and that the bar was not ADA compliant – that it needed to be rebuilt in order to make way for a lower ADA bar. "We had no trouble with our liquor license. It was all permits," she said.

"We got the wrong permits.

city laughed at me and said, 'What is this? We can't use this.' When I saw the blueprints, they were completely wrong. I tried to revise this out an architect or licensed contractor. When you are ignorant, you are behind the 8ball but you learn very quickly... I have the best friends and family in the world pulling me through. Now we're good."
Saturday, Oct. 20 was the

soft opening, but Jackie said so far the pub theater has lost \$20,000 from being closed, and that's not including money put into building to put it up it up to code, which is another \$60,000 to \$70,000.

Closed since the beginning of April, it was about six things in the neighborhood. months with no income for We had to go back to the city the PHT; when it was open, certain way. At beginning they

I submitted the blueprints, the turnouts, especially for sports programming, and premiere showings of short films and acoustic performances.

She's also received great help from her neighbors and Tahoe Park, open about a and do it all myself, but you has made many friends since she began transforming the old Tahoe Market into a cozy pub theater with delicious food made by chef Norma.

Jackie said, "I didn't know anybody before it first opened... they were just our regulars and we just met in the parking lot at the end of the night and called them inventory reduction meetings." "It's been busy all the time,"

said one of the regulars. "We just have to get the word out. One of the great things is the food and now we can do the marketing and start to look at Now, they can do paninis in were doing them at Jackie's

house. Norma does handmade tacos, quesadillas. Food is pretty much homemade and they are pretty creative... I compare (this place) to Cheers. You can go into this place and everyone knows your name. Neighbors that didn't know each other would then come in and they've been getting to know each other. (PHT) opened up this community."

Asked if she's experienced any memorable experiences how close the pub theater is while working behind the bar, to his house. "I like the prox-Norma recalled a time when a man named Tony Wells entered and announced his presence to those in the pub, "I'm Tony Wells. I'm Tony Wells, he ies, but we were coming more said like he was some celebrity. He's been here since day one."

One day when the pub ran ner," Mike said. out of chicken, Norma said one of the regulars, a young always get the wine and Norboy Marco came in with his ma's famous quesadillas are mom requesting Norma's chicken tacos. "When I said I just ran out, (the mom) said, Oh man. Marco, what else do you want?' He said, 'Norma's rowdy crowd. It's the only chicken tacos.' So I ran to the time I won anything in my store to get the chicken."

Talk about customer service! never worked in a restaurant it until you got it."

setting, her mother and sister are good cooks and she enjoys cooking for fun. Mike Grieneisen and Kim

Steinmann have frequented the pub theater a few times a week since opening day. Living just down the street, they enjoy the quick walk to their neighborhood hangout. Mike, who's been nicknamed Jerry Garcia because of his doppelgangerlike appearance, said he loves imity. We can just walk here. There are so few options like it in this part of Sacramento. We've seen a few of the movfor the quesadillas. Just again, let somebody else cook din-

"It's just a friendly place. I pretty damn amazing," Kim added. "I never played Bingo before (coming to a PHT bingo night). But it's fun. It's life. I won a PBR backpack bag. The swag is pretty good. Norma said while she has You didn't know you wanted

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with East Sacramento Little League or Pocket Softball. "This is not a permanent decision, and could always

appropriate support. Support which comes in the form of volunteers. Currentlv we have vacant Board positions this season, and with problem," stated Sara Correa, secretary to the LPPLL Board of Directors.

the Land Park Pacific Lit-

son. Girls are welcome to play

baseball at all levels. If they

choose to pursue softball, LP-

The elimination of softball was a difficult decision and one that was made after careful thought, examination of the past several seasons, discussion of what is best for the to field teams. softball players and lengthy deliberation, Crystal Romeo, league president stated in an email to parents and league supporters. The email was intended to help all understand the decision, as well as some of the challenges the league faces in administering oped program. its programs.

The email continues, as follows:

"Coordinating the details of our baseball program is addition to all of the details that come with the baseball program (like finding practice fields, mangers/coaches, ordering uniforms, scheduling, etc.) softball presents its tremendous challenge. own set of unique challenges. own fields to use. Our league fun for all."

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Land Park Pacific Little League gets rid of girls softball

According to an informa- seldom had enough players to tional update released by create age- and skill-appropriate teams, which became tle League, there will be no an issue and source of comgirls softball available this sea- plaint for the teams we competed against. Additionally, the strength of our program had declined. In fact, we paid PLL recommends registration to have teams in the District TOC only to forfeit for lack of participation.

"It is important to remember that softball typicalreturn in the future, with the ly comprised between five and ten percent of our player membership. Most softball players did not register at the walk-inregistration dates. For the past four seasons, there a large number of current was not enough girls regis-Board member's children ag- tered by the time registration ing out in the next few years, ended to make even one age/ potentially creates another skill appropriate team. Paperwork came in case-by-case and past the deadline, which generated disproportionate additional work for our volunteer team. Based on numbers of interested players at the time of 2015 registration,

In other league news:

Save the date: Tryouts will it would have been impossible

"With two strong softball programs within our District boundaries (East Sac LL and Pocket), we believe that the small number of players League age 8, if you will be 8 who are committed to softball are better served by a more comprehensive, further devel-

"Our league has grown significantly during the past erably higher demands on our volunteers. At the same time, the level of volunan immense undertaking. In teerism has declined, with a number of vacant Board positions for this season. This combination of factors makes administering all of

Games are played inter-dis- take the time to volunteer trict, and we do not have our and hope the 2016 season is



Shown here are Pocket Little League softball players who participated in the annual Spirit of the Pocket Parade on the Fourth

be held Jan. 23-24 (pick one!) Players Little League age 8 and above are required to attend one try-out date at Dooley Field: Saturday, Jan. 23 or Sunday, Jan. 24. You are Little before Aug. 31, 2016. Tryout times will be announced later. In case of rain-out, tryouts will be Jan. 30-31. All players will be placed on age-appropriate teams; there are no "cuts."

