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FROM YOUR COUNCILMAN, RICK JENNINGS



Delta Shores' 2017 expected completion nearing day by day

For a while now, we have watched construction crews busy at work on the land just east of I-5 and south of Consumnes River Boulevard. Last December, I had the pleasure of announcing the opening of Consumnes River Boulevard, and gave you a glimpse of things to come. And, now we are so close to the completion of the next phase of the Delta Shores development, that I can almost taste the movie theater popcorn already.

But, what is this new development coming to our region? Delta Shores is more than just a shopping center. It is 800 acres of master-planned, mixed-use development, featuring both commercial and residential units. Plans for the development include 1.3 million square feet of commercial space and more than 4,900 residential units. The commercial development is projected to be completed in the latter half of 2017 and the residential development is expected to follow.

At the heart of the commercial development is 1.3 million square feet of premier shopping located just off I-5 at the Consumnes River. Anchored by a Wal-Mart Superstore, Regal Cinemas and RC Willey the shopping center is expected to provide an exquisite shopping and dining experience. As the region's largest new development, Delta Shores will offer a great blend of popular retailers such as Petsmart, Party City, Dick's Sporting Goods, Hobby Lobby, Ross, Ulta Cosmetics and more. The center will also include a variety of casual dining options such as El Pollo Loco, In-In-Out, Sonic, Panda Express, Panera, Chipotle, Chick-fil-A, The Habit and Jamba Juice.

And, the list of confirmed shops and services continues to grow each day.

With the addition of the new and expansive shopping center, many have questioned how the new center will impact the existing retail choices in our district. The feedback and research that I have received from local developers and planning experts, has assured me that the new addition of Delta Shores will benefit our existing shopping centers just as much as the new center. Many of our existing businesses have a very loyal customer base that is not likely to be lulled away by commercial chains. Rather, it is more likely that the new businesses will attract new customers to the area – both to Delta Shores and to the surrounding retail venues.

Another concern that I often hear related to the Delta Shores is how this development will impact traffic. I understand and very much appreciate this concern. As the Sacramento region continues to grow in population and popularity, how this growth will impact our commutes is always a great concern for everyone.

Fortunately, we have already begun many concurrent projects in effort to ease the potential strain on traffic caused by this expected population growth. These projects include the completion of the Consumnes River Boulevard off-ramp and its connection to Highway 99, the extension of RT's Blue Line and the completion of the Sacramento River Parkway, each of which would provide alternate routes and expanded transportation options. Further, the staggered phases of development for Delta

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Chinese Community Church Annual Fall Food Festival: Oct. 15

Saturday, Oct. 15, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., the Chinese Community Church will host its 33rd annual fall food festival. This fun event attracts a wonderful diversity of people to enjoy a variety of Chinese/Asian food, live music and entertainment, and activities for kids. (Pokemon Go "lure modules" will be released during the day, our church is a Poke stop and gym!)

Menu items will include the popular barbecue chicken, Hawaiian ribs, curry chicken, combo plates, lumpia, pot stickers, curry chicken, fried rice, chow mein, Chinese chicken salad, and more. Members and volunteers of the Chinese Community Church prepare the food by hand and always use fresh ingredients to preserve traditional family recipes.

The Chinese Community Church donates a portion of festival proceeds to support and enrich the local community each year. The church partners with various non-profit organizations (such as the New Hope Community Church weekly food bank ministry, Union Gospel Mission, and others) in the greater Sacramento area to help people in need.

Join us for a great time of food and entertainment!

Please find details below or visit www.ccc-sac.net for more information.

