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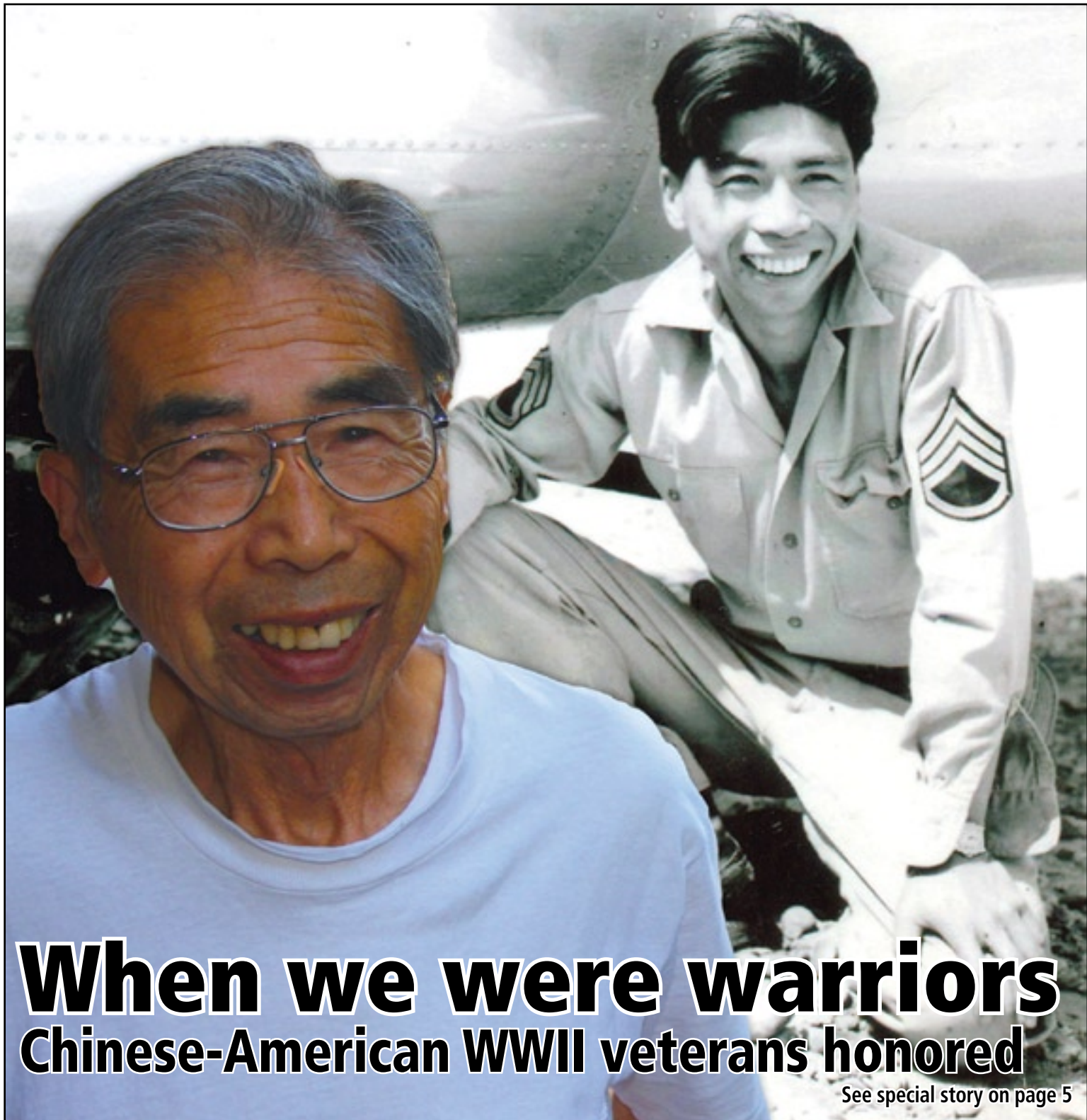
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Sacramento to host North American youth film festival Oct. 2

Special Sacramento film event helps connect young digital video artists with big studio counterparts

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Lights, camera, action: The digital revolution is in focus, on the screen and online. And one local man is making sure young people don't miss it.

On Oct. 2, the city of Sacramento will play host to a very special film festival, one geared toward recruiting young people and teens into the digital age as artists, not amateurs. This

event, the 13th annual North American All Youth Film and Education Day, will expose young people – the future leaders of tomorrow – to the amazing, groundbreaking work done by their peers. The event will feature more than three dozen of the greatest youth-produced films from around the United States and Canada.

The festival, which is divided into five showcases and runs from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., will be held at the Crest

Theatre, 1013 K St. The event will also be streamed live online at www.towerofyouth.org.

The film festival is supported by the local non-profit group Tower of Youth, an organization that not only provides technology, training and school partnerships to young students, but also hosts educational film festivals that showcase the movies made by youth and introduces young artists to cinema icons and representatives of major

Hollywood studios. In addition to the North American All Youth Film and Education Day, Tower of Youth also hosts the annual Teen Digital Reel Showcase and Awards, which celebrates the talents of local youth filmmakers.

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Local Chinese World War II veterans receive recognition, share vivid memories

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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Chinese World War II veterans received a special public recognition this past weekend at the Chinatown Mall Culture Fair in downtown Sacramento. And following this recognition, they individually met one-on-one with The Pocket News to share some of their personal wartime memories.

Their meetings with the newspaper fulfilled a two-fold purpose of preserving history, as well as drawing further attention to these men who gave the ultimate sacrifice of serving their country during this war.

Freeman Lee, event coordinator and commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Chung Mei Post #8358 in which local Chinese World War II veterans are members, led the event's recognition ceremony.

Standing before a large crowd in the Chinatown Mall plaza, Lee introduced the Chinese-American World War II veterans in attendance.

And speaking about Chinese-American World War II veterans, in general, Lee said, "On behalf of the Chung Mei Post, I want to honor the Chinese-American World War II veterans who fought and died for the freedom and liberties of all Americans."

Lee continued his speech, noting the many efforts of both local and nationwide Chinese-Americans, who were drafted and volunteered for the war.

"A Sacramento newspaper reported during the war that three Yee families in Sacramento sent 12 sons to fight in World War II," Lee said. "In total, 13,499 Chinese-Americans fought in the war for the United States. They fought in Europe, Asia and Africa. They saw action in the invasion of Normandy, Battle of the Bulge, invasion

of Okinawa, the Philippines, India and China. Chinese-American soldiers also helped build Gen. (Joseph) Stilwell's highway in Burma – also known as the Burma Road – and they flew with Gen. Claire Lee Chenault's Flying Tiger."

Lee explained that it was not uncommon for a large percentage of Chinese-Americans to participate in military activities during the war, considering that by U.S. law men with no dependants were the first to be drafted and that the Chinese Exclusion Act had created a bachelor's society of single Chinese men in America. Furthermore, many other Chinese-Americans volunteered for service during World War II.

Various local officials, including Mayor Kevin Johnson, District 4 Councilmember Rob Fong and District 2 County Supervisor Jimmie Yee, also participated in the event.

Meeting men of history

In a brief, exclusive interview with The Pocket News, Johnson said that he appreciates the local Chinese-American community's efforts to pay tribute to Chinese-American

veterans and veterans, in general.

"We as a country have not done as good of a job as we should of valuing, appreciating and supporting those who have fought and given their lives for the freedom that we all enjoy," Johnson said. "I am fully committed that we, as a city, do our part to lobby to make sure that all of our veterans get the respect, recognition and support that they deserve."