In 2015, the league had a record of nearly 600 players. But the league is calling volunteer managers and coaches to step

up more than ever and join the in at the December registra-

1.5 million Little League voltion sessions. New? Thinking unteers. Coach and manag- about it but not sure? Expeer applications will be on the rienced managers and coachwebsite (under REGISTRA- es will be on hand to answer TION) and should be turned questions at those events.





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When 13-year-old Marina Figueroa passed away three years ago, her mother Nicole Perez donated her organs and helped save four people's lives. It was Marina's wish to be an organ donor.

Come New Year's Day, Marina will be honored for her gift by being one of 60 donors chosen to have their likenesses illustrated on a Tournament of Roses Parade float.

Nicole told the heart-wrenching story to two Sacramento City College Psychology of Death and Dying classes on Dec. 1, and urged SCC students to consent to being organ donors themselves. In addition, her story was featured on several local morning television news programs. For more information on organ donation, visit donatelifecalifornia.org. Fore more photos on this event, visit Sacramento City College's slide show page at http://www.scc.losrios.edu/scc-slide-shows/>. Source: Sacramento City College







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Camellia Waldorf gears up for Winter Faire



Come celebrate the magic of the season! Children's puppet shows and craft activities, hearty fare including soups from the Golden Ladle Soup Competition (showcasing the there will be a nominal fee for talents of local chefs), gourmet coffee and baked goods, ginger-bread houses, holiday shopping with local artisans, a children's store stocked with treasures for young shoppers – all at Camellia's new Pocket neighborhood location, transformed into a winter wonderland!

The faire comes to the neighborhood on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Camelive music and entertainment, lia Waldorf School is located at 7450 Pocket Road. The event has free admission, though some activities. For more information, contact 427-5022; www.camelliawaldorf.org; frontdesk@camellliawaldorf.

What follows is a question and answer with Principal Ardyth Sokoler about the event and the school's location.

Land Park News: How will the new location be used for the festival? Is there anything special about the new location that will make the festival stand out more than in past years?

very excited to be hosting our 27th Annual Winter Faire for the first time in our new campus on Pocket Road! Now that we are nestled in such a beautiful residential setting, we are looking forward to welcoming Faire is a nice opportunity for both our community and Waldorf education through the activities, performances, food, vendors, and curriculum displays. With our new campus, we have also been able to expand our number and selection of vendors.

LPN: Tell me about the soup competition. Which local chefs will participate? How is the competition judged? Which soups

have been served in the past? **AS:** This will be the seventh included a Soup Café. Donariety of local chefs and soup is served with bread and salbeen received from the Capital Garage, Lotus Thai Cuisine, Sassie O Baking Company, Danielle's Creperie. Broderick Roadhouse, The Coconut Midtown, Seasons for the past several years have with salad greens being donated by Trader Joes.

The soup competition is judged by each person who purchases a Soup Sampler. The Soup Sampler includes a small serving of each available soup and a voting ballot. Each individual casts their vote and the winner receives the Golden Ladle Award. There is also a Kid's Choice Award selected by a group of children from first through eighth grade and a separate tasting and voting process. Last year's Soup Café Gold Ladle Winner was Chef Im from Lotus Thai Cuisine Restaurant with her tom kha soup.

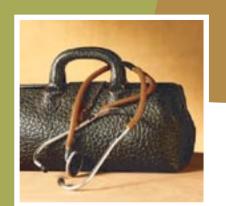
This year's soup menus includes thom ka spicy coconut soup from Saivaree restaurant as well as sopa de arroz con pollo soup from Tres Hermanas restaurant. Other donations Ardyth Sokoler: We are are still being finalized and will be sure to delight our guests!

> LPN: How many volunteers does it require to create the Winter Faire Festival? What is the magic that is involved in transforming the campus?

many of our neighbors onto our campus. The Winter prides itself on a vibrant volunteer spirit! The preparations before and during Winour neighbors to learn about ter Faire require the support of all of our parents, grandparents, students, alumni, and friends. More than 100 volunteers will participate before, during and after this magical event.

