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Brew for a Cure comes to William Land Park on June 11

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation has teamed up with Beers In Sacramento to bring the first Brew For A Cure to William Land Park on Saturday, June 11. The Land Park community has a long history of supporting charitable causes and fundraisers, and since there has never been an event of this kind in the park, organizers feel that it is high-time to host a brewfest for the residents of Land Park to enjoy! JDRF is the largest private funder of Type 1 Diabetes research in the world. More than 80 percent of every dollar spent goes directly to research making them a very efficient organization. Every year they are rated one of the few A-plus organizations by Forbes magazine and have been ranked in their top five charities nationally. Their mission is to improve the lives of those living with diabetes, ultimately finding a cure, while also providing support to the large community in Sacramento directly impacted by this life-threatening disease.



ing styles, with a preference of trying something that has yet to have. "If I had to choose locally, it would probably be Knee Deep's Simtra DIPA or nationally, it would be Founders Kentucky Breakfast Stout. But I'm also really digging all the ciders coming out."

Beers in Sacramento is helping organize and curate the brewery list, bringing in more than 25 breweries, cideries, and even a meadery. The event will feature breweries such as Knee Deep, Founders, and Stone, and cideries such as 2 Towns and Two Rivers. For the full list of breweries and cideries, please visit: <http://www.brewforacuresacramento.com/breweries/>.

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation approached Beers in Sacramento for the fundraiser, and the group was ecstatic to have the opportunity to work with such an inspiring non-profit, and be able to contribute to the great work that they already do. "We believe that with everyone's support, we can help JDRF, "Turn Type One into Type None!" There is nothing better than drinking beer for such an inspiring cause," said Scoville.

Both General Admission (\$40) and VIP (\$50) will be receive a limited edition tasting glass with access to unlimited samples. They will be able to chat with the brewers, and enjoy local and regional beers and ciders from all over the West Coast.

One of the most popular bands in the region, the Nickel Slots, will perform that day. One of their band members has a direct connection to Type 1 Diabetes and has been involved with JDRF for years. "They were the no-brainer choice. Can't wait to see them rocking out in Land Park," Scoville said.

Four local gourmet food trucks -- Mama Kims, Cecil's Taste, Fuzion, and It's Nacho Truck -- will complement the brews nicely. For the full list of food trucks, please visit: <http://www.brewforacuresacramento.com/food-entertainment/>.

The event will be held on Saturday, June 11 from 3 to 6 p.m. with early entry for VIP ticketholders at 2 p.m. and access to an exclusive tasting of premium IPAs.

Scott Scoville of Beers in Sacramento said personally he enjoys differing beers, and vary-

For more on ticket options, please visit: <http://www.brewforacuresacramento.com/>.

For more information on JDRF, please visit: <http://jdrf.org>.

The Nickel Slots to play twice in Land Park this summer

The Nickel Slots take you on a journey through hard times and desperation that always carries hope that better things are just around the corner. With influence from early roots Americana music as well as a touch of rebellious '70s punk, The Nickel Slots draw the line that connects Johnny Cash to The Clash. From the sentimental folk tune to the foot-stomping, raucous sing-along, their rocking Americana brings you back to a long-lost memory or shared experience of pain, joy, heartache, love, hope, and redemption.



Photo by Jason Knight
Shown in the back row, from the left is lead singer Tony Brusca and bassist Paul Zinn.
Front row from the left is lead guitar player, Steve Amaral and drummer Chris Amaral.

The local band will be performing twice in Land Park: Once at the Brew for the Cure event in William Land Park on June 11 and then at the Sacramento Zoo on starting about 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14 as part of the Zoo's Twilight Thursdays event.

They began performing together in November 2008, and the following spring a song from their debut album spent a month in rotation on KWOD 106.5 FM's Sounds of Sacramento series. In 2010 and 2011 The Nickel Slots won consecutive Sammie Awards for Outstanding Americana/Alt-Country. The band has toured twice in Europe, winning over audiences in venues both large and small, and in March 2015 shared the stage with Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band at their concert at Sleep Train Arena. Their debut music video for "The Devil's Chain Gang" won Best US Music Video at the 2015 American Online Film Awards, two awards at the 2013 Sacramento Film and Music Festival, and in early 2015 began garnering airplay on several music video TV networks, shows, and websites. Lead singer, songwriter, and acoustic guitarist Tony Brusca's songs tell unique stories and he has a knack for connecting with audiences. Bassist and mandolin player Paul Zinn's backing vocals add an extra dimension to Tony's melodies, and his bass lines just can't sit still. Christopher Amaral, The Nickel Slots' versatile drummer, lays down train beats and adds distinctive power to the band's sound. His brother, individual Sammie Award winner electric guitarist Steve Amaral (of South Land Park), throws down tasteful licks that dance across the line between rock and country.

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domestic violence. Upon arrival, officers determined that the suspect had already left the scene. Officers contacted the uninjured victim and documented the incident in a crime report.

Reporting date: May 12 (Shooting): 3700 block of Franklin Boulevard at 11:37 p.m. (near City College)

Received multiple calls of shots fired in the area. Upon arrival, officers located evidence that a shooting had occurred. No victims were located in the area. A report was generated.

Reporting date: May 13 (Burglary): 2300 block of Sutterville Road at 2:08 a.m.

Officers responded to a ringing burglary alarm. Upon arrival, officers found that of a glass pane had been broken out. The owner arrived and it was determined that the business had been burglarized. Several items from the store were taken.

Reporting date: May 14 (Domestic Violence): Seavey Circle at 2:52 a.m.

Officers were dispatched to a residence on reports of do-

Reporting date: May 19 (Resisting Arrest): 1900 block of Broadway at 9:34 a.m.

Officers contacted two subjects in the above area as they were loitering behind a business. When officers attempted to detain the suspects, a struggle ensued. Both suspects were safely detained and ultimately arrested for resisting arrested and outstanding warrants.

Reporting date: May 22 (POD Alert - Stolen Vehicle): Broadway / Riverside Boulevard at 9:57 a.m.