Lee said that World War II veterans continue to lose their lives at a rate of 2,000 per day and that because of this statistic, the need to preserve their memories of the war is becoming increasingly important.

Through the efforts of Lee and Steve Yee, who also assisted in coordinating the event, interview appointments were arranged, which resulted in the following information that was gathered through exclusive interviews with the following veterans:

Milo Chun

The eldest of this veteran group at 91 years old, Chun, a 1939 graduate of McClatchy

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In addition to his World War II military background, Greenhaven area resident Ping Leong is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Chung Mei Post #8358 Honor Guard. **On the cover:** David Yee, then and now.



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High School, went to Camp Roberts for Army basic training in 1942 before going to Fort Lewis in the state of Washington, where he joined the 3rd Infantry Division. Later, he was transferred to San Francisco's 30th Infantry Regiment, which eventually led him to Rome, Italy. His involvement also brought him to southern France to the Division of Artillery headquarters, Morocco and Austria.

While in combat in Morocco, Chun lost one of his close friends, who died in a battle.

In a separate battle, Chun, who later worked for about 26 years as an aircraft technician at McClellan Air Force Base, was hit by shrapnel from artillery shell and received a Purple Heart.

Ping Leong

A Greenhaven area resident, Leong, 87, who was born in Phoenix, Ariz. to his Chinese-born parents, Quong and Chin Leong, said that he was drafted into the Army in December 1941, yet he was already serving as a volunteer in the Navy.

Opting to stay in the Navy, Leong studied aviation mechanics in aviation school in Oklahoma and was later sent to the New Hebrides islands, where ammunition and bombs were stored.

Leong, who was the lone person of Asian descent in his group, said that he was very

fortunate to survive a nighttime air attack by the Japanese in New Hebrides.

"The Japanese generally came at nighttime to survey the island," Leong said. "They couldn't see much at night, but there was enough light that they could drop bombs there every now and then. One time a bomb came so close to the ammunition storage that it could've blown the whole island apart with all the inhabitants there, so I was lucky to come back."

Like Chun, Leong also made a career working at McClellan, as he spent about 25 years there as an aircraft mechanic.

Lawrence Chew

A native of Courtland and a former student at Galt High School, Chew, 84, is the grandson of Ah Chew, who came to the Sacramento Valley in about the 1850s.

Lawrence recalled his early transition from his former life to his wartime life.

"I got on a ship in the New York Harbor somewhere, passing by the Statue of Liberty and I looked up there and thought, 'What a sight,'" Lawrence said. "Here I was a farm boy who never left the farm and hardly went to a movie and here I was just looking at (the statue). It was beautiful. It was a sight to see."

Trained to use an M1 rifle during his basic training in Little Rock, Ark., Lawrence, who was the only Chinese-American in his company, described what it was like to enter the battlefields at the age of 19 in 1944.



Pocket News Photo/Lance Armstrong
Land Park resident Joe Wayne Fong was one of several Chinese World War II veterans honored at the Chinatown Culture Fair last Sunday.

"I was the only Chinese in the company and I was the shortest one, too, but I kept up with the big guys," Lawrence said. "I was fighting in combat, mostly in Germany, and it was a scary thing. At times I was so scared that I was shaking all over and I just couldn't move."

Reflecting upon his war service, Chew said, "I am happy and proud that I was able to serve (the United States), but as far as (receiving personal) recognition, I don't know. It's just something that had to be done in those days."

Kern Chew

Like his brother Lawrence, Kern, 87, also joined the military during World War II.

Drafted in 1944, Kern completed 17 weeks of training at Camp Roberts and later became an infantry replacement for the 96th Division.

After completing aircraft landing training, Kern partic-

ipated in the Battle of Okinawa.

Describing this battle, Kern said, "On April 1, 1945, we went in and there was not much opposition. We were lucky. The Marines, they got some, but we didn't have too much."

Kern added that his battalion was later involved in a noteworthy conflict.

"About 800 (Japanese) came in and our battalion took them all, but we lost a lot of people that night," Kern said.

With only six soldiers remaining out of his platoon of 40, Kern was involved in another combat on April 27, 1945, in which he was injured.

"I got shrapnel in my lung, shrapnel in my shoulder and I had some go into my neck and cut my vocal chord," Kern said. "I talk real low now, but

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Fighting men: 'I feel that I have done something for the country'

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my voice came back to me, so I was lucky."

After returning from the war, Kern, who now resides in the South Land Park area, eventually established a farming business, which he ran for 32 years in Sacramento, Yolo and Solano counties with his oldest brother, Chester.

David Yee

A former member of the Army Air Forces, Yee, 88, was drafted into the service in November 1942 after graduating from Sacramento High School.

After spending about a year at McClellan, Yee reported to a recruiting center in San Francisco.

Trained to work with B-24 bombers, Yee, who currently lives in the Land Park area, joined the 455th Bombardment Group of the 15th Air Force.

Yee said that during his time with this group, he was shot down over Austria and became a Prisoner of War.

"We were shot down in German-controlled Austria and I was about the next to last person to parachute out of the plane," Yee said. "I was picked up by an old man with a rifle and I was escorted into town and was kept for two weeks in solitary confinement in a dark room. Overall, I was kept for approximately 11 or 12 months. I was

finally able to break camp when all the guards disappeared."

Yee said that he believes that the German prison guards were killed during the night by Russian soldiers, who had arrived from the Eastern Front.

Thinking back on his years in the war, Yee said that he feels honored to have served his country.

"Something like (serving in World War II) doesn't come around every day," Yee said. "When Uncle Sam calls you to do something like that and you fulfill what he asks you to do, it's definitely a really big honor."

Joe Wayne Fong

A Land Park area resident, Fong, 85, was drafted into the Army in August 1944.

After reporting to the preliminary induction office at the Japanese church at 4th and O streets, Fong was sent to San Francisco and then to the Presidio in Monterey.

Traveling by train across the same tracks that were built by his Chinese ancestors, Fong arrived at Fort Knox, Ky., where he received his Army training.

Fong said that before leaving the United States, he had a strong feeling that he may not survive the war.

"I had a feeling that I may not come back, but that didn't bother me much,



Sacramento residents Kern Chew (left) and his brother Lawrence Chew served the United States military during World War II.

because as a soldier I wanted to help the country," Fong said.

A member of the 3rd Army, 90th Infantry, 773 Tank Destroyer Battalion Recon Co. under General George Patton, Fong was involved in several battles along the Rhine River.

Fong, who was a member of one of the first troops to go to Czechoslovakia in April 1945, said that he is proud to have served in the war.

"I feel that I have done something for the country and the people of the battalion and we all came out equally in one piece," Fong said. "I think we were sleeping with the angels."

Fighting men

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Now 30 years old, 'under-the-freeway' market first of 10 CFM markets established in Sacramento area

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Whether it's this Sunday, next Sunday or whatever Sunday for that matter, the good news is that the popular Certified California-Grown Farmers' Markets continues to offer fresh produce at the "under-the-freeway" farmers' market at 8th and W streets throughout the year. Along with this market, four other CFM markets in the county also operate 12 months per year.

So, despite a misconception that many people have about these markets that they are solely warm-weather-markets that will close down their operations after the summer in the same manner as swimming at public pools, outdoor concerts at local venues and baseball games at Raley Field, the public can rest assured that these markets will continue to operate long after the last of the local tomato vines dry up.

Good food not far

Every Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon, guests arriving at the market at the state parking lot, just south of Southside Park, will con-

tinue to find a wide array of fruits and vegetables, explained Dan Best, Certified Farmers' Markets coordinator.