Preparations begin in early fall with recruitment of vendors, donations, crafting sessions, and preparing supplies for the Children's Store. The actual preparation of the campus begins on Friday, the day before the Winter Faire. Our volunteers work late into the year that our Winter Faire has night decorating the campus, transforming classrooms into tions are received from a va- our soup café, bakery, vendor areas, and a performance stage. Volunteers arrive earad. Past soup donations have ly in the morning and work throughout the day to sell tickets, provide musical entertainment, manage the soup café, lead crafting workshops, provide stories and puppet shows, and clean the cam-Restaurant, Sacramento Nat- pus. Our students play an acural Foods Coop, and Shiloh's tive role during Winter Faire Catering. Bread donations with our Middle School students practicing the business been supported by Boudin's math skills with marketplaces Bakery and Grateful Bread selling Camellia apparel, lo-







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cal olive oil, homemade baked goods, and beautiful artistic pieces. Our fifth grade children assist the younger chil-dren in our Children's Store to find just the right gift for a parent or teacher, our fourth grade children assist younger children with crafting projects, and our third grade children assist with serving in the Soup Café. Everyone who is a member of Camellia supports the Winter Faire in one way or another throughout

School Criminal Justice our community. Academy as well as from the Sacramento Police Department Cadet Program. These cadets have crossing guard training and will assist with crosswalk duty to bring our guests safely to and from campus and what- AS: Camellia Waldorf ever else is needed. School first looked at the

LPN: What has been your favorite thing about the Winter Faire?

Camellia Waldorf School was the first time that I campus. We were immediately touched by the warm and welcoming community, the quality activities, and the healthy delicious food. Following our attendance at Winter Faire, we ended up learning more about Waldorf education and enrolling our children at the scheduled in September.
School! One of my favorite m

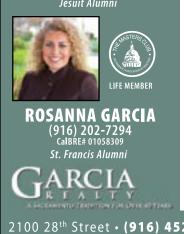
about the Winter Faire is stops by to introduce themseeing the involvement of selves, to learn about Walour children. They each take such pride in their volunteer responsibilities and ote that they observed durare truly delighted to share ing a walk on the levee. We our campus and Waldorf are so blessed and delighted learning with the parents, to be a part of the Greengrandparents, friends and guests. It is also wonderful hood!

This year we are also hon- listening and watching the ored to have Police Cadets children perform and enfrom the Kennedy High joying the depth of talent in

> LPN: Tell me about the new location. How much are we liking it? Are you all moved in? What was the space like before you took it over?

Pocket Road campus in early June of 2015. We quickly fell in love with the beautiful neighborhood, the potential of the campus, and the levee AS: The Winter Faire at along the river. The campus had set empty before we purchased it so we had a brought my children to the summer of hard work. Our parents and students spent countless hours on campus volunteering their time to clean, paint, pack and unpack. It was truly a labor or love culminating in a Community Open House celebration in late August and the first day of school as

One of my favorite mo-One of my favorite things ments is when a neighbor dorf education, or to let us know about a snake or covhaven-Pocket neighbor-



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'The Mask You Live In' film screening event to be held at Congregation B'Nai Israel

The Sacramento Young Fem- tation," the ground-breaking inists Alliance is partnering with Congregation B'Nai Israel and George Washington Carver School of Arts and Science's Civic Action Coalition to host a screening of "The Mask You Live In" on Dec. 19.

"The Mask You Live In" follows boys and young men as they struggle to stay true to themselves while negotiating America's narrow definition of masculinity.

The film is directed by Jennifer Siebel Newsom, who also directed "Miss Representionproject.org.

2012 documentary about female gender roles. That film launched a movement (The Representation Project) and producers are hoping for the same result with "The Mask You Live In" (say it fast and it sounds like "masculine").

In addition to following the lives of young men, the documentary features interviews with experts in neuroscience, psychology, sociology, sports, education and media.

Learn more at therepresenta-

If you go:

What: Screening of "The Mask You Live In"

When: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, December 19

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Shown here is the inside of the old Vintage Vehicle Renovations building that was located at the corner of 21st and S streets









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any human to handle. These gust Nights". According to the were actually big truck and Friday, May 13, 1988 edition there is the glass box case with the rubber gloves in it, where ton and various car manuals line the grimy shelves, and working on radioactive materials or some such. Down the nalia are all over. There were aisles of shelves on the side wall signs for Oldsmobile, Dodge, are the Thomas Edison brand and light bulbs, and an assortel cars, some with liquor in parts. In the small bathroom covering almost every inch of the walls would be the nudie wrenches and tools hung on pictures and calendars, a litthe wall, looking far too big for tle too hot for young eyes. You could often hear some very ing cracked open. You touch

> place? spent time with his best friend (Mike later married Caroline),

airplane tools, and one tool for of The San Bernardino Counadjusting bridge knots. Over ty Sun, page 21, "Jerry Dewsnup, who owns Vintage Vehicle Renovations in Sacramento, you would imagine someone said he is seeing a lot of customers with big cars from the late 1950s and early 1960s. "Take that Lincoln," he said, gesturing toward a four-door spark plugs, various headlights convertible in the early stages of restoration. "You can't get ment of other boxes and car anything today that will have as much power and ride as well at highway speeds as that car did when it was new."