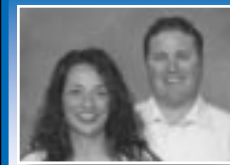
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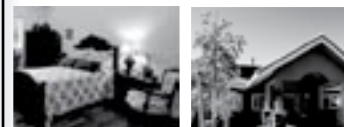
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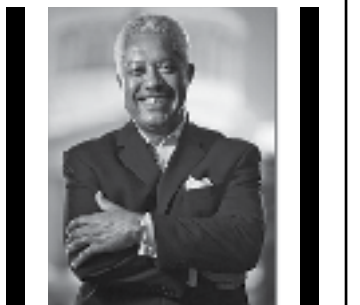
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Lincoln Junior High graduates celebrate 76th anniversary reunion

Event has additional significance for Japanese American classmates

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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Graduates of Lincoln Junior High School's winter and summer classes of 1940 recently gathered together in South Land Park for their 76th anniversary reunion. And among the attendees of the event were Japanese Americans whose lives were suddenly changed due to an executive order during World War II.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt's February 19, 1942 signing of Executive Order 9066 allowed for the assembly, evacuation and relocation of more than 100,000 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry residing on the West Coast.

Ninety-one-year-old Toyoko Nakatogawa, who organized the reunion with her former Lincoln Junior High classmate Dr. Herbert Yee, said that she was unable to graduate from high school in Sacramento due to the evacuation.

"We went from kindergarten clear up to graduating (from) junior high from Lincoln School (at 416 P St.)," she said. "I then went to Sacramento High until the evacuation, and I graduated from (high school at Tule Lake internment) camp (in Siskiyou County)."

Toyoko said that the reunions of Lincoln Junior High's graduating classes of 1940 are of additional significance to the Japanese American members of those classes.

"We couldn't have the high school reunion, because all of us didn't graduate (from) high school, so we go back to the junior high (reunion), and this is our 76th anniversary," she said.

Prior to the Japanese evacuation, Toyoko spent her entire life in Sacramento, growing up with her parents, Tokizo and Misa Nakatogawa, and her two brothers and two sisters. And of those family members, only Toyoko and her 88-year-old brother, Kinjiro "Dag" Nakatogawa, are living today.

At the time the Nakatogawas left Sacramento for the Walerga Assembly Center, where they awaited their transfer to the Tule Lake camp, they were living in a small rooming house at 2nd and I streets.

The Nakatogawas resided at the Tule Lake camp for about a year before being transferred to the Granada - aka Camp Amache - internment camp in southeast Colorado.

Toyoko recalled leaving Colorado following the closure of its Japanese internment camp.

"We stayed there (at the camp) until the end of the war," she said. "When they were ready to close Amache, then we went to Kansas City, Mo., because my sister was there temporarily. We didn't have any place to go, so we went to her place and we stayed in Kansas City for a year, then we came back to California."



Graduates of the winter and summer classes of Lincoln Junior High School celebrate their 76th anniversary reunion. Photo by Lance Armstrong

Another attendee of the reunion, 91-year-old Teiko (Ishihara) Matsuo, also spoke about being unable to graduate from high school in Sacramento.

"We were supposed to graduate (from Sacramento High) in 1943, but we were in camp, so I graduated in camp in Tule Lake," she said.

Teiko, who was born in Lodi and moved to Sacramento when she was 9 years old, grew up in the capital city with her father, Toyotaro, her mother, Haruno, her brother, Joey, and her sisters, Mary and Judy.

The Ishihara family was living at 227 1/2 Capitol Avenue (today's Capitol Mall) at the time of the evacuation.

A prime example of how much the reunion means to some former Lincoln Junior High students is evident in the effort that 91-year-old Ed Yoshikawa made to attend the event.

Ed, who spent the first 16 years of his life living in Sacramento before being evacuated from his hometown in 1942, traveled about



(above left) Ed and Pearl Yoshikawa enjoy a moment together at the 76th anniversary reunion of the winter and summer classes of Lincoln Junior High School. (above middle) The reunion included much socializing and a lunch, which was followed by the presentation of this decorative cake that was shared by attendees of the gathering. (above right) Ed Yoshikawa displays his Lincoln Junior High School letter patch during his recent Class of 1940 reunion.



Photo by Lance Armstrong

Reunion:

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1,800 miles by car to join his friends at the reunion.

A resident of Minnesota since 1948, Ed said that he made the trip with his wife, the former Pearl Hirata, and his daughter, Candee.

"Normally, my wife and I will drive by ourselves, but it's gotten to a point where my family members think that we need help," he said. "So, my daughter came along with me and did a good share of driving. And then I have another daughter who's flying in Wednesday, (April 20) and she's going to drive back with us all the way to Minnesota."

During their three and a half-day trip to California, the Yoshikawas visited the memorial of the Minidoka Japanese internment camp site, where Pearl, who grew up in Vancouver, Wash., lived in the 1940s.

In reflecting upon his years at Lincoln Junior High, Ed said that his activities at the school included his involvement in student government. "What I remember about (the school) is conducting the pledge of allegiance at every assembly we had," he said. "The only reason why that was my job was because I was selected the student body vice president. The president was a friend of mine named Andrew Sugiyama."

Ed also spoke about another one of his close friends at the school.

"One of my best classmates was a guy named Wilbert Lee, and he was born in (China on Dec. 12, 1922) and came to this country," he said. "As a result, he got a little late in getting started in school. And so, he was a few years (older) than we were, but he was one of my best of friends. He said, Ed, 'I'm going to live to be 100 years old.' I said, 'All right, Wilbert, I'll keep up with you and I'll become a centenarian also.' But unfortunately, he passed away last year."

Ed said that his involvement in student government continued at Tule Lake.

"We were thrown into Tule Lake internment camp, and to make life more interesting, I ran for student body president - the first student body president," he said. "There were more students from Sacramento, so I got elected. So, I had lots of fun organizing the student government and establishing a high school paper and all that."

Ed graduated from high school at Tule Lake in 1943, and in August of that year, he left the camp to work in Cleveland, where he acquired a job at the Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau orphanage. While at the orphanage, Ed became known as Edward Kauffman, a Hawaiian Jew, in order to play on an all-Jewish basketball team.

Although he played a full season for the team, Ed nearly revealed his identity following one of the team's games.

"I hate to mention it, but we went out to a Catholic

orphan home to play basketball and I happened to hit a few shots," he said. "The little kids were excited and they said, 'Ed, a bunch of kids want your autograph.' I nearly signed my name, Yoshikawa (instead of Kauffman). I signed it Edward Kauffman and I got by ok."