"The farmers' market (at 8th and W streets) is a year-round market, because people actually eat with the seasons," Best said. "We're starting to lose some of the summer fruit, but then in just a month or so, we'll start seeing kiwis, we'll see a large apple crop and then by November, we'll see the first of the citrus, which will carry us into the winter."

Best said that in terms of upcoming vegetables, guests of the market will soon be able to purchase Sacramento Valley-grown broccoli.

Residents of the Land Park area and other Sacramento area residents are fortunate to have such a high caliber farmers' market as the 8th and W streets market, Best added.

Furthermore, Best describes this market as a world-class quality market.

"The farmers' market under the freeway is probably one of the great markets in the world," Best said. "I mean, we have people who have traveled all over the world and



Every Sunday, the state parking lot, just south of Southside Park, transforms into the Land Park area's popular under-the-freeway farmers' market. *Pocket News Photo/Lance Armstrong*

they have come on back and they say that there is nothing that compares to this (market) in terms of our offerings from real farmers. We usually have almost 120 real farmers down there and you're buying directly from them. We don't fool around, because it's a real farmers' market."

Best's comments regarding the quality of this farmers' market are additionally validated considering that Best has been a part of the market since its inception.

History of healthy offerings

Best recently shared how the market began nearly 30 years ago and what his

participation was with the market during its earliest years.

"The (8th and W streets market) started in August of 1980 as a Certified Farmers' Market," Best said. "It was basically started by the Interface Service Bureau and the Hunger Action Coali-

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tion and then a group of growers. Through the efforts of those three and the state of California, it was started. And I was part of the first growers who sold there. My family grows out of Lodi, so we were selling white sweet corn there and we ended up selling organic tomatoes and bell peppers. So, at various times, I was either known as the 'White Corn Guy,' the 'Pepper Man' or the 'Organic Tomato Guy.' So, every time someone becomes noted for whatever they sell, they become a commodity themselves. Not quite like SpongeBob SquarePants, but similar."

Best said that the motivation for operating certified farmers' markets is to bring low cost produce to the inner city.

"Primarily what we're trying to do is keep the food supply secure in California and the only way that you do that is to preserve farmland and then make farming viable on that farmland," Best said. "Without farmers farming in California, there is no food supply, unless you're going to get it from out of state or out of the country and that isn't very secure."

Growing a crowd

Since the first Certified Farmers' Market was established in the Land Park area, the popularity of CFM markets has continued to grow.

Best, however, said that this growth did not occur instantly.

"During the early 1980s, it was really tough to get people to come on down and get into the concept (of the market)," Best said. "But we got to be kind of faddish maybe during the 1990s and then all of a sudden now it has just really taken off with all the writings of 'The Omnivore's Dilemma' and Alice Waters. There's been an awful lot of publicity about farmers' markets and about eating fruits and vegetables and being green by eating local. There's just a ton of things that have contributed to our recent success."



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Certified Farmers' Markets Coordinator Dan Best has been associated with the under-the-freeway farmers' market since its opening in August 1980.

Best noted, however, that despite such continuously growing success, the market still only reaches a small portion of the population, because the majority of the population still is not cooking their own food or eating fresh fruits and vegetables.

"(The public) is still buying things in a box and microwaving it," Best said. "So, there's a limit as to how far we will grow until more people in society start cooking their own food. We don't sell prepared food, because we're farmers and the whole focus of that particular market is to keep farmers in farming."

Best encourages the public to take advantage of the market throughout the year for not only the freshest produce sold directly from the farmers, but also to take advantage of seasonal products that provide many health benefits.

The season actually provides you with what you need at that time for health reasons," Best said. "I mean, all the vegetables that we're going to be seeing are really high in Vitamin A and Vitamin C and all your fruits are very high in Vitamin C. I think one kiwi is worth 10 lemons in Vitamin C. So, it's a year-round love affair with whatever the local farmer has to produce and what the body needs for that particular time in the season."

One-of-a-kind market

Best said that the 8th and W streets farmers' market is a one-of-a-kind experience that offers a phenomenal range of diversity.

"Sacramento is the most diverse city in California and California is obviously the most diverse state in the union and the union is the most diverse country in the world, so we're looking at the most diverse (farmers') market in the universe," Best said. "So, if you really want an eye opener of seeing a great market in action, then come on down to the Sunday market, because you'll never see anything like it again."

For additional information regarding Certified Farmers' Markets, call 688-0100 or visit the Web site www.california-grown.com.



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The under-the-freeway Certified Farmers' Market at 8th and W streets in Sacramento is held every Sunday throughout the year, from 8 a.m. to noon.

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Runaway Stage Productions has strong local roots

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Runaway Stage Productions, the non-profit, live theater company established in Sacramento 12 years ago, is continuing its well-rooted history in the Land Park area.

Recently featuring the musical, "Footloose," Runaway Stage is in its eighth year presenting its continuously popular productions at the 24th Street Theatre in the historic Sierra School building at 2791 24th St.

The establishment of Runaway Stage began with a group of five state workers – Bob Baxter, his wife Lillian Baxter, Brian McCann, Sandra McCann and Gina McCann – who had an interest in live theater.

These individuals worked together to present their first production, "Serenity Lost: A Tale of Gold, Greed and Gossip," at Old Sacramento's 150-seat Eagle Theater.

Bob Baxter, who serves as RSP's producing director, recalls the early steps that he took to begin the creation of RSP.

"After the success of one show, I went to Tower Books and got a book on (the topic of) incorporating and applied to the IRS for a 501(c)3 designation

and that's how Runaway Stage Productions became Runaway Stage Productions," Bob said.

RSP spent the following three years producing musicals at the Eagle Theater before relocating to its current Land Park area site.

Finding life on stage

The original Runaway group's love for live theater, as well as their personal connections with one another, proved to be very beneficial in the formation of RSP.

Bob, who spent the earliest years of his life in Southern California, said that an important strength of the group was established through his connection with Brian McCann, who was enrolled with Bob in drama classes at Hiram Johnson High School about 30 years ago.

After graduating from Johnson High in 1982, Bob, who first became interested in live theatrical performances in junior high school when he saw the musical, "Damn Yankees," and then took his first theatrical role as Gremio in "The Taming of the Shrew," continued his work in drama.

Following his performances in many community shows, Bob moved to Los Angeles, where he performed as a



Pictured here is Runaway Stage Productions' performance of "The Sound of Music."

Photo courtesy RSP

member of both the Actor's Equity Association and the Screen Actors Guild.

Bob said that while in the Los Angeles area, he also became involved in a very time consuming schedule, when he took a professional role in a regional musical, called "Peril on the Prairie," at Knott's Berry Farm.

"I was working for the state and working at Knott's Berry Farm, so I would do six days a week (at Knott's), six shows-a-day and I would work my state job from 5 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.," Bob said. "I would also do some extra time for the state on Saturdays in order to make up some of the hours. It was quite a schedule, but I loved it."

Bob said that the road to the creation of Runaway Stage was paved when he moved to the Sacramento area with his wife. Soon after this move, RSP was born.

Although the McCanns are no longer directly connected with Runaway Stage, the family-like working relationship

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Acting up: 'We are a family...in our home at the 24th Street Theatre'

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established by the original RSP members set the foundation for the family-like working relations and environment that continues at RSP today.

Acting up

Since establishing itself as a small, five-member board, RSP has since grown into an 11-member board, which is split into two sections. The first section is the administrative or executive side, led by Executive Director Karen Day, and the second section is the artistic side, which is operated by Bob and Lillian.