Jerry started mysteriously

selling a lot of his stuff at the shop. A few months later, Jertypical male talk and beers be- ry died on the side of the road coming back from Hot August the wall and get oil and grease Nights. After Jerry died, his on your hands. What was son Tim Dewsnup took over this ambiance? What was this and the place soon went out of business. The building sat This was the establishment empty behind the Sacramenof one Jerry Dewsnup, own-er of Vintage Vehicle Renova-it was demolished. Now, you'd tions. Jerry restored classic and never know it was there. Glovintage old cars back to good balization and corporatization shape and good condition. I have a way of turning a diverse remember as a child spend- world into one homogenized ing many a day here, as my dad sameness. Almost anywhere you go in the world, there is 'Jer". Some of the other regunow a McDonald's and a Starlars and car people were Car-oline Dewsnup, Mike Solacki, used to be someplace else, each Art Matranga, Mike Burnett, with a story. Next time you go shopping, see if you can still and Dave. One time, Dave smell the oil, or even hear the drove me to Reno, and Jerry sound of a 1930s Mercury and my Dad would go down there for things like "Hot Autha a little more exciting?" starting its engine. Now isn't that a little more exciting?

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A Sacramentan's account on a trip to Cuba with the California Automobile Museum

mentan named Lou Dinwiddie who went with the California Automobile Museum earlier this year to Cuba. The museum is currently planning for next year's trip. Visit www.calautomuseum.org for updates on the planning of the trip.)

"Our room was on the sixth level of the Hotel National de Cuba in Havana and it afforded us a wonderful view of the ocean with the U.S. just 90 miles away. It was built in 1930 and was the place to stay for such dignitaries as Winston Churchill, Frank Sinatra, Johnny Weismuller and others. We toured the ancient forts at the entrance to Havana harbor that were built during the Spanish period and viewed the many government buildings, memorials and statues celebrating Cuba's interesting and convoluted history. The most prevalent and obvious element of our tours of the city was the overall decay of the old buildings. The Cubans refer to the end of the Soviet Russian empire in 1991, and its billions in foreign aid, as the Special Period. The result of that end of funding and the embargo declared by the U.S. in 1960 has been a general collapse of many of the buildings in the city. An interesting development in pushing their own recovery is the advent of a burgeoning private restaurant business. These are called Paladars after the Spanish word for 'palate.' It was a word that in the beginning allowed the restaurants to operate off the government radar. Now they are licensed, and taxed, and are a great way to experience the local foods of the island. The cooks in the paladars that we ate at are not professionally trained. They bring family recipes and personal inventiveness to your table and we had seven wonderful days of eating experience. A wonderful part of a Cuban paladar meal is that they start with the Coktel Beinvenido or Welcome Cocktail! It is a mojito with Havana Club rum and I'm afraid we've brought that habit home to Pina Colada.

"We visited a cigar rolling factory. The workers are paid piecework and watching them reveals that it is truly an art to roll Fidel's favorite, the Cohiba. They are the cult favorite and were only offered for sale, with Fidel's permission, in 1982. To help the workers pass the time more easily they would use readers. These women would read literary works and often ily modified and held together with homemade inthe name of the book would be given to the name of genuity and wishful thinking. the cigar. Hence the Romeo & Julieta brand.

"And then there are the cars. Isn't that why we went in the first place? When the embargo was placed in 1960 it locked in time and place – the cars that existed then. Today, there are some 60,000 cars from

important means of transportation for the people as few own cars and the government public transportation system is limited and overtaxed. Most all of the cars are four-door and they're used to trans-Sacramento with us, not to mention Cuba Libre and port people, not sit in museums or car shows. A great number have had the engine and drive train converted to European or Russian diesels and it is on a chassis from those same countries. There is from a distance, closer inspection reveals cars heav-

"One evening, our tour organizers found us a car show and about 15 old American cars were proudly on display. There was a Lincoln Continental convertible that was rumored to have been owned by the wife of the leader that was overthrown by Fidel. I esthe U.S. and they are considered a national icon pecially loved a 1957 Chevy that was clearly lovingly

between two guys that loved to play with cars and it was no different than any show I'd been to in the U.S., except that we didn't speak the same language.

"The people of Cuba are friendly, receptive and engaging. We saw much poverty and harsh living conditions, but at no time would they not initiate a smile and wave or respond to ours when they would realalso common to see the American car body sitting ize we were Americanos. They were very interested in talking to us and were hopeful that positive change no apparent smog regulation in Cuba. These cars and better times were coming. Our tour guide told are smokey, noisy, and while wonderful to look at me that if they didn't have hope they would have nothing. As to those wonderful cars, I was asked by a reporter from the BBC if I thought the embargo should be lifted so that these cars could be bought by collectors from America. I told her absolutely not, the cars belong in Cuba and the color and culture they represent should stay there. I also stated that the embargo should be lifted so we could send parts and supplies to Cuba to help bring their cars to a higher level of restoration and completeness."





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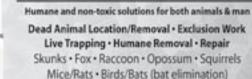
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Traffic Speeds & Crosswalk Safety on Land Park Drive

The Land Park Community Asso- the Land Park neighborhood. As For these reasons, we ask the City ciation (LPCA) and the Land Park Schools Foundation (LPSF) wrote a hood traffic, but a significant volume letter on Dec. 3, 2015 to encourage of cut-through traffic, which can acthe City to take steps to attend to and better control traffic speeds on Land 5 via Sutterville Road. Further, be- alongside Land Park Drive period-Park Drive.