With money he earned at the orphanage, Ed enrolled at Western Michigan University and attended classes at that institution until being drafted into the service.

Ed said that he initially volunteered as a paratrooper.

"I went into basic training and after basic training, there was an article on the (bulletin) board that said they were looking for volunteers for paratroopers," he recalled. "And paratroopers are a good looking bunch, and besides, you got \$50 a month more. So, I signed up for it. There were about four or five of

us. Fortunately or unfortunately, the paratroopers weren't ready to receive any Japanese Americans."

He eventually joined the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which was an infantry regiment in the United States Army that was comprised of Americans of Japanese ancestry.

Ed, who was married to Pearl on June 27, 1948, said that his time at the reunion would be followed by a bit of site seeing in his former hometown of Sacramento.

"Well, from here, we're going to drive over to Old (Sacramento) and also pass by where we used to live at 4th and O (streets)," he said. "We used to have a grocery store there and across the street was the church that we used to attend. I just want to show my daughter the old haunting grounds. Unfortunately, the Lincoln Junior High building is all gone."

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The death of Florin Mall

By JAMES PEYTON

Hello, fair readers and true believers. In the last 100 years Earth is no longer as pretty and is surely becoming one big city. I grew up in South Sacramento, it will never change back, and so this is my verbal attack, giving you history and information if it is what you lack.

This is a eulogy of the Florin area.

In the 1940s, Highway 99 was known as Stockton Boulevard, and it ran all the way to the town of Stockton. The south area was agricultural land, with very few buildings or "development". In the Florin Road area were places like the 7 Mile House, Fernandez company, and an old folks home. In the 1950s the Southgate Lodge Inn, The Brown Derby, (Later Wally's Tavern) and a lumber yard could be found near Stockton Boulevard.

The 99 freeway was finished in 1960, and neighborhoods sprang up near it like waterfowl to wetlands. Southgate plaza, a shopping center, appears on the scene in 1963. Rapid construction occurred in the early 1960's in the Florin, Bowling Green, and Lindale areas, eventually slowing down in the early '70s.

Before there was Arden Mall, there was Florin Mall. Located on Florin Road, Sacramento's first mall was built in 1967 and opened its doors that year at 6117 Florin Road. The mall was set up in a simple T shape, with the largest three stores at each end. You had Sears to the west, Weinstocks to the east, and JCPenney's facing north. The following are some of the now vanished stores that were within the mall. JCPenney, Weinstocks, B.Dalton books, Orange Julius, Ups & Downs, Kay Bee toys, Claire's Boutique, Radio Shack, and JW or Jeans West, where cheap pants and slacks could be had. Not to mention the candle shop, card shop, shoe stores, the African Store, and the Collector's store. In later days there was the learning center, a

room full of computers mainly used by students.

By the 1980s Sacramento's early retail landscape consisted of the south area and the downtown area, with its one-story strip called Downtown Mall, Southgate plaza, which was near suburban living, and places like Mervyn's and GEMCO.

In the '80s Florin road periphery there were businesses such as Toys R Us, Sears, "Monkey" Wards, BEST, Price Club, The State Theatre, The Comic Box, The Good Guys, Consumers, Goodyear Tires, Wells Fargo, Bank of America, Eppie's, and JJ-North. Southgate had Federated, Ross, and another bank. It was a slightly different time in consumerism, with stores across America having a rather generic look to them, right out of a Mr. Bean episode or a Sears catalog.

Florin Mall was no exception, walking through its department stores gave a reflection of suburbia. There were many different types of mall stores clustered around them. There was an Arcade on the east entrance. They had upright cabinets holding games like Ninja Warriors and Ms. Pac-man. Either as an attempt at attracting customers or a small secret of kids in the know, there was an Elevator Action cabinet set to free play, and you could play over and over without quarters at the push of a button. Years later the arcade moved to the first room on the right of the main entrance in front of the mall. This establishment became known as "Tilt" and with its non working Street Fighter games, reflected that the arcade was a dying phenomenon.

Eddie Murphy made several appearances at the mall, one time buying up tons of sunglasses. It's bright in California, you know. There was the shoe store riot where patrons broke glass and ran off with boxes of shoes. My own memory is that of waiting for buses which sometimes never came like the 51 and 54, sitting under the giant wasp nests near the top of the baby blue JCPenney's and lamenting over teenage loves. Years later, the



Special Ed kids from nearby schools would come and hang out inside the mall's main entrance, and I would befriend them, amidst the usual stares. One of my friends was the southeast asian kid in a wheelchair who they featured in the Bee one time. The same few security guards could be seen chasing after women; every time you visited, you could watch the show.

Gradually the florin area fell into a state of urban decay. Two of the three main stores moved out of Florin Mall, leaving only Sears behind. The area became more dangerous, and people lost interest. There was The Good Guys killings in 1991. Four local southeast Asian teens killed six people with guns inside the electronics chain a few yards behind Florin Mall. It was a failed robbery with hostages situation. My high school teacher knew at least one of the teenagers. One day I saw one of the victim's mothers at the door of a friend's house...asking for donations to his trust fund. A tragedy that should have never happened. Slowly, Florin area businesses started moving away, from car dealers to Toys R Us. Buzz Oates bought up most of Florin Mall from the Cordano family. The property changed hands again, and a new open air center was proposed called Florin Towne Center.

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Florin Mall's new owner was San Francisco-based South Sac LLC.

Comes 2007. Toys R Us is now Levitz, Monkey Wards is Burlington Coat Factory, BEST is a mosque called Masjid Annur, (the mosque of light) The Comic Box is I believe an East Indian Sari store, Price Club is Shun Fat, a Chinese grocery store chain, and Florin Mall is knocked down and set up to become Sacramento's first Super Walmart. And Sears is undergoing a 2 million dollar renovation. As if the world needs even one more Walmart. Not that there isn't already one a few blocks away from the former Florin Mall at Southgate.

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Sacramento Asian Pacific Film Festival Spearheads Diversity Discussion in Entertainment Industry

The Sacramento Asian Pacific Cultural Village proudly presents the 2016 Sacramento Asian Pacific Film Festival. This year's theme is Rise and Represent, which celebrates the progress made with the visible increase in Asian representation in TV, film and new media.

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as Asian Americans working in Hollywood. Our impressive roster of films this year also include the categories of; comedy, documentary, foreign and films that explore the API LG-BTQ experience.