Location: Chinese Community Church, 5600 Gilgunn Way, Sacramento, CA 95822
Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., free admission

South Land Park Neighborhood Association News

Barrio Cafe Now Open

Area residents are already flocking to the recently opened Barrio Cafe. The coffee shop and bakery is owned by area residents Sergio Barrios and Melissa Allen, who chose the South Hills Center to open a spin-off of their popular downtown shop, Fluid Espresso. The owners urge patience as they tinker with the store hours and staffing, and apply the finishing touches. They eventually plan on offering small plates, beer and wine, outdoor seating, and hope to feature local musicians and artists. The Barrio Cafe is located next door to Royal Nail salon at 1188 35th Avenue (corner of South Land Park Drive and 35th Avenue). Hours are currently Monday-Saturday, 7 am to 4 pm. Hours will be adjusted/expanded in due time. They are still working on an overhead sign. Please support Barrio Cafe and other local businesses in South Land Park.

garding proposals for two parcels on Freepoint Boulevard. Respondents generally supported both the new Raley's and the new gas station across from the Executive Airport, with some caveats. One, Raley's submitted revised plans for a new flagship store and retail shops at the former site of the Capital Nursery on Freepoint Blvd. SLPNA sent comments to the City reflecting our desire that such plans be consistent with the Freepoint Blvd. Master Plan.

Secondly, further south, the blighted, vacant gas station parcel at Blair Ave and Freepoint Blvd is slated for construction of an AM/PM fuel station and car wash. SLPNA submitted initial comments supporting the plan, but voiced concerns over the hours for alcohol sales, traffic flow, and noise impacts due to vacuums and car wash equipment. SLPNA will continue monitoring the Freepoint Blvd. plans and keep residents informed.

Center near the vacant Vic's IGA market, SLPNA and Councilmember Schenirer's office reached out to Sacramento Police to address the problem. Sac PD has responded with increased patrols, and the owner of Vic's building has increased private security patrols. So far, this combined approach appears to be working.

Water Quality in the Neighborhood

Some residents of South Land Park have reported noticeable changes in the taste and quality of the city drinking water, and water officials have issued the following comments in light of the complaints:

The water in the south area of the city has been described as "mossy" or "earthy" in flavor recently. The water is safe to drink. We want to let our customers know that the taste can be affected by lower water levels in the Sacramento and American rivers, and higher river water temperatures. This causes naturally occurring bacteria to increase and affect the taste of the water but poses no health risk. This occurs at this time of the year when it is hot and dry. As temperatures begin to cool, the taste and odor will eventual-

ly diminish. To alleviate the unpleasant taste, water system representatives recommend adding lemon to the water or storing drinking water in the refrigerator.

Delta Shores

There have been several inquiries recently on Nextdoor.com concerning the construction activity along Interstate-5 at Consumnes River Boulevard. This is the Delta Shores project, an 800-acre mixed use development that will include the following elements:

- 5,200 residential units (12,000 residents, estimated)
- 1.3 million square feet of commercial development (Walmart, Dick's Sporting Goods, Hobby Lobby, Petsmart, Ross Dress for Less, Bath and Body Works, Sleep Train, and RC Willey).
- 250,000 square foot hotel.
- 14 screen movie theater
- Schools, recreational facilities, and parks.

Outside Watering Rules Still In Force

City residents continue to be limited to two days per week for watering outside landscapes (before 10 a.m. or after 7 p.m.). The restrictions are in place until Nov. 6. The permissible watering days are based on the address number of the household.

Addresses ending with an ODD number may water on Tuesday and/or Saturday.

Addresses ending with an EVEN number may water on Wednesday and/or Sunday.

No watering or car washing is permitted on Monday, Thursday, and Friday.

Source: SLPNA

Energy Workshops

SMUD is offering the following public workshops on ways to save energy:

Proposed Developments on Freepoint Boulevard

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A Pocket area David and Goliath story: Small school up against the big ones, and still winning big

By MONICA STARK
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Middle school girls volleyball – not a sport that usually makes the news – and yet, in our neighborhood the Didion Dragons just last weekend beat Sutter Middle School’s “second team.”

“It’s like the equivalent of David beating Goliath when David was 3,” says Coach Jeff Dominguez. “(Sutter has about) 1,000 kids; we have (about) 100. They had us outnumbered from the beginning, but we crushed these guys.”

Definitely defying the odds, the Dragons have achieved success through incredibly hard work. Many of the players participate in Dominguez’s competitive club, meaning they play nine months out of the year with summers off. Boasting a talented team right now, they’re ripping up the league because of that experience and dedication.