It reads as follows:

Dear Councilmember Hansen and Mr. Shirey:

On behalf of the Land Park Community Association (LPCA) and the Land Park Schools Foundation (LPSF), as well as the entire Land Park neighborhood community, we write to encourage the City to take steps to attend to and better control traffic speeds on Land Park Drive, particularly on weekdays when school is in session. This is an important safety issue for our community, especially for the families whose children attend California Middle School, Crocker Riverside Elementary School, Holy Spirit School and CK McClathcy High School.

a significant arterial road through way to school.

tween 11th Avenue (to the south) and Broadway (to the north), Land controlled intersection, and its role as a north/south commute route ed speed limits are enforced. cause many drivers to succumb to a sense of impatience and haste.

Many residents and parents have recently noticed that, on the stretch of Land Park Drive that runs through a residential portion of the neighborhood and past California Middle School (ie: between 13th Avenue and Vallejo Way) many drivers proceed at rates of speed higher than the 30 mph posted limit, and at rates incompatible with the presence of young children trying to cross to get to school. Many drivers do not low down, much less stop, as children and families try As you know, Land Park Drive is to use the crosswalks to make their

such, it handles not only neighbor- to address the situation. As a threshold matter, we would appreciate it if you would ask the Sacramento City cess Land Park Drive from Interstate Police to place traffic patrol officers ically, particularly before and after school, to create visibility and to en-Park Drive is quite wide. The street's courage drivers to be more attentive width, its long stretches without a to posted limits. It would be beneficial if drivers could see that the post-

Second, we ask the City to identify and implement steps that can enhance pedestrian safety in crossing Land Park Drive at the four marked but uncontrolled crosswalks. For example, we believe that installing pedestrian-actuated flashing lights for one or more of these crosswalks would dramatically increase safety for students and other pedestrians.

We appreciate your attention to these matters of public safety.

Signed: Kenneth Mennemeier, President of the Land Park Community Association

April Meszaros, Interim President of the Land Park Schools Foundation



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CALENDAR

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Little Hats, Big Hearts looking for newborn and preemie knit hats Now until Jan. 15, 2016: Calling knitters, crocheters and loom knitters of all ages.

mento Chapter is calling for handmade little red hats in preemie and newborn sizes. Hats need to be completed and delivered to the Sacramento Chapter Office located at 2007 O St., 95811 no later than Friday, Jan. 15, 2016. "Little Hats, Big Hearts" is a nationwide campaign of the AHA, bringing

Solution to Crossword: A L M A N A R|E|T|I|N|A|S MIEN S T U B S P E N A|N|G|E|V|I|N |M|A|T|I|N|E|E ELECTED A S S E R T S

awareness to the babies who are born with heart ailments and heart defects. All hats received will be distributed locally in February 2016 as part of Go Red Month. This event is also being hosted on Facebook as "Little Hats, Big Hearts" for Elk Grove and Sacramento. Enjoy being part of this special project. Participants in Elk Grove will have designated drop-off locations to be announced in the Elk Grove Citizen and Facebook. For more information, contact Teresita Valadez at teresitagabriela@yahoo.com.

SPCA Announces Launch of Fleas Navidad Adoption Special

Adopt don't shop this holiday season! Dur ing the SPCA's "FLEAS NAVIDAD" special (running now through Dec. 23), adopt any adult animal (age 1 year or older) for 50 percent-off the regular adoption price, and receive a dose of Advantage flea treatment for dogs of cats, a species-appropriate toy, a special gift from The Container Store, and a lifetime of love and devotion. Give an animal a home for the holidays, and give yourself the gift of love! The Sacramento SPCA is located at 6201 Florin Perkins Road in Sacramento. Regular adoption center hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 6pm.

Santas needed to fill holiday stockings for formerly homeless women and children

Local residents can bring smiles to former ly homeless women and children this hol

iday season by contributing to Women's Empowerment's annual Holiday Stocking Drive. The group is seeking 250 stockings and specific fillers for local infants and tod dlers, children, teens and adult women. For the list of items needed, visit www.womens empowerment.org. Those interested also can donate \$30 to have a volunteer elf fill a stocking or donate Target gift cards. Items are needed by Dec. 8 and can be dropped off at 1590 North A Street, Sacramento. For more information, contact Kate Towson at kate@womens-empowerment.org or 669-2307.

The Sacramento Traditional Jazz

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

Nar-Anon meeting for families and friends

The group meets to learn about drug abuse share problems, encourage the addict to seek help, replace despair with hope, improve the family attitude, help regain your self-confidence. For more information, call the First United Methodist Church at 446-5025, ext. 101. Meetings are Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., 2100 J St.

Rotary Club South meeting

The Rotary Club of South Sacramento meets at noon for lunch every Thursday at Iron Grill, located at 2422 13th St. (Broad way and 13th Street). Rotary is one of the largest service organizations in the world dedicated to community service both locally and internationally. Please call IR Springer at 425-9195 for additional information.