Bob said that Runaway Stage's nine-year run at the 24th Street Theatre has been a great experience for both RSP and the theater itself.

"We kind of put 24th Street Theatre on the map with the general public of Sacramento, because they didn't even know it was there," Bob said. "We love the theater. It has a wonderful feel inside. It's in a neighborhood, it's in a business district and it feels like home for us. And we are a family of theater people in our home at the 24th Street Theatre."

RSP's existence in the theater was made possible through the 1989 Music Circus project that transformed the old Sierra School flat gym with a stage at one end into the 260-seat theater, which includes vintage seats from the Memorial Auditorium.

Bob, who served as the assistant to former Music Circus Producing Director Leland Ball from 1981 to 1984, said that the Music Circus' unsuccessful inaugural winter season at the theater opened the door for RSP to make the theater its home.

"The (Music Circus) created the 24th Street Theatre for their winter season," Bob said. "That was the first winter season that Music Circus did. They (permanently) left the facility, which made it available for the community."

After a year of hosting musical theater workshops at the 24th Street Theatre, RSP obtained full-time status within the building with the retirement of local dance teacher and choreographer Margaret Farris, who was renting out space within the building.

Today, RSP rents the theater every other month and has a rehearsal studio and a costume cot-

tage with 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week availability at the theater.

Using its regular status at the theater to its benefit, RSP has gained a strong following within the community, as it has produced a variety of award-winning productions.

Among RSP's most successful productions have been "Wild Party," "All Shook Up" and classics such as "The Sound of Music" and "Fiddler on the Roof."

As further indication of RSP's success, the theatrical company has won various Elly Awards, including this year's awards, which were: Chris Cook, Best Musical Director for "Wild Party," Robin Hushbeck, Best Supporting Actress for "Wild Party," Bob Baxter, Best Leading Actor, Adult, Young People's Play for "Rapunzel" and Kacey Kamrin, Best Supporting Actress, Adult, Young People's Play for "Rapunzel."

On stage now

The community is invited to purchase tickets to future RSP productions.

Former productions include the aforementioned Footloose, a musical featuring the character Ren's challenge to bring dancing back to a small town, which has banned its activity, and the children's Storybook Theatre musical, "The True Story of the Big Bad Wolf", a reversed story featuring the Big Bad Wolf's point of view that he was framed and he did not do the crime that he was accused of committing.

Upcoming productions will include: "Meet Me in St. Louis" (Nov. 6 through 29), an optimistic musical about the Smith family of St. Louis in 1904, and the Storybook



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Pictured here is Runaway Stage Productions' performance of the Elly Award winning production of "Wild Party."

Theatre's "The Emperor's New Clothes" (Nov. 14, 21 and 28), a story about an emperor who was so fond of new clothes that he spent all his money on such beautiful new apparel.

Main productions are performed on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

All Storybook Theatre productions, which are original, fractured fairytale scripts written by Lillian Baxter and other writers, are held on Saturdays at noon and 2 p.m.

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Event tickets are currently available for purchase and can be sold as a package deal for \$20, which includes \$10 in food tickets plus 30 game tickets. Ticket order forms must be returned by Oct. 16. Tickets can also be purchased and picked up the day of the festival at the ticket booth. For more information on the event and ticket sales, call Stacey Okino at (916) 952-5582 or e-mail deko99@sbcglobal.net.

Games at the event include speed pitch, ring toss, goldfish booths, cakewalk, duck pond, dime pitch and flip-a-frog. Redeem game tickets for cool prizes or take a chance on the big raffle prizes.

Food includes hot dogs, drinks, pizza, Hawaiian, Japanese and Mexican foods, cotton candy, Lolo island freeze and flavored popcorn.

Fun events to be held include a "dunk tank" featuring favorite Didion school staff; a giant slide; Hoppity pony race course; balloons; and airbrush tattoos. There will also be a pumpkin patch.

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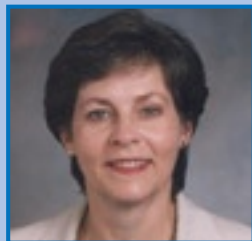
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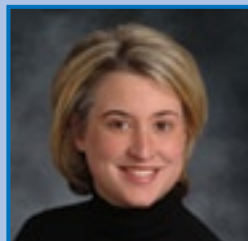


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Connecting with the City Council, the community

By **ROBBIE WATERS**
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Special to The Pocket News

Pocket Coalition Meeting

The next meeting of the Pocket-Greenhaven Coalition will be on Thursday, October 1 at 6:30 p.m. We have two fantastic guest speakers for this meeting, both of whom were requested by Pocket residents at previous meetings. The first is Noel Eusebio, the City's resident anti-graffiti expert. The second is Jon Fitzpatrick, traffic engineer for the South Area, who will discuss options for dealing with neighborhood traffic concerns. Of course, the meeting is also an excellent forum to voice any other neighborhood issues that you may be interested in.

Safety Fair

Want to learn more about safety or our police and fire departments? The perfect opportunity is at the Safety Fair on October 11 from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. at the Public Safety Center, 5770 Freepoint Boulevard. This is a fun and educational events with fingerprinting for kids, K-9 demos, crime prevention and disaster preparedness information, volunteer opportunities, fire engines, bounce house, pandemic flu information, DUI simulation goggles and more. Presented by our Police and Fire Departments and CERT.

Third annual e-waste recycling at Kennedy

October 17 from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. is the third annual free E-Waste Recy-

cling event benefitting Kennedy High School's PACE program and Martin Luther King K-8. This event has been super popular it's first two years so bring your outdated electronic items to be recycled and your patience. For more information, call Margie Ng at 392-2317.

Neighborhood Resource Team

The next meeting of the NRT is Wednesday, November 18, at 6 p.m. at the Pannell Center at 24th and Meadowview. We discuss neighborhood concerns in the police and code areas and meet with city staff. The Area 2 Community Partnership Meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Pocket-Greenhaven Friends of the Library

Pocket-Greenhaven Friends of the Library will next meet on Thursday, October 22 from 6:30-8 p.m. The meetings are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend. The location is the library at Martin Luther King Jr. K-8 School at 480 Little River Way.

New neighborhood watch in Greenhaven

An exciting new Neighborhood Watch group has recently formed in Greenhaven along Seymour Park. The first meeting had over 60 neighbors participating. For more information, visit their website at bigtent.com/groups/greenhavennw

Toilet rebates winding down

If you are thinking about a bathroom remodel, or just getting a new toi-

let, take advantage of the rebates from the city for water efficient toilets. Currently, there is a rebate of up to \$175 for purchase of a toilet that uses less than 1.28 gallons and another rebate of up to \$125 for a toilet that uses less than 1.6 gallons. Save all receipts. The toilet rebate is probably ending in December of this year so now is the time to act. How about a new washer? There is also a rebate for "tier 3" efficient washing machines. Call 311 for information about any of these rebates.

Help break the record

Interested in helping break the City Council record for email subscriptions? Already subscribed but frequently forwarding to others? Help District 7 pass the 1,000-subscription milestone for our email blasts. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming more informed about community events and happenings, sign up for District 7 e-mail alerts on the District 7 Web site. If you need help, call my office at 808-7338.

Captain Jerry Traffic Safety

This program is designed to teach elementary school age children about traffic safety in a fun and interactive atmosphere. Presenters teach the children about bicycle safety, bus safety, seatbelt safety, and signal/crosswalk safety. At no cost to any of the City's elementary schools, the Captain Jerry Team presents the Traffic Safety Program to more than 10,000 children annually, teaching them about staying

safe on the streets. For more information, or if you would like your child's school to receive a visit from the Captain Jerry program, please contact John "Bucky" Perez at 808-7607.