Other special guests include an on-stage performance by San Francisco comedian, Irene Tu (Friday, 6 p.m.).

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The Detroit Zoo has experience working with Ring-tailed Lemurs that have come to them from part of the illegal pet trade. Unfortunately as a result of their upbringing and not having many of their social needs met, lemurs that come from the pet trade often do not behave like normal lemurs and do not always know how to interact with other primates. The Detroit Zoo is currently home to five Ring-tailed Lemurs, three of which are former pets.

In order to prepare for his departure, the Ring-tailed Lemur has received a final exit exam at the Sacramento Zoo's Murray E. Fowler Veterinary Hospital. The thorough exam checked his overall health and the final report was sent to the veterinary team at the Detroit Zoo. Animal Care Staff in Sacramento have also had conversations with staff in Detroit to discuss the lemur's current behaviors and tendencies and have shared videos of the lemur.

All of the behaviors the Ring-tailed Lemur from Turlock is exhibiting are ones that staff at Detroit have seen in other former pet lemurs are behaviors and that they are prepared to work with. After the lemur arrives in Detroit he will be housed near the other Ring-tailed Lemurs and given as much time as he needs to acclimate to his surroundings. From there, the keepers will work with him over the next months and years to introduce him first to another Ring-tailed Lemur; hopefully he will eventually be integrated into the entire lemur group.

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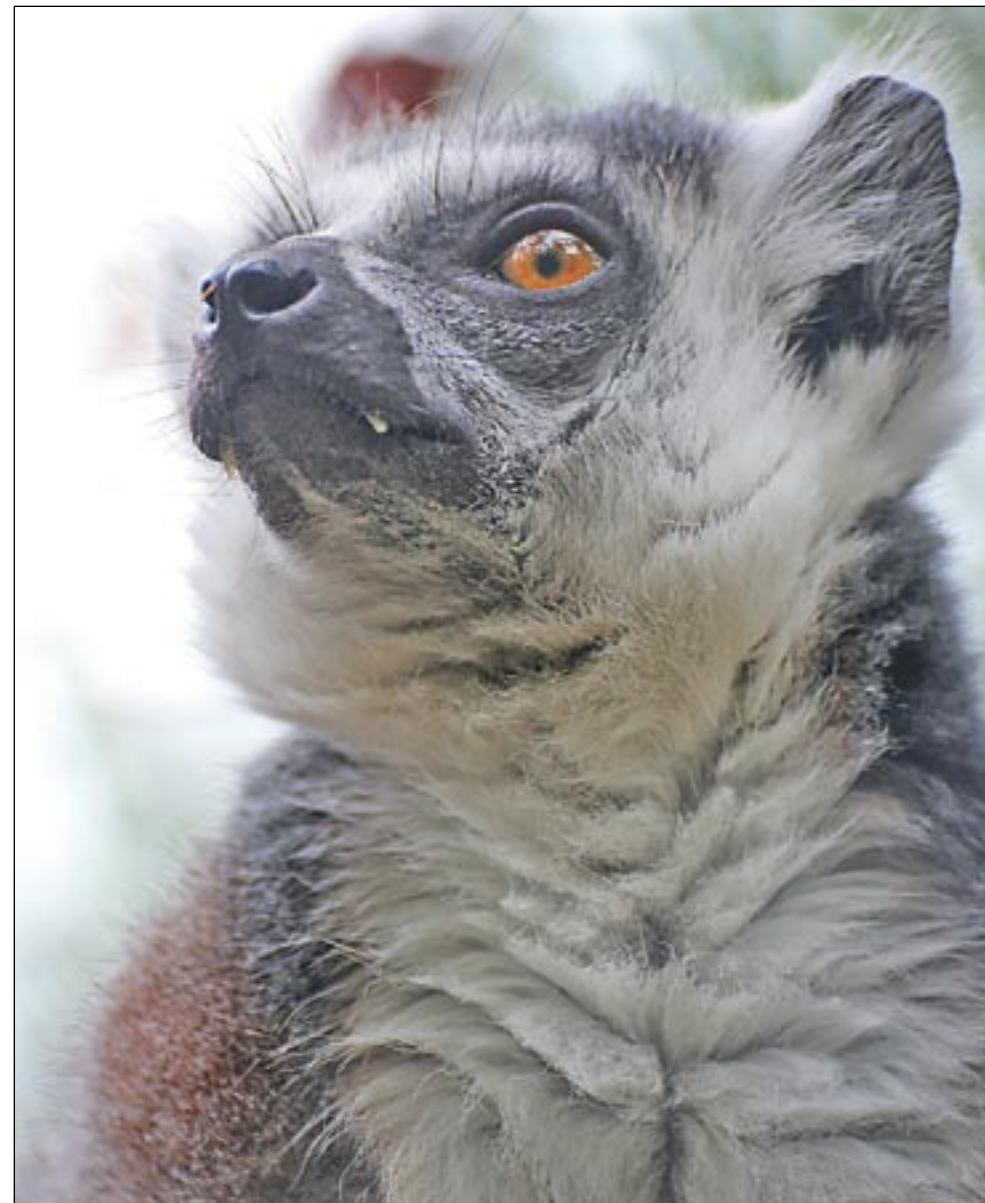


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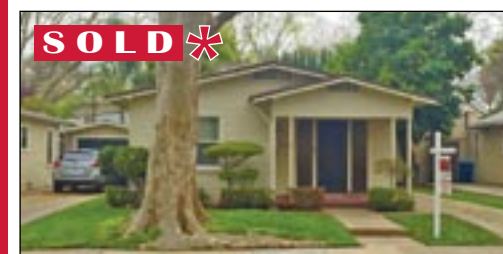
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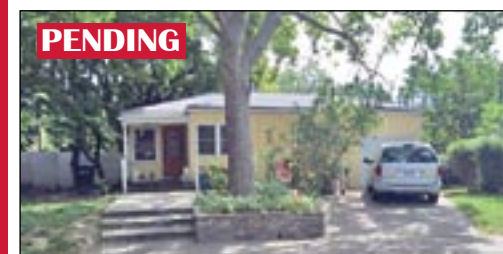
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Pastor Dr. Ephraim Williams' generous spirit and strong leadership was acknowledged in a series of community events



The most senior tenured pastor in the Sacramento region, Dr. Ephraim Williams has been preaching for 50 years, serving as senior pastor of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church for 45 years. While a series of community events will celebrate his legacy, by no means does it signal the conclusion of his career.