Beginning tai chi gong

These exercises use the principle of chi flowing properly throughout the body to maintain the equilibrium of yin and yang. Regular practice of these forms will develop better balance and flexibility, gain strength, promote deep relaxation, and improve health. This beginning class will also learn the 24 Yang Style Tai Chi and Yi Jing, a traditional Health Qi Gong. Pre-registration and prepayment required or \$7 drop-in fee at the door. Class will be held on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00 pm at ACC Senior Services 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

Widow persons monthly buffet and social

Widowed Persons Association of California Newcomers' Buffet and Social is open to any and all widows and widowers, the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. The buffet will be held in the private dining room at the Plaza Hof Brau, corner of El Camino and Watt

See Calendar, page 21

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

DECEMBER

Sam Brannan Middle School -**Parent-Student Visitation Days**

Dec. 8, 10; Jan. 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14: All visits be gin at 8:30 a.m. To schedule a visit please call 264-4350 x1001. All 6th grade students and their parents are invited to come explore the Sam Brannan campus, visit classrooms and meet our outstanding teachers and students. Plan to experience a day in the life of a Sam Brannan student. Come and see why Sam Brannan should be your choice for middle school! Sam Brannan Middle School is located at 5301 Elmer Way, 95822;

Capitol Pops holiday concert

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Dec. 10: The Capitol Pops Concert Band wraps its 18th season with a free, open to th public holiday concert at 7 p.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 5811 Walnut Ave. in Orangevale. Under the baton of Director Kurt Pearsall, CPCB's one-hour performance will include traditional holiday favorites, seasonal musical hits and carols. Voice and instrumental soloists also will be featured in this family-friendly holiday event. Christ the King Lutheran Church is the band's rehearsal site. Attendees are invited to donate a new or gently used coat as part of the national One Warm Coat effort to provide coats to needy individuals throughout North America. The San Francisco-based organization has been organizing coat drives since 1992, donating more than 4 million coats since then and currently supporting more than 3,000 coat drives each year. Financial contributions to the program also will be accepted. For more information on the Capitol Pops, visit www.capitolpops.org or its Facebook page, or call (916) 725-5214.

Jingle bell run/walk

Dec. 12: More than 750 people will bring holiday spirit to Sacramento on Saturday December 12th, when they "jingle all the way" to Crocker Park for the Arthritis Foundation's annual Jingle Bell Run/ Walk event. This festive annual fundraiser aims to fight and cure arthritis, the na tion's leading cause of disability. The annual holiday-themed event will start at 7:30 a.m. and will host walkers and runners alike don ning their most festive apparel - everything from bells on shoelaces to full holiday costumes. This 5K is sure to spread smiles, holiday cheer and a winning spirit. Taking place in more than 100 cities across the country during the holiday season, the Jingle Bell Run/Walk for Arthritis raises funds to support the Arthritis Foundation's life-changing tools, resources, science and advocacy initiatives. To learn more and register for the Sacramento event, visit www.jbr.org/sacramento or contact the Arthritis Foundation at 916-368-5599. To learn more about the

fight to conquer arthritis and the Jingle Bell Run/Walk, visit www.arthritis.org/JBR.

12th annual Nuts and Berries event to benefit Wildlife Care Association

Dec. 13: The Wildlife Care Association's most important fundraising event, and a real good party, are coming up on Sunday, Dec 13 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The event, the 12th annual Nuts and Berries at Lion's Gate Hotel, offers a special silent auction on holiday gift certificates starting at \$10 up to internation al travel and camera safari trips all to benefit wildlife care. There will be a silent auction gift shop, hors d'oeuvres, educational presentations, raffle and a no-host bar. Get your photo taken with an ambassador animal. \$15 at the door; kids get in free. Everyone welcome. McClellan Park, 3410 Westover St. Advance tickets are available at www.brown papertickets.com/event/2395941.

Sacramento Symphonic Winds, a 60-piece symphonic band presents "Winds of Change"

Dec. 20: Bring the entire family to this extraord nary concert season entitled "Winds of Change" at the Crowne Plaza Northeast. The Sacramento Symphonic Winds is a 60-piece adult symphonic band conducted by Dr. Les Lehr who is retiring after this season, and guest conductor Timothy M. Smith. Selections during the season will include Chorale and Shaker Dance by John Zdechlik, Pas Redouble by Camille Saint-Saens, A Christmas Festival by Leroy Anderson, La Fiesta Mexicana by Alfred Reed, American in Paris by George Gershwin, Irish Tune by Percy Grainger, and more! Show starts at 2:30 p.m. at Crowne Plaza Northeast, 5321 Date Ave, Tickets are sold at the door. Children 10 and under Free: Student/Senior (65+) \$10: General \$15. Contact number is 489-2576; www.sacwinds. org; https://www.google.com/maps/place/ Crowne+Plaza+95841

Ring joyous bells!

Dec. 20: The holiday season provides an oppor tunity to help others at 4 p.m. with an afternoon of traditional holiday music as celebrated by Bel Tempo, a community handbell choir sponsored by Northminster Presbyterian Church. This year's concert benefits the Sacramento Children's Home, a nonprofit agency dedicated to caring for our community's most vulnerable children and families. The concert is a holiday tradition for music lovers of all ages. "Ring Joyous Bells!" will feature traditional and Latin carols. In addition to handbell music, Bel Tempo will be joined by a soloist on English horn and a variety of percussion instruments. Audience members will have a chance to try their skills with hand chimes and join in carol sing-a-longs. Northminster is located at 3235 Pope Avenue. The afternoon of music is free. A freewill offering will be taken at the

JANUARY

northminsteronline.org.