Keeping our quality of life

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Need more information?

My office sends out helpful community information on an e-mail list. To join the list, visit the main city Web page at www.cityofsacramento.org and use the "e-mail alert" link to sign up.

Boards and Commissions

For a list of openings on city Boards and Commissions, check the city Web page at www.cityofsacramento.org and click on the "Boards & Commissions" icon on the left side of the main page for updated information throughout each month or call the City Clerk's Office at 808-7200. Applications can be found on the Boards and Commissions page.

Business brief

Word's out on new café

On Sept. 19, the area's latest café opened for business. Spill the Beans, a coffee house and specialty eatery, opened its doors at the site of the former bakery inside of Vic's IGA Market, 5820 S Land Park Dr. After months of construction and development, café owner Michael Shugert realized his dream last weekend, celebrating with the community and holding the grand opening for the new coffee venue.



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Baristas Joseph Wyatt and John Morrison prepare coffee at Spill the Beans.

Spill the Beans offers gourmet coffee and unique bakery items. The café is located inside Vic's IGA Market and is open from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on weekdays and 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends. For more information, call (916) 428-1920.

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Well-known East Lawn Memorial Park established 105 years ago this month

Historic Sacramento cemetery includes graves of renowned people

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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This month marks a grand milestone for one of East Sacramento's major landmarks, as East Lawn Memorial Park at the present-day address of 4300 Folsom Blvd. on the former M Street Road turns 105 years old.

Established in October 1904, the cemetery was founded on 42 acres of the old Newton Booth place, which was previously known as Twin Oaks Farm.

Louis Breuner of the city's old Breuner's furniture fame purchased the property, which was at the time located in a very rural area.

The location of the cemetery, which was designed with an artistic, park-like effect, was not randomly selected, but instead was chosen due to its high elevation.

East Lawn was born through an ongoing problem in the city's history – flooding.

The Sacramento Bee in 1905 explained the floodwaters connection with the establishment of East Lawn, noting "When the floodwaters of the Sacramento River came through the Edwards break last year and inundated the City Cemetery (now Sacramento Historic City Cemetery on Broadway, between Riverside Boulevard and Muir Way) to such an extent that headboards floated away and

there was no place to bury the dead, Mr. Breuner became imbued with the idea that a beautiful lawn cemetery could be built at the Twin Oaks Farm, where the ground is high and forever free from floods."

East Lawn, which added a crematorium in 1911 and a mausoleum in 1926, also includes a chapel, a florist and a second, smaller mausoleum.

As for the cemetery's burials, like many large, historic cemeteries, East Lawn has its fair share of notable, permanent residents.

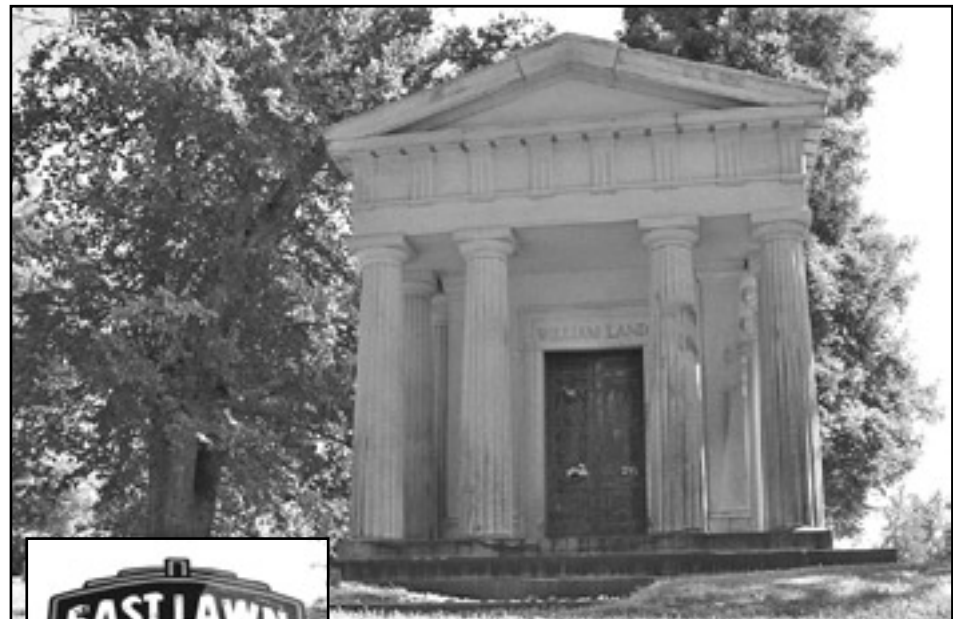
And fortunately for the cemetery and the general public, Fair Oaks native William Pettite has labored extensively to create a recently updated, 35-page, colorful booklet, which includes a collection of brief summaries of some of the most renowned of these residents.

Famous residents

Among these residents listed in Pettite's booklet is early Sacramento hotel and landowner, William Land (1837-1911), whose name is well preserved through the 166.5-acre William Land Park, which was constructed through \$250,000 bequeathed by Land for the establishment of "a recreation spot for the children and a pleasure ground for the poor."

Those seeking to find Land's gravesite should have no problem encountering its whereabouts, since it sits on the highest peak in the city and includes an ancient Greek architecture-style, pillared mausoleum.

Pettite's booklet, which is available at the historic mausoleum at the cen-



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(above) The final resting place of early Sacramento hotel and landowner, William Land, sits on the highest peak in the city at East Lawn Memorial Park.

(inset) This vintage neon sign with a functioning and accurate clock advertises for East Sacramento's historic East Lawn Memorial Park.

ter of the cemetery, also features the following notable names:

Newton J. Eary (1837-1928): Brother to the "storybook marshal" Wyatt Eary, the Kentucky-born Newton served in the Civil War and on "peace committees" to bring law and order to the West.

John Breuner (1828-1890): German immigrant and founder of Breuner's furniture, which was the first furniture store in California – a single-story cabinet shop at 6th and K streets. John Breuner was the father of John Breuner, Jr. and the aforementioned Louis Breuner, who both operated the store following his death.

Dorothy Milette Bern (1886-1932): Referred to in various books and films as the "mystery woman" in actress Jean Harlow's life, Dorothy was once married to film director Paul Bern, who later married Harlow. Dorothy allegedly shot and killed Bern in Beverly Hills. Two days later, Dorothy apparently committed suicide by jumping off the Delta King riverboat near Walnut Grove.

Joseph H. McKinney (18??-1850): McKinney was the first law enforcement officer in California to be killed in the line of duty. Sheriff McKinney

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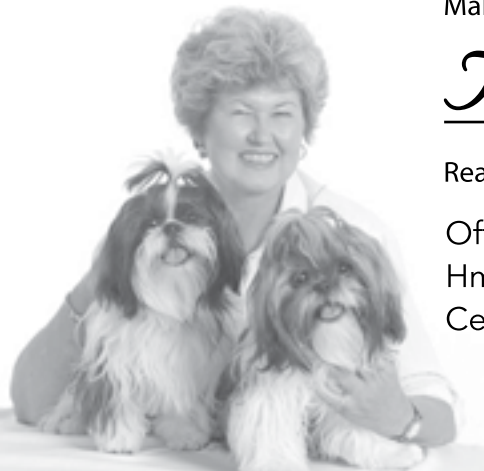
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East Lawn: The cemetery 'is indeed our greatest repository of the past'

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was killed by land squatters on Aug. 15, 1850.