Thus far, they’re 7 and 0 in the Sacramento City Middle School Volleyball League. With six games to go, three of which against the big schools – Einstein, Sutter and Cal middle schools – Dominguez admits they don’t know what’s going to happen, but he’s proud of how far they’ve come.

Out of about 58 girls in the middle school at Didion, there are 20 girls on the team. In other words, 30 percent of the girls play volleyball. That’s, in part, because Dominguez doesn’t make any cuts. “I keep them all. That’s my philosophy,” he said. He believes middle school girls should be able to play if they want to. “We teach the girls we have how to play volleyball,” he said noting how “inherently unfair” it is to compete against teams that can be more selective of their players, many of whom even stand taller height-wise than some of the shorter Dragons under Dominguez’s wing. “Above water we look smooth; if we look down we are flailing wildly.”

Dominguez has taken his fighting spirit to the league where he has asked to divide the league having schools with like-enrollment numbers compete against each other. But, he says, those efforts have fallen on deaf ears, at least for now. “Every other sport that is competed in the middle school level is divided,” he said. “When I pointed this out, they said we already made the schedule.”

Anyway, the team is almost an anomaly, boasting a set of eighth graders with a “ton of experience” playing for Dominguez’s club team, Domin-



The 2016 Didion Dragons Girls Volleyball Team: (Back Row, left to right) Diana Polanco Velez, Isabella Sierra, Presley “Elvis” Sperber, Katie White, Isabella Valdez, Erin Ohara, Dominique Brooks, Milan Johnson. (Middle Row, left to right) Aymee Xiong, Taylor Van Loben Sels, Lacy Koehler, Elissar Houjeji, Sydney Henry. (Front, left to right) Caren Tritt, Isabella Acevedo, Grace Dorr, Maddis “Mad Dog” Gregson, Brenda Jimenez. Not pictured: Alexa Castelo, Taylor Wentzel.

ion (which is a mash-up of the names Dominguez and Didion).

Readers might recall Dominguez’s award back in March from the Mexican American Hall of Fame Sports Association for his high school football days and for playing college volleyball at Sac State where he went to Nationals his junior year and finished fourth.

Since his playing days, Dominguez has coached high level volleyball players, including players that made it to the national competition level. After all of those experiences, he never thought he’d coach girls youth volleyball. But he did it for his daughter, Gabby. “She was in fifth grade; she was a stud,” he recalls. Currently at Kennedy, she doesn’t play volleyball for the school, but still plays for her dad’s club team.

It wasn’t through preference coaching the younger girls but now he’s realized it’s become a calling, something that fuels his soul. “I found a way to get through to them and learned how to explain complex aspects of the sport. I just fell in love with coaching this level – that is taking a girl that has never played volleyball before, bringing them up and teaching them how to compete. I take the sixth graders; I do all the drills. Some of them are not even four feet tall. I have a couple of little hustlers that can walk under the net.”

Key players today include Erin O’hara, outside hitter Alexa Caste-

lo, and Caren Tritt. Tritt came to the team when she was in the sixth grade and Dominguez recalls that particular day. “The father (Tim Tritt) said his daughter doesn’t know how to play but asked if she could just come to the practices. This year, she’s one of our captains. She’s an eighth grader and her dad has become an assistant coach. He films the games. We study the video ... That’s a useful tool. We show the girls where they should be standing, show flaws in their technique and correct them just by watching their videotape. Every year, I appoint captains to our team. This year I had so many girls that were so deserving as serving as captains that I couldn’t narrow it to 2, 3, 4, or 5... I have six captains. That’s a full team ... That’s the quality of this team. It’s kind of an anomaly.”

A volleyball player at West Campus, Mia Williamson has played for Dominion, and this year, her sophomore year, made varsity at her high school. Mia came to play for Dominguez when she was a “gangly sixth grade girl who never played volleyball before.” When she found out she made varsity, Mia came to the Didion Gym in tears and said, “thank you, coach” in front of “all those tiny sixth graders,” bringing “that dream in reach to them. I’m glad we had that moment.” there are sixth graders here.