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end of the concert with all donations going to

benefit the Sacramento Children's Home. For

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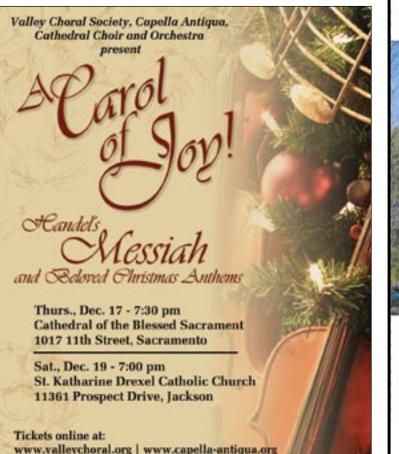
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SacTown VegFest

Ian. 30: The Sacramento Vegetarian Society (SVS) is excited to launch SacTown VeoFest, Sacramento's first 100% plantbased vegetarian festival. SacTown VegFes will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Sacramento City Unified School District's Serna Center 5737 47th Ave. (one block west of Stockton Blvd.) in Sacramento, This event is FREE and open to the public. There will freshly prepared food and plant-based merchan

dise for sale as well as free samples. There will be information on the many benefits of plant-based eating—from delicious healthpromoting recipes to how diet can reduce both water-usage and your carbon footprin SacTown VegFest will be a family-friendly event with fun activities for children Speakers include: Keynote: Kristie Middleton, Food Policy Director, Humane Society of the U.S.; Hope Bohanec, Author and Executive Director, Compassionate Liv ing; Timaree Hagenburger, "The Nutrition Professor," Cosumnes River College; Nora Kramer, Founder, Youth Empowered Action (YEA!) Camp; Rajiv Misquitta, M.D., and Cathi Misquitta, Pharm.D., "Healthy Heart, Healthy Planet": Lani Muelrath, au thor, "The Plant Based Journey" SVS is a nonprofit educational and social organization founded in 1986. Online at <www.face book.com/SacTownVegFest/> and <www. SacTownVegFest.org>.

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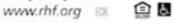
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Neighborhood holiday event guide

Nancy Gilchrist lighted bike ed. The bike ride is in mem-

It's that time of year to pull out your lights and get your to Wellspring. According to a bikes ready for the Nancy Gilchrist lighted bike ride on Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. Hosted yearly by the Coffee Garden, located at 2904 Franklin Blvd. in Curtis Park, the "Holiday Store" program owner Mike Madsen will take and securing many in-kind doriders on a route through some of the best holiday lights in the area, plus there will be a few stops for hot chocolate or Market. hot apple cider along the way.
And to add to the holiday

fun, riders are invited to come dressed in their holiday best and decorate their bikes. Although Mike's Light Ride is all about holiday fun, it's also a way of giving back. The late Gilchrist began volunteering for years at the Wellspring Women's Center, which is located at

Sacramento City College 34144th Ave. in Oak Park since holiday sale of student 1989. According to the website, artwork http://www.wellspringwomen.org/, Wellspring is open Monday through Friday, offering a nutritious breakfast daily to more than 200 women and their children. Volunteers provide supervised and creative ter. play for guests' children. During the afternoon, guests may obtain mental health counseling from a staff social worker and interns. Wellspring staff Friday, Dec. 11: 10 a.m. to 3 Celebrate the season with members assist guests with re- p.m. ferrals for needed services, and Saturday, Dec. 12: 10 a.m. to local agencies provide outreach 2 p.m. at Wellspring so that community resources are not duplicat- p.m.; 5 to 8 p.m.

ory of Nancy who for years brought her smile and energy 2009 newsletter titled "Wellspring Reflections," Nancy's roles included regular breakfast program service and acting as a personal shopper during nations from places including Marie Callender's on Freeport, River City Bagels and Taylor's

Crafty happy hour

Mark your calendar for Friday, Dec. 18 and join the Delta Workshop, 2598 21st St. for Crafty Happy Hour! Make lavender sachets, beeswax candles, and letterpress gift tags to

Student artwork will be on sale in the Kondos Gallery Dec. 10 through 14. Come and take a look at various offerings that students have made throughout the semes-

The hours of the sale are as

3 p.m.; 5 to 8 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 14: 10 a.m. to 3

Swim with Santa at the

Santa enjoys swimming at the YMCA. Taking note of children's wishes as some little ones hang onto his arms, others get to swim around the 85degree indoor pool. Free and open to the entire community with a donation of a nonperishable food or new winter clothing item, the fun continues with crafts and holiday snacks in the gymnasium on Friday, Dec. 11... So, kids, what are you waiting for? Get those wishlists written!

Holiday Magic at the Sacramento Zoo – Dec. 12

Why should only humans receive gifts during the holidays?
It's time for Holiday Magic Fairytale Town's Winter when the community has the special opportunity to watch as the animals unwrap their holiday goodies! Plus, zoo visitors who bring a non-perishable food item receive \$1 off admission on that day. For more, visit www.saczoo.org

Sol Mercado

Sol Collective, 2574 21st St, will hold its 10th annual holiday market featuring arts, cultural goods, music, and food on Satur-Thursday, Dec. 10: 10 a.m. to day, Dec. 12 from noon to 6 pm.

ber of Christmas events to help get you in the season.