Clarence Larkin (1891-1937): Larkin, who lost his life during the Folsom Prison riot of 1937, became the only California warden to be killed in the line of duty. His life and service was honored at the Memorial Auditorium with one of the largest funerals ever held in Sacramento.

James R. Garlick (1888-1962): James established the James R. Garlick Funeral Home at 1517 11th St. - later 2001 P St. - at the age of 20 and a year later, he became the youngest person ever elected to the city's board of education. James' grandfather, Aaron, came across the plains with Mormon leader Brigham Young and was among the many people who arrived in Sacramento in 1849.

Another notable gravesite is the common grave of the approximated 4,685 who were exhumed and transferred in the mid-1950s from the New Helvetia Cemetery at Alhambra Boulevard and J streets, where Sutter Middle School is now located.

One of a kind

In addition to compiling information about renowned individuals buried in East Lawn Memorial Park, Pettite, whose extensive resume includes serving as secretary/trustee of the Fair Oaks Cemetery District and working as a coroner in Idaho, also com-

pleted a study on county cemeteries.

With his knowledge about many cemeteries, Pettite has concluded that East Lawn Memorial Park is the best developed and the most attractive of any cemetery in Sacramento County.

"It's the premier cemetery," Pettite said. "Having worked and made a study of all the county cemetery districts years ago for the board of supervisors, I came across East Lawn in my studies and I found it to be the most beautiful cemetery I had ever seen."

In addition to East Lawn Memorial Park, other sites make up the East Lawn family of cemeteries and mortuaries. They are: East Lawn Elk Grove at 9189 East Stockton Blvd. in Elk Grove, Albert Brown Mortuary at 3476 Piedmont Ave. in Oakland and in Sacramento, Sierra Hills Memorial Park and East Lawn Mortuary at 5757 Greenback Lane, Sierra Hills Pet Cemetery at 6700 Verner Ave. and Andrews and Greulich Mortuary at 3939 Fruitridge Road.

East Lawn President Alan Fisher, a Sacramento native and a 1974 graduate of Hiram Johnson High School, said that East Lawn works diligently to adhere to its mission to effectively join with families in creating meaningful celebrations and tributes to honor their loved ones.

"We really do strive to be the premier cemetery, funeral, cremation services provider in the communities we serve, so we do our best to make sure that the experience is meaningful," Fisher said.

Place past lives on

In reviewing the rich history of East Lawn Memorial Park, Dr. Bob LaPerriere, who is a member of the East Lawn Advisory Committee, a board member of the Old City Cemetery Committee and co-chair of the Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission, described the cemetery as an extremely valuable regional asset.

"(East Lawn Memorial Park) is indeed our greatest repository of the past and should be thought of as a memorial, not only to the people lying at rest there, but to the history of the entire region," LaPerriere said.

For additional information about East Lawn Memorial Park and other East Lawn operated cemeteries and mortuaries, call (916) 732-2000 or visit the Web site www.eastlawn.com.



East Lawn Memorial Park's historic mausoleum was constructed in 1926. *Pocket News Photo/Lance Armstrong*

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OCTOBER

Free pole walking clinics

Organized by Cure Arthritis Now, free pole walking clinics will be hosted Wednesdays (at 6 p.m.), Oct. 7 and 21, and Fridays, Oct. 9 and 23, at the Sierra 2 Community Center, 2791 24th St. Interested people need to call the group directly for times and specific locations, to pre-register and reserve the

walking poles for the clinics. For more information, call 208-8700.

Managing health conditions class

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Straw into Gold

The Hart Senior Center will once again host the "Straw Into Gold" poetry writing workshop for Seniors. Led by Julia Connor, Sacramento Poet Laureate 2005-2009, this workshop offers an outstanding opportunity for seniors to hone their writing skills in a creative, spontaneous environment. The workshop will be held Thursdays from 3:00

to 5:00, September 3 through November 12. Registration is required, but there is no cost for this workshop. Please contact the Hart Senior Center at (916) 808-5462 for more information.

Past Tents exhibit opens

"Past Tents: The Way We Camped" is a humorous excursion through one of our favorite pastimes, exploring camping in California from post-Gold Rush times to the mid-1900s. Through three exhibit themes - Round the Campground, Hitting the Trail, and Open Roads, Open Fires - visitors enjoy contemporary prints of rare historic photographs and objects from the collections of the California Historical Society and the Bancroft Library. The Sacramento History Museum invites all to enjoy this exhibition beginning Friday, Sept. 4, closing January 3, 2010. The Sacramento History Museum, operated under the auspices of the Historic Old Sacramento Foundation, is located at 101 "I" Street, Old Sacramento, CA. The museum is open every day (excluding major holidays) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone: (916) 808-7059.

OCTOBER 3

Skate Park Concert

Held at La Sierra Community Center Skate Park, 5325 Engle Rd. in Carmichael, join us for our second Skate Park Concert of the year. Local bands will perform while participants are grinding the rails and skating the half pipe! Admission is \$5. Music starts at 4 p.m. For more information, call 483-7826.

Great Duck Race

On Saturday, October 3, thousands of rubber ducks will descend on the mighty Sacramento River for the Great Sacramento Duck Race - an exciting bridge to bridge race benefiting Special Olympics Northern California. Using frontloading tractors, the racing rubber birdies will be ceremoniously dumped off the I Street Bridge and will race to the Tower Bridge in hopes of winning one of many fabulous grand prizes like airline tickets, an LCD television, gas and gro-

cery gift cards, vacation getaways and more! For just five bucks you can adopt a duck and be eligible to win. The Great Sacramento Duck Race will be held promptly at 3 p.m. and winners announced at 4 p.m. The Great Sacramento Duck Race is sponsored by Quick Quack Car Wash and PRIDE Industries, with additional support powered by Sacramento Regional Transit, Sudden Values.com, KLOVE and Air1 Radio. For more information or to adopt your lucky duck, visit us online at www.sacramento-duckrace.com.

Armenian Food Festival

This is the 63rd year for our event and it is one of the longest running festivals in Sacramento. This event features traditional Armenian foods (shish kebab, pilaf, etc.), Armenian music and dancing. The festival hours are from 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Food is served from 11:30 AM to 8:00 PM and take out is available. The festival is held in the hall of the Greek Orthodox Church, 614 Alhambra Blvd, Sacramento (across from McKinley Park). Entry is free until 5 p.m. After 5 p.m. an entrance fee of \$3.00 will be charged. Music and folk dancing begins at 5 p.m. This event is hosted by the St. James Armenian Church. For more information, call (916) 443-3602 or visit www.stjamesarmchsac.org.

Fall Fairy Festival

Held Oct. 3 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse, 7997 California Ave, Fair Oaks, the Fall Fairy Festival is a time to put on your best pair of wings and come celebrate with the fairies. Use a wishing stone, make a fairy wand, learn to fairy ribbon dance, see fairy houses, have your picture taken as a fairy and lots of other fun activities. For more information, please visit www.FairyGardenParty.com.

Huge Parking Lot Sale

There will be a huge parking lot sale at Elks Lodge No. 6, 6446 Riverside Blvd., Saturday, Oct. 3 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vendors welcome. For more information, call 714-1301.

Military Widows

The Society of Military Widows, Sacramento Chapter No. 5, will meet on October 3, at the Lions Gate at McClellan Park at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and program on "Tri Care Benefits" presented by Mary Brown from Travis A.F.B. Call 916-635-6724 for information.