Dr. Williams has led one of the largest church congregations in the region, overseeing growth at St. Paul from approximately 100 members to over 3,500; building and remodeling the church, building the Family Life Center and retiring three mortgages ahead of schedule, saving more than \$1.5 million in interest. He is considered the Dean of Preachers in Sacramento and celebrated his tenure among community and church members as well as serving as special guest at a simple "pizza and pictures" event

with area youth, honoring his advocacy and passion for connecting with youth last weekend.

Ever the visionary leader, Dr. Williams is looking ahead to the next church/community project which will likely include an expansion of facilities and services including senior housing, a daycare center, after school program, Saturday school, and expansion of staff and its social service outreach program.

A firm believer in community involvement, Dr. Williams has served in over 20 regional and national community organizations over the years and has been the recipient of numerous awards and recognition, honoring his leadership and efforts to help educate communities about business, entrepreneurship, home ownership, finances, as well as the importance of family, spirituality and building strong communities and cities.

"St. Paul and the Family Life Center have been the cornerstone of our work to bring people together as a community with all of the education, resources and spiritual support that can help build a successful and purpose-driven life," stated Pastor Dr. Williams. "We're much stronger together as a result and I can't wait to learn what the next chapter of our work in the community will bring."

Dr. Williams has trained generations of ministers and has counseled every City of Sacramento mayor, beginning with Phil Isenberg in 1975. He has provided spiritual guidance and support to Mayor Kevin Johnson, who first visited St. Paul at the age of 17 and has served as a loyal member of the congregation since that time.

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Under the leadership of Dr. Williams, the church has built and remodeled 118,000 square feet of building space and paid off three mortgages. All three mortgages were paid off ahead of schedule, saving over \$1.5 million in interest

Dr. Williams honed his business skills working for a Fortune 500 company early in his career while in Chicago. He attended Moody Bible Institute before becoming a pastor and graduated from Conroe Normal Industrial College and Landmark Bible College. He has taken courses at Andrews Bible College

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- President, California State Baptist Convention
- Moderator, Northern District Association
- Sacramento Black Alcoholism Center
- St. Hope Academy

Dr. Williams has received numerous awards and recognition from local, state and national organizations:

- Recipient of the Urban League Community Service Award and first "Lifetime Achievement" Award by the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee
- Most recently recognized by the California Black Legislative Caucus as an "Unsung Hero and Trailblazer" in California
- He has been invited to the White House by the 42nd U.S. President, William Jefferson Clinton, to participate in dialogue regarding issues impacting the African American Community

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Hollywood Hardware to celebrate grand opening under new ownership

By MONICA STARK
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In the face of big box hardware stores, Tom Tognetti goes old school back to a time when families would come to the general store for everything from tools to candies for the kiddos and something for mom.

Tom, a San Rafael resident, bought Hollywood Hardware a year ago and at the time some neighborhood folks and customers feared the beloved neon "Hardware" sign would be removed and that some jobs would be lost. All the staff has remained as has the sign and two full-time and one part-time staff members have been hired. Soon, he hopes to erect a vertical Hollywood sign to complement the hardware one (rendering on the cover).

Tom's fourth store since 1993, Hollywood Hardware,

in the last 10 months transformed into an old-time general store with something for everyone. "Our motto is that we carry out so much more than a hardware store," he said.

Proud of the store's transformation, Tom's opening the doors for a grand opening under his ownership on Saturday, June 4 and Sunday, June 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. With nearly 1,000 door prizes, including some hot giveaways like a \$500 barbecue and an Apple Watch. Freeport Bakery will provide coffee and Danish es; neighboring Little Caesar's will provide pizza for 50 cents, Burgess Brothers will sell their famous ribs and Hollywood Park's St. Robert Catholic School elementary band will play a couple hours in the morning. (See ad on page 11 with all the details.)



Tom Tognetti, new owner of Hollywood Hardware.

"It's a passion. I love business and I love people. It's been a lot of work but now we're on the homestretch and it's fun to see the results. At the beginning people said they loved the store and were glad that it didn't go away. Good store or not, it needed some fresh life. I think I've injected that into it."

Tom's previous three stores—Alameda-based Pagano's Hardware Mart and Pagano's Hardware Towne Centre and Fredericksen Hardware in San Francisco's Cal Hollow neighborhood — each follow Tom's formula for creating a family inclusive one-stop shop.

Tom remembers reading his favorite quote from Alameda Magazine. From memory, he said he loved the part that recommends readers "get a cup of coffee and see what's new at Tagano's."

An owner and founder of an electronics company for the past 30 years, Tom would sell products to Sacramento stores and it was during that time he made strong ties with the Messners, the family that previously for the last 67 years owned Hollywood Hardware. "I've sold every hardware store in Sacramento and got to know the owners from Emigh's to Yankee to Greenhaven. When Denny Messner talked to me at first I turned him down, but then I decided (Hollywood Hardware) has what it takes for an old-time store."

Born in San Francisco, Tom moved to San Rafael at age 8 and spent most of his life living there. Currently, he comes to Sacramento on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays to give his all to Hollywood Hardware. "I love doing it and I have a wife that puts up with it. She knows that it's what I do and that I'm fairly good at it."

Under Tom's leadership, Hollywood Hardware expanded its houseware and giftware section and added impulse-type of buys, such "As Seen on TV" products and palm sized cheese graters, as well as storage containers and expanded its paint department with Color Match. Hollywood Hardware even sells jewelry and crafts made by people in South Land Park, including tote bags with "Hollywood Park" written across.

"We expanded every department by at least 30 percent and now the hardware aisle has 400 more fastener assortments."

At the beginning of Tom's leadership, he said often times customers would come to the store but then had to leave for Home Depot because Hollywood Hardware didn't have what they were looking for. "Now they're saying you just saved me a trip to somewhere else," he said.

Having torn every inch apart of the interior and added 60 percent more inventory, Tom acquired the

nickname "Tornado" by staff. With positive morale at the store, Tom said a few of the workers actually completed nearly most of the store's remodel.

The next step in the store's remodel, Tom plans to remove the black bars that cover the windows near the roof on the front side of the store. He wants to remove them, clean the windows and get some natural light into the store, so he will also re-lamp and paint the ceilings white inside the store.