Have your child's picture taken with Santa from 8:30 to 11 a.m. (free downloadable photo with Santa and free Santa gift). Breakfast is \$9 for adults and \$5 for children younger

than 12 years old. Call 422-

6666 to reserve a table of 10

Then, get ready to boogie on New Year's Eve at the annual gala. This year's theme: Passport to 2016. Cost is \$62.50 per person (tax included). No host cocktails and hosd'oeuvres start at 7 p.m., dinner at 8 p.m. and dancing 9

Wonderland

Celebrate the holiday season at Fairytale Town from Thursday, Dec. to 10 Sunday, Dec. 20. Storybook park will be open for play, trimmed with festive holiday décor and lit up with a daz-p.m. (line closes at 6 p.m.) zling display of lights, starting at dusk each night. Plus, don't miss a flurry of snow fall nightly at 7 p.m. near the Mother Goose Stage! On the weekends, even town

more holiday fun awaits with hands-on activities, a holiday marketplace, Victorian carolers and more! San-Elks Lodge, No. 6, 6446 ta will also be making a spe-Riverside Blvd., has a num-cial stop at Fairytale Town and will be available for visits and photos in his workshop, located in the Children's Theater, from 3 to 6 p.m. Photos will be available for purchase for an additional cost. Please Note: The Santa line closes at 6 throughout the park p.m. promptly.

paid park admission. Fairytale Dec. 18: Town Members and children ages 1 and under are Free. Printed photos with Santa park starting at dusk by Rocket Booths are \$5. The the left of the main entrance) will be open on weekends from 1 to 6 p.m. for members throughout the park and ticket holders.

Winter Wonderland is Saturday, Dec. 19 and Sunheld weather permitting. If day, Dec. 20: skies are gray, check <fairytaletown.org> one hour before the event starts to Theater and available for visconfirm our hours for the its and photos from 3 to 6 day. Thursday-Friday tick- p.m. (line closes at 6 p.m.)

On Sunday, Dec. 20, don't ets may be used on any miss Breakfast with Santa. Thursday-Friday of the event (Dec. 10, 11, 17 and 18). Saturday-Sunday tickets may be used on any Saturday-Sunday of the event (Dec. 12, 13, 19 and 20).

> Please note: During Winter Wonderland, Fairytale Town's operating hours are 1 to 7 p.m.

Entertainment schedule Thursday, Dec. 10 and Friday,

Dec. 11:

A dazzling display of holiday lights will light up the park starting at dusk

A flurry of snow will fall on the Mother Goose Stage at 7

Enjoy festive decorations throughout the park

Saturday, Dec. 12 and Sunday, Dec. 13:

Santa Claus will be in his workshop in the Children's Theater and available for visits and photos from 3 to 6

Meet two of Santa's reindeer from 1 to 7 p.m. in Pooh Corner

Enjoy holiday themed hands-on activities around

Listen to a quartet of Victorian carolers as they stroll through the park from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

A dazzling display of holiday lights will light up the park starting at dusk

A flurry of snow will fall on the Mother Goose Stage at 7 Vendors will be selling holi-

day wares and treats

Enjoy festive decorations

This program is free with Thursday, Dec. 17 and Friday,

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A flurry of snow will fall on Express Entrance (located to the Mother Goose Stage at 7

Enjoy festive decorations

Santa Claus will be in his workshop in the Children's

Two Scoops for Christmas:

Celebrating the holidays with a bit of nostalgia at Gunther's

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LEIGH RUTLEDGE 612-6911 BILL HAMBRICK 600-6528



FABULOUS LAND PARK

Lovely updated 4 bedroom, 3½ bath home boasts a great room floorplan. Remodeled kitchen features Miele cooktop, double ovens, warming drawer and breakfast bar. Lovely family room with fireplace opening onto gorgeous treed and shady backyard with slate patio and pool. \$995,000

CHARLENE SINGLEY 341-0305



ELEGANT LAND PARK

3 bedroom 2 bath, you will love the classic features such as coved ceilings, beautiful wood floors, and arched doorways. Spacious layout with a separate living room and family room, formal dining room, remodeled kitchen with nook, lovely brick patio! \$599,000

ERIN STUMPF 342-1372



WHAT A FIND!

Spacious, 3 bedroom home in the Crocker/Riverside Elementary School boundaries. Newly refinished hardwood floors, fresh interior and exterior paint! Charming formal living room and formal dining room. Large detached 2-car garage and a swimming pool.

\$379,000

KELLIE SWAYNE 206-1458



CURB APPEAL PLUS

This original-owner home is just waiting for your personal touches. 3 bedrooms 2 baths, hardwood floor under carpeting in original footprint of the home. Loads of storage! Master bedroom has been altered to allow for a master bath to be added. The large shed in the backyard would be a great workshop. \$184,500

PAULA SWAYNE 425-9715



SOUTH LAND PARK HILLS

Cute 3 bedroom 2 bath home that is move-in-ready! Wonderful South Land Park neighborhood. The work is done, refinished hardwood floors, new tile, new paint and carpet. Sweet, spacious and private backyard, central heat and air, 2-car garage. A delightful home! \$349,900

JAMIE RICH 612-4000



LAND PARK CHARMER

Spacious layout, wood floors, large living room with coved leaded glass window, arched doorways and stylish décor. 2 bedrooms with remodeled bathroom, formal dining room, large kitchen, separate family room with lots of windows, backyard BBQ and big deck! \$449.000

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COZY FREEPORT MANOR

Lovely refinished hardwood floors throughout this cute 3 bedroom 1 bath home. Welcoming entry into living room with fireplace and dining area. Central heat and air conditioning and clean 1-car attached garage. Very cute! \$229,500

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