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Jensen Garden Plant Sale

The Friends of the Jensen Botanical Garden will hold a plant sale, Saturday, October 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Jensen Garden located at 8520 Fair Oaks Blvd. in Carmichael. Bulbs and succulents among other plants. All proceeds will benefit the restoration of the Jensen Botanical Garden. Coffee will be provided for the shoppers.

OCTOBER 3-4

Benefit plant sale

Sunburst Projects and the Benefit Plant Sales announce: There will be plant sales held in the covered parking area behind the Gifted Gardener at 18th & J Streets, midtown Sacramento from 9am to 3 pm both Saturday and Sunday. A wide selection of perennials plus some winter growing CA natives will be available.

St. Robert's Fall Festival

Held Saturday, Oct. 3 from noon to 7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 4 from noon to 6 p.m., the St. Robert Parish and School is holding their Fall Festival. Located at 2243 Irvin Way, the event will offer great food, children's games, bingo, entertainment and even televised football games on Sunday all to benefit St. Robert Parish and School.

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OCTOBER 4

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Classical concert

Performing at 4 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2076 Sutterville Rd., is a new Sacramento ensemble - Trio brio, with Elizabeth Coronata, Flute; James Een, Viola; and Beverly Wesner-Hoehn, Harp. Music of Debussy, Ibert, Bloch, Persichetti. A reception will follow, and childcare is available. Entry is a \$10 suggested donation. Parking is available across the street at City College. Further information www.allsaintssacramento.org or 916-455-0643.

OCTOBER 6

Recorder music group

The Sacramento Recorder Society meets Oct. 6 from 7-9:15 p.m. at 890 57th St. under the baton of Annette Bauer, Early Music scholar. She will bring beautiful and interesting music to conduct. Please bring your instrument, a pencil and a music stand. Newcomers are welcome. For more information: www.sacrecorders.org or 391-7520.

OCTOBER 7

Raising Financially Responsible Kids

Cynthia L. Kinney with New York Life will be presenting a free workshop entitled "Raising Financially Responsible Children." The workshop will be held from 9-11 a.m. at Chinese Grace Church at 6656 Park Riviera Way. To RSVP please contact Janice Joe at 422-7523.

San Juan Unified College Night

Families should mark their calendars for our once a year district wide College Night held in conjunction with the Northern California College consortium, which will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 7 from 6-8 p.m. at Rio Americano High School. More than 120 colleges, technical schools, military and advising programs are represented as students can learn more about their options after high school graduation. Students and their families can also attend FREE seminars on Navigating the College Course, Writing their Personal Statements for their College applications, Community College and Financial Aid. Check back on your school website for more information this fall.

Understanding dementia

The Meadows Senior Living and A Place For Mom have teamed up to offer the following informational series to the Elk Grove and Sacramento Community: Bringing Light into the Darkness of Dementia Laura Wayman, The Dementia Whisperers, October 7, 6-7 p.m., at The Meadows Senior Living, 9325 East Stockton Blvd, Elk Grove.

OCTOBER 8

Computer Club meeting

The Mission Oaks Computer Club will meet on Oct. 8, from 1p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Drive, Carmichael, CA. The club will be celebrating its 21st anniversary with member presentations and a finger-food potluck. First-time visitors are welcome to bring a finger-food item as well. A problem-solving clinic, led by Adam Lacey of Applications, Etc, will follow the meeting. For additional information, call (916) 366-1687 or visit our Web site at www.missionoakscomputerclub.org.

Swine Flu lecture

The Influenza A H1N1 (Swine Flu) Pandemic will be the topic of discussion at the Shriners Hospital Lecture Series on Thursday, October 8. The one-hour lecture begins at 12 noon at Shriners Hospitals for Children Northern California, 2425 Stockton Boulevard. The community is invited to attend the lecture, which is approved for one

hour of continuing medical education credit. Reservations are not required and the lecture is free. For further information about the lecture call (916) 453-2041.

National Health Federation

The Sacramento Chapter of the National Health Federation meets at the SMUD Auditorium (the old SMUD Building) on 6201 S Street, Sacramento. A free lecture, "Health for the Holographic Cell" presented by Victoria Morse, Ph.D. Call 916-635-6724 for information.

OCTOBER 9

Barbershop quartet

A barbershop quartet will perform at the Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd., Friday, Oct. 9. Seatings at 11:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m. Main entrée is roast pork loin with berry chutney and mixed green salad or Asian chicken salad with dried cranberries. Dessert is an apple pecan cake with caramel sauce. Tickets are \$20 per person and reservations are offered on a first-come-first-served basis. For reservations, call 916-452-2809.

Organic Gardening

On October 9, 2009, the Organic Gardening Club of Sacramento County will meet at the Carmichael Park Administration Building, Room 1, 5750 Grant Avenue, Carmichael, at 10 a.m. The program "Old City Cemetery: Perennials and Roses" will be presented by Barbara Oliva, Curator of Heritage Roses. Call 916-635-6724 for information.

OCTOBER 10

Family Magic Show

Held Saturday, October 10, 2009, doors open 6:30 p.m.; show starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5/person at the door, 5 years old & under free. Register online & get \$1.00 discount per person, www.morpd.com. This gathering of top named magicians in Northern California comes to share their MAGIC with you. All ages will enjoy their mysteries with "OOOhs" and "AAAs" and thoughts of "How did they do that?" Held at Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Drive, Carmichael. For more information, call 972-0336.

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Fe Galley art reception

Fe Gallery presents "Celebration". You are cordially invited to attend our second year anniversary party with art, food and fun! Our guest artist for October is Fused Glass Artist Cindy Rubado. She will be joining Mental Artist Stephen Lyman and Fused Glass Artist Sheena Wolfe for our Second Saturday celebration and opening from 6am to 9pm. There will be a metal demonstration by Stephen Lyman beginning at 7:30pm. Fe Gallery is located at 1100 65th Street (north of Folsom Blvd., corner of 65th and Elvas), East Sacramento. For more information about the artists and the gallery visit www.FeGallery.com or call, (916) 456-4455. Daytime gallery hours are currently from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday 10am to noon. The current show will run throughout October.

Learn about H1N1 flu

The Ethel Hart Center will host Sacramento County Public Health Officer Glennah Trochet, M.D., on Saturday, October 10 at 10:30am. Dr. Trochet will discuss H1N1 Influenza and how members of the community can prepare and protect themselves from this new virus. This free meeting will be held at the Ethel Hart Center located at 915 - 27th Street in Sacramento. Please sign up by phoning 808-5462. Free.

Children's Sunshine Celebration

Greenhaven Lutheran Church is hosting a Children's Sunshine Celebration Saturday, Oct. 10. A carnival - which includes four bounce houses, a juggler, a raffle, a petting zoo and pony rides - runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a puppeteer will perform from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The event is free to the public and will be held at the church, 475 Florin Rd. For more information, call (916) 428-8449 or visit www.sonshinecelebration.com.

Polio eradication fundraiser

Held by the Pocket/Greenhaven Rotary Club, a Polio Worldwide Eradication Fundraiser will be Oct. 10 at Round Table Pizza. It will run from noon until 9:00 p.m. and 20 percent of purchases (excluding drinks and items purchased with coupons) will go toward Rotary's Project, "Polio Plus" to eradicate polio worldwide.



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OCTOBER 17

Food festival

Chinese Community Church will hold their 26th annual Fall Fellowship and Food Festival Oct. 17, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The event will be located at the church 5600 Gilgunn Way. There will be Chinese food, entertainment and games. Admission is free. For more information, call 916-392-7875 or 916-424-8900.