Tom spent his first eight years of life in SE, then moved to San Rafael, got his first job in high school working a couple of days at a hardware store (LC Smith) then at Jim Corber's in Larkspur. After serving in the Marine Corps, he sold electrical and lightbulbs and called on Sacramento stores, half of which he said don't exist anymore. "(It's) sad. I think the old time stores are going away to big boxes and going to cookie cutters."

And that's his impetus to keep moving forward. "I like to take a store that is flat, stale and recreate it."

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Country Joe McDonald to perform at Sierra 2

By CORKY OAKES

Long before "Country" Joe McDonald gave his infamous cheer at Woodstock in the summer of 1969, Woody Guthrie's persona channeled through his being.

McDonald's father had many similarities to Guthrie. He was born in Oklahoma near Guthrie's hometown; grew up on a farm during the Depression; traveled the freight trains looking for work; was a hobo like Guthrie; ventured to the East Coast whereupon he became involved in "radical politics" and married a "Jewish East Coast intellectual woman" just as Guthrie had.

Joe McDonald's youth was enveloped in this environment and surrounded with music. "My parents had a collection of 78 RPM records called Songs from the Dustbowl. I listened to that music as a small child along with other 78 RPM records my parents had. It was just a certain kind of music I grew up with."

With this collective exposure, McDonald acquired the foundation for what would become "This Land is Your Land", a theatrical production presenting Woody Guthrie's music, writing and philosophies.

McDonald is bringing this production to Sacramento on Friday, June 3 at Sierra 2.

Given his success in the rock 'n' roll world, it is interesting to note that McDonald's first solo album was Thinking of Woody Guthrie (1970). "We went to Nashville, me and the producer from the record company, to make a country western album. We were using great country western instrumentalists. It was a place called Bradley's Barn. They did it so fast we had extra time left over so we decided to record another album with those people because we had already paid for the studio time. We just decided on the spot to record a Woody Guthrie album. I picked out songs I remembered from my childhood and also songs I had heard people sing. I got the lyrics over the phone

to some I didn't remember. We recorded it. Then I forgot about it completely and hardly did any Woody Guthrie material."

Five years later, Guthrie's widow Marjorie together with Harold Leventhal (Guthrie's manager), were planning a tribute to Woody Guthrie at the Hollywood Bowl. Knowing that McDonald had recorded Thinking of Woody Guthrie, they asked if he would be interested in putting music to some of Guthrie's lyrics, something that had not been done before. McDonald recalls that the result of his music and Guthrie's lyrics was "kind of sexy."

"They wanted to introduce the audience to this sexy erotic stuff." One of the songs, Woman at Home, gained particular notoriety. This project was followed in 1980 with McDonald recording Joady Guthrie's (Arlo Guthrie's younger brother) original songs.

In 2001 Nora Guthrie (Woody and Marjorie Guthrie's daughter) launched a traveling exhibit called This Land is Your Land. The exhibit was hosted by the Steinbeck Center in Salinas. McDonald conducted to performing some songs to kick off the exhibit. "For some crazy reason I thought, 'I think I'll read some Woody Guthrie stuff that was my favorite over the years.' I had found a collection of his newspaper articles he wrote for the Communist newspaper, Woody Sez. I also inherited a collection of little books that reviewed records in the folk song era called The Little Sandy Review. They just reviewed folk song albums coming out in the '60s and '70s. I also remembered seeing some letters from Malvina Reynolds to Guthrie concerning a box of cookies she sent to Guthrie when he was in the hospital suffering with Huntington's Disease. I really liked the letters, Woody's column, some stuff from his autobiography and some stuff from my father's book. This morphed into the show I'm bringing to Sacramento."



Photo by Tom Weller

Shown here is a recent photo of Country Joe McDonald.

Over his 50-year singer-songwriting-performing career, McDonald has recorded 25 original albums and a host of compilations. When asked how much of this experience impacted This Land is Your Land, McDonald says, "Throughout my career, I've written songs that were of country roots style. I do a pretty eclectic style of music. I'm very comfortable with country western music when I was a kid. There was a Grand Old Opry West called Town Hall Party in a nearby town. I heard all those country western stars. I understand the Oklahoma guy

who Woody Guthrie was; his sense of humor and style of talking."

McDonald has been known throughout his life as a political activist and supporter of many causes, most recently the environment and nursing (he is an acknowledged scholar about Florence Nightingale). This Land is Your Land stands on its own. "There wasn't a goal. I just picked stuff that I like. I do stuff that I enjoy. I'm quite surprised that it has been as successful as it has been. I'm a singer-songwriter and mostly I like doing my own stuff but this show has become quite popular. I only pick the songs I

enjoy, and not always songs people would normally hear of Woody Guthrie."

This Land is Your Land will be performed Friday, June 3, 2016 at the 24th St. Theatre/Sierra 2 Center for the Arts & Community, 2791 24th St. in Curtis Park. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$27.50 advance/\$30 door. Tickets are also available at: <http://www.inticketing.com/events/535101/country-joe-mcdonald-tribute-to-woody-guthrie/>

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- East Lawn Sierra Falls Memorial Park, 5757 Greenback Lane: 10:00 a.m.

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Call for artists for 4th of July Arts in River Park
Arts in River Park is again participating in River Park Neighborhood Association's 4th of July Festival. Artists and crafters, local businesses are sought as vendors for the annual festival to be held at Glenn Hall Park in River Park Subdivision of East Sacramento on Monday, July 4th. The Buffalo Chips Run begins in the same location at 7:30 a.m. Artists set up at that time and stay until 1 p.m. The event will feature: parade, artists vendors, hands on activities for the kids, information booths, performances throughout the day and food. Artists are invited to promote and sell their handmade arts at the Arts and Crafts Show. Desired arts include ceramic art and pottery, fabric bags, fused glass, wall art, toys, pillows, lavender sachets, soaps, paintings, dolls, calligraphy plates, watercolors. A resale license is a must. For vendor applications and additional information on a 10 x10 space, contact Brenda. Tables and chairs are not included. Admission is free to the public. For more information, contact Brenda Jew Waters at BJewWaters@aol.com for an application.

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

Nar-Anon meeting for families and friends
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 Aviators Restaurant at Executive Airport, 6151 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95822. Rotary is one of the largest service organizations in the world dedicated to community service both locally, and internationally. Please call JR 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.

Soroptimist International Sacramento South
Meets the second and fourth Tuesday at Executive Airport, Aviators Restaurant at 12:15 p.m.

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 Avenue, cost varies as the choice is for 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.

"Two Left Feet" dance class at ACC
Have you always wanted to dance but were afraid to try? Your life is about to change! Have fun laughing and dancing to "Oldies" with a variety of dances such as the waltz, salsa, cha cha, country sounds and more. No experience needed. Pre-registration and prepayment is required or pay a \$7 drop-in fee at the door. Classes are held on Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. at ACC Greenhaven Terrace, 1180 Corporate Way. For more details, call 393-9026 Ext. 330, www.accsv.org.

May
Sacramento Asian Pacific Film Festival
May 27-28: The Sacramento Asian Pacific Cultural Village presents the 2016 Sacramento Asian Pacific Film Festival at the historic Guild Theater in Oak Park, May 27 & 28. Our mission is to celebrate and explore our diverse experiences and advance the roles of Asian and Pacific Islanders in

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film and new media. This year, we're celebrating the rise of Asian representation in film and television. Join us as we welcome feature guests from ABC's hit shows, Fresh Off the Boat and Dr. Ken. Actors - Hudson Yang, Albert Tsai, Peter Kwong and blogger Joze Wang will discuss the past, present and future progress of Asian representation. Event is all ages, with the possible exception of LGBTQ, and some films which will be noted with Mature Audience advisory if rating is not available. Dates and times are as follows: Friday, May 27 from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, May 28 from noon to 9 p.m. The festival will be held at The Guild Theater, 2828 35th St., Sacramento, 95817.

Mount Vernon Memorial Park to Host Memorial Day Service
May 30: Mount Vernon Memorial Park & Mortuary will host a Memorial Day service at 11 a.m. Monday, May 30th at the cemetery, 8201 Greenback Lane in Fair Oaks. The event is free and open to the public. Call 916-969-1251 for more information. The service will bring community leaders and veterans organizations together to honor those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for their country. The service will include guest speakers from the California National Guard, Sac Metro Fire Department displaying a 50 foot flag, performances by the Army Band and a flyover by two T-38 Jets. A skydiver will land in the cemetery with a 30 foot American flag. Hundreds of flags will be displayed throughout the park. Local Boy Scouts will begin placing the flags at 5:30 a.m. The Dignity Memorial network of providers has several initiatives to honor and support our nation's veterans and active military. The initiatives and programs include the Veterans Planning Guide, the Dignity Memorial Homeless Veterans Burial Program, educational veterans seminars and special pricing for members of veterans service organizations.

Old City Cemetery Committee presents Civil Disobedience in the Gilded Age
June 4: The Old City Cemetery Committee presents a tour of civil disobedience in Sacramento's history, starting at 10 a.m. at the Sacramento Historic City Cemetery, 1000 Broadway. Think boycotts, protests and riots are recent creations? Think again. Despite their Victorian stuffiness, the pioneers found ways to express their displeasure. Tales of righteous indignation and justifiable misbehavior, great-great-grandpa-style. The cemetery is located at 1000 Broadway. There is ample free street parking on surrounding streets, with limited parking within the cemetery. Tours are free; however, donations are appreciated and benefit cemetery preservation. For more information, call 448-0811.

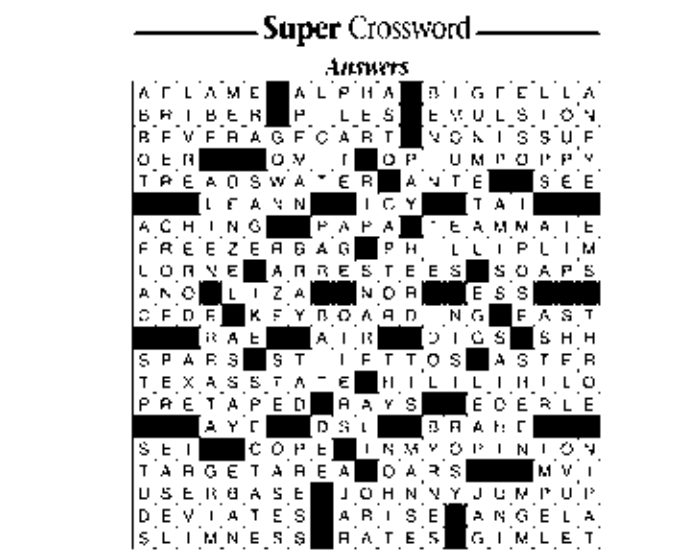
Diabetes academy educational series
June 7: Diabetes 101 on dealing with diabetes. The final class in this series will be on meal planning and carb counting. Free of charge. Pre-registration required. Class will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call 393-9026 ext. 330, www.accsv.org.

June
Music at noon
June 1: Free music programs, offered at Westminster Presbyterian Church at noon on Wednesdays. This week enjoy music by cellist Jia-mo Chen and Friends.

National Cancer Survivor's Day
June 4: UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center presents National Cancer Survivor's Day Saturday, June 4 from 9 a.m. to noon. Free events include talks on personalized medicine, pain management and rehabbing

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Music at noon
June 8: Free music programs, offered at Westminster Presbyterian Church at noon on Wednesdays. This week enjoy music by Bel Tempo Handbells.

Brew for a Cure
June 11: The inaugural Brew for a Cure is set for 3 p.m. at William Land Park, 3800 West Land Park Drive. Enjoy unlimited tastings of over 30 craft breweries, access to local gourmet food trucks, live music, and more, all while benefiting juvenile diabetes research. For more information, email hnelson@jdrf.org

Sacramento annual Nichiren Bazaar
June 11-12: The Sacramento annual Nichiren Bazaar will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Enjoy chow mein, chicken teriyaki, tempura, noodles, shushi, ice cream, snow cones, games, raffle, music, hula and more. 5191 24th St., two blocks north of Fruitridge Road.

Healthy living for your brain and body and driver safety and the aging driver
June 14: As we grow older, we may notice changes to our mental fitness and driving ability. In this 2-hour workshop, come learn strategies to a body-healthy brain and to prolong driving independence. Free of charge. Pre-registration required. Class will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call 1-800-272-3900 or email ptardio@alz.org

Time to put paper in its place
June 15: Have you ever looked at a stack of papers on your desk or kitchen counter and wondered how they all got there? Do you have a "To File" file that never gets filed? Join

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Music at noon
June 15: Free music programs, offered at Westminster Presbyterian Church at noon on Wednesdays. This week enjoy music by guitarist Matthew Grasso and Friends.