Aging in place week

In honor of National Aging in Place Week, Eskaton Village Roseville is hosting this entertaining and educational event highlighting programs and services that can help older adults live independently. This event will feature: tours of Eskaton's award-winning national demonstration home; seminars by professional speakers; cooking and health demonstrations; resident art show; and flu shots. Eskaton Village is located at 1040 Cabrils Ln., in Roseville. For more information, call (916) 771-5151.

OCTOBER 20

Sleep and senior health

On Tuesday, October 20, there will be the Sleep and Senior Health, presented by Steven Brass, M.D., M.P.H. Co-Medical Director of the Sleep Division of UC Davis Health System. Dr. Brass will explain reasons which we sleep, and age-related sleep changes and problems. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Ethel Hart Center, 915 27th Street. (916) 808-5462. Please sign up in advance.

OCTOBER 21

Free real estate seminar

Do you qualify for a loan modification? Visit the seminar held at 6 p.m. and hosted by Cook Realty at 4305 Freeport Blvd. RSVP to Deb Luna or Anthony Carrill at 833-6266. For more information, visit www.cookrealty.net.

NARFE meeting

The Town & Country Chapter No. 1674 of NARFE (National Active & Retired Federal Employees) will hold its monthly meeting on Oct 21, at Sam's Hof Brau, 2500 Watt Ave. (cross street El Camino Avenue). Lunch at 11 a.m. Speaker at noon with business meeting to following. For further information, contact Clarence Howard, 972-9348.

OCTOBER 23

Harvest Festival

There will be a Harvest Festival at Matsuyama Elementary School, 7680 Windbridge Dr., from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is free. Guests will enjoy foods, crafts, and entertainment.

OCTOBER 24

Baby fashion show

Baby Oh Baby! Fashion Show, Lyon's Village, 2580 Fair Oaks Blvd., (corner of Fair Oaks and Fulton). 2-4 p.m. call Cottage Affair 480-0971 for info. Arts and Craft vendors will be present with their crafts.

OCTOBER 27

Embroiderer's meeting

Embroiderer's Guild of America is 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, SMUD Building, 6301 S St. Pat Godlove will teach our second annual petite Christmas Stocking. Visitors welcome. (916)961-3558

OCTOBER 30

Bizarre bazaar

Westminster Presbyterian Women are sponsoring a Bizarre Bazaar at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1300 N Street, Sacramento CA 95814 on Friday, October 30 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Telephone (916) 442-8939. We will be selling handmade craft items for your Christmas gifting and Decorating; plants for your home and yard; good small furniture, household items and childrens toys; food items including pickles, jams jellies and baked goods; and gently used clothing, shoes and purses. Items to be sold at various prices. All ages are welcome. Proceeds support Westminster Presbyterian Women's Mission Projects. This is going to be a fun event. For your snacking pleasure a slice of pie, cake or cookies and coffee are available for purchase in the patio.

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NOVEMBER 4

Home safety and fall prevention

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NOVEMBER 12

"Hats and Wraps for the Holidays"

Held Nov. 12 at Casa Restaurant (2760 Sutterville Rd.), the "Hats and Wraps for

the Holidays" is a special event supporting the Sacramento Children's Home. The event includes presents Carol Culp and Drin Welker and Casa's Mary Weaver, who have created hats and wraps that are both attractive and functional. Seatings are at 11:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Main entries are a Chicken in Filo with mixed green salad or a chipotle caesar salad with chicken. Dessert is chocolate torte with raspberry coulis. For more information, call 452-2809.

NOVEMBER 13

Jewelry Sale

The Senior Center at Sierra 2 and Cure Arthritis Now host the first annual jewelry sale on Friday, November 13, from 11 to 2 pm at Sierra 2 (2791 24th St). We are asking for community support to make this event a success. Help by donating costume or other jewelry to the sale. (We accept broken bits and beads for sale to crafters.) Apply to participate as a jewelry vendor at this event. Questions? Call the Senior Center at 455 6339 or Cure Arthritis Now at 208 8700. Looking forward to seeing you at the event!

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DECEMBER 6

McKinley Song Circle

McKinley Children's Song Circle with the Shadechasers will perform for free Dec. 6 at 3-4:30 p.m. in the Clunie Clubhouse, 601 Alhambra Blvd. Families welcome. Brand new songbooks for singers available. For more information and directions, call 531-4110. The Shadechasers is a local folk group of 10 members playing Woody Guthrie, Pete Seeger, Malvina Reynolds, Raffi, and other singable family music suitable for children's activities. We sing and dance, and encourage families to sing together whenever they can. Now we have a new songbook with about 60 songs to share with our group.

ONGOING

American Legion Dance

The American Legion Dance, Held on the first Friday of each month from 7 - 10 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Hall at Royer Park in Roseville, featuring ballroom, Latin, swing, and night club dances with DJ Bob Wayman. The public is invited and singles are welcome. There is a great wood dance floor, good parking, no-host bar, soft drinks, and snacks. Come dance and make new friends. The hall is located at 110 Park Drive. Cost \$8. Info: (916) 783-7267. Proceeds go to support the troops and our veterans.

MONDAYS

Tai Chi at Hart Center

Chinese exercise combines specific movements and relaxation, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Hart Senior Center, 915 27th St. Instructor, Mamie Woo. Information at 808-5462.



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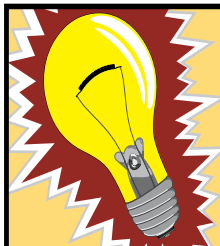
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A local photojournalist and world traveler is displaying his documentaries and journey through Indonesia, China, Tibet, Nepal, and India in his latest exhibition.

Titled "Growth," Sacramento resident Andri Tambunan's latest photographic exhibition will be displayed at the Land Park-adjacent Beatnik Studios at 2421 17th St. from Sept. 25-Oct. 28.

Tambunan is a local freelance photojournalist and photo documentarian and in this exhibition he will be displaying selected images from the 2008 Olympics in China and the terrorist attack in Mumbai

and images from several documentaries on social issues such as HIV/AIDS in Papua, China's modernization, Buddhist pilgrimage in Tibet, Nepal's Annapurna Sanctuary, and sulfur workers in Indonesia. Tambunan has also contributed to The Land Park News as a contract photographer, shooting the cover spread for the April 23 edition.

Two reception dates are scheduled for this event: the opening reception, Oct. 2, 5 p.m.-12 a.m., and the closing reception, Oct. 24 5 p.m.-12 a.m. There will be live music performances on these dates starting at 9 p.m.

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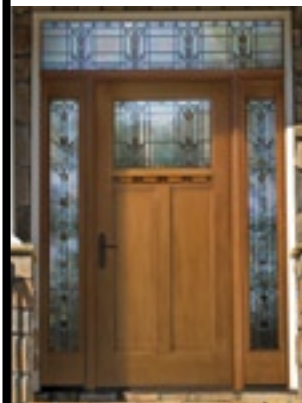
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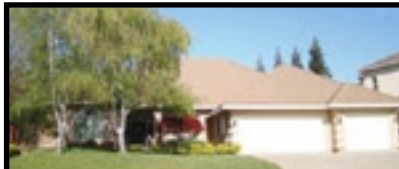
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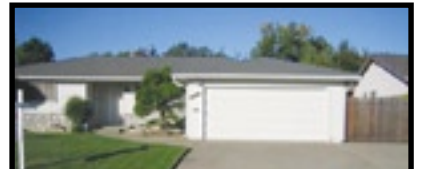
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