Telephone use in emergencies
June 16: Your telephone can save lives! You can use it to call for help, receive emergency announcements or check on loved ones. Do you have a backup plan if cell towers or telephone lines are disabled? In this free workshop, we will review what you should do in the event of an emergency. Bring a cell or landline phone bill for review and receive a free gift. Free of charge. Pre-registration required. Class will be held Thursday June 16, 2016 from 1 to 2 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org

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Bill Clinton visits Land Park for Hillary fundraising event

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First Sac State, then Phil Angelides' house on 13th Avenue in Land Park: the 42nd President of the United States Bill Clinton took to Sacramento to shed light on Hillary Clinton's attributes and past achievements as the California primary draws close on June 7. Inside of the University Ballroom about 1,000 excited people came to see the former president and later that evening about 300 people gathered at the Angelides home. The sold-out fundraising event offered three donation tiers. "Advocates" paid \$500; "Fighters", \$1,000 and "Champions" \$2,700, which included a photo with the former president. Messages to Hillary's fundraising Northern California campaign headquarters regarding the total amount that night have not been answered as of press time.

A Los Angeles Times article, dated Feb. 18 mentions

that Angelides and Board of Equalization member Fiona Ma, both of whom have raised more than \$100,000 for Hillary Clinton, said they also were confident that Clinton was where she needed to be in the fundraising race with Senator Bernie Sanders.

A personal photographer for Angelides for many years, including during his run for governor, Maggie Rose McGurk spoke with Valley Community Newspapers regarding the "closed press" fundraising event in Land Park, which she photographed. Included in the discussion were the following comments: "Phil's wife Julie provided the (Greek) food and their friend Joy prepared the hors d'oeuvres for everybody. After Bill Clinton arrived, he was in the house for awhile and Phil started the event and introduced Bill Clinton and he (Bill) spoke for quite some time. He was really terrific. He was so great with everybody. He had so many great things to say. The photos show how excited every-

one was to shake hands with Bill Clinton. It was mostly outside and it was just a real positive event. Everyone was so happy." Also attending the Land Park event were at least three councilmembers: Mayor Kevin Johnson, Eric Guerra and Steve Hansen.

This isn't the first time Angelides has rolled out the "political red carpet." According to an article in the 1988 Lodi News-Sentinel, the Angelides home went through a major transformation in preparation for a fund-raising dinner for then-Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis, which raised roughly \$1 million, one of the then-biggest political fundraisers to ever be held in Sacramento. Cher was scheduled to attend that event, but canceled after suffering an arm injury, according to the Sentinel.

Bill Clinton's arrival to the neighborhood brought many passersby who watched from the sidewalk of William Land Park to catch a glimpse of the former president.

South Land Park resident Victoria Simmons walks the



Bill Clinton stopped by Sac State before heading to Land Park.

park regularly after work and happened to see protesters on the sidewalk. A Hillary supporter unaware of the fundraising event, she went home, made her own poster and returned to 13th Avenue. To her, Hillary is the "most experienced candidate both with government and foreign policy and has a measured policy on both foreign and domestic issues."

Also hanging out on the lawn on the edge of William Land Park was the Corona family. A contractor, Julio, was working on the house next door. "The owner told us this morning. I forgot to ask her if it was going to be Bill or Hillary. There was a protest, about 30 protesting for awhile... (Bill Clinton) waved at the protesters. They just left after he went inside."

Not sanctioned by either the local Bernie Sanders or Donald Trump campaigns, the protesters reportedly held a microphone and spoke from across the street while guests entered the Angelides' residence.

Darrow Sprague, a lead organizer of the Sacramen-

to for Bernie Sanders group said, "There's no way I'd associate myself with such an effort. It's counter productive. We are focused on direct voter outreach and reaching the undecided voters with Bernie's positive message."

Over at Sac State, where the graduating class just had graduation last Friday, the campus was pretty empty except for inside the ballroom where excited Clinton supporters gathered to hear from the former president Hillary Clinton's past achievements.

"Are we going to build a future of walls or bridges?" If you want walls, be with the "other guy"; if you want bridges, "you have to be with Hillary," Mr. Clinton said in his opening remarks. "If you believe we can build a 21st century economy, she is your candidate."

Discussing the road to economic recovery, Clinton said it's taken a long time to get back on our feet, though he acknowledged that 80 percent of American people haven't had a pay raise. "There's so much anxiety," he said. But despite the adversity, he said the country has a

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chance to rise together. "You need a proven change maker... The only candidate that has repeatedly gotten republican support (is Hillary).

Opening the Sac State event, Assemblymember Dr. Richard Pan, a pediatrician, father and husband, addressed the audience: "I know Hillary has been in trenches fighting for children, fighting for women. She needs to be our president." Hillary, he said, has been joined by every Asian Pacific Islander in the caucus. "We need a strong leader that can lead that can bring people together."

Further showing the diverse support for Hillary included The California Legislative Black Caucus, which unanimously endorsed Hillary and the powerful Latino Caucus.

Latino Caucus chairman, Assembly member Luis Alejo (D-Salinas), noted that 40 percent of California's population is Latino and that the caucus proudly stands with Hillary. "She has a path to equal citizenship. She wants to build bridges; she doesn't want to build walls. Si se puede."

After the event, VCN tried speaking with volunteers of the HRC campaign who were standing outside the ballroom. Multiple volunteers declined interviews saying they were forbidden to talk to press and that they didn't hear Clinton's speech anyway.

Also kept out of the event was Hillary supporter Ray Jones. "I missed it. I went to the bathroom and they wouldn't let me back in."

Undecided on who she was going to vote for, Shap Bahardar said Bill Clinton's speech solidified her vote for Hillary. "I knew her record. Knew some of her record, but what was shared tonight was more in depth. What she's done and under the radar and what she's done on a daily basis on positions she's held. Very valuable things she's done and that makes her pretty darn qualified... I love Bill. When he was president, those were some of the best years we came really to see him than more to support her. But it was two birds with one stone. By loving him, he shed light on pieces of her that makes more sense to me."



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