You can catch the Dragons when they take on Cal Middle School on Monday at 3 p.m. inside the new gym.

Go Dragons!

Place	Team	Wins	Losses	Score
1	Cal	7	0	2, einstein 0
1	Didion	7	0	2, miners 0
3	Sutter	6	0	2, bears 0
4	Miners	5	2	0, didion 2
4	Wood	5	2	2, mv 0
6	Bacon	4	2	2, ses 0
7	Paris	4	3	2, brannan 0
8	Einstein	3	4	0, cal 2
9	Da Vinci	2	5	0, wood 2
10	Bears	1	6	0, sutter 2
10	Brannan	1	6	0, paris 2
10	Canyon	1	6	2, still 0
10	Ses	1	6	0, bacon 2
10	Still	1	6	0, canyon 2

OPINION

Proposition 56: Why it is Important to All Californians

By JAN DALSKA

Anyone who watches television has seen the commercials about Proposition 56. You might have even received some information in the mail. But, before you vote yes or no, you really need to know the facts about this proposition, and why it is important to all of us who live and vote in California.

The tobacco industry preys on our young people. Every year they spend \$9 billion to market their deadly, addictive products. And, every year, almost 17,000 California kids get hooked on tobacco. One-third of them will eventually die from tobacco-related diseases. Increasing the price of tobacco products is the single most effective way to reduce tobacco use.

The U.S. Surgeon General says that is particularly true among youth. In every other state that has significantly raised cigarette taxes, smoking rates have decreased. Pediatricians, nurses, the California State PTA, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, California School Boards Association, California Faculty Association, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tom Torlakson, and more than 100 other groups all recommend that we vote YES on 56.

Voters in California can stand up to Tobacco companies and save lives before they create another generation of addicts. The facts are that higher tobacco taxes have been proven to reduce youth smoking. In spite of these facts, California’s tobacco tax is among the lowest in the nation.

Proposition 56 pays for healthcare, cancer treatment, smoking prevention, and research to cure cancer and tobacco-related diseases. California taxpayers spend \$3.5 billion each year on tobacco-related diseases. Proposition 56 will tax tobacco products, and will help to cover these tobacco-related costs.

In Sacramento, a new “Yes on 56” ad attacks the companies that are spending millions of dollars on deceptive ads. A new ad asks the voters who they should trust: the tobacco companies who prey on kids, while spending billions to market their deadly products and tens of millions lying to Californians about the tobacco tax initiative, or, the education groups, cancer groups and pediatricians who support it.

A recent ad campaign appeared on our statewide television recently. It hit back at the numerous tobacco-financed ads which have been unanimously discredited by newspapers, fact checkers, education leaders and more. A Mercury News editorial implores voters not to fall for “the tobacco industry’s despicable campaign.”

“They prey on our children, spending billions, addicting seventeen thousand California kids each year, eventually killing one-third of them. Now tobacco companies are spending millions to defeat Prop 56. Because in every state that’s raised tobacco taxes, smoking rates go down. So who are you going to trust? Pediatricians, cancer groups, and the California PTA who all support Prop 56 or the tobacco companies trying to kill it?”

Smoking causes more deaths each year than guns, car accidents, HIV, alcohol, and illegal drugs combined. Over the last decade, the State of California has spent tens of billions of dollars on tobacco-related healthcare costs. Meanwhile, tobacco companies have spent nearly \$200 million on campaign contributions to keep California’s tobacco tax among the lowest in the nation.

The American Cancer Society, American Lung Association in California, California State PTA, some of the state’s largest school boards, pediatricians, business groups, law enforcement, children’s advocacy groups, and hundreds more support Proposition 56.

Everyone knows that tobacco kills. The number of deaths are staggering. In California alone, some 40,000 adults die each year as a result of smoking or second-hand smoke. The amount spent annually on healthcare directly related to tobacco

exceeds \$13 billion. Nationally, the death toll is 480,000. Voters should not believe the cynical, disingenuous opponents of this measure. Proposition 56 will save lives.

Americans, for better or worse, have decided that this nasty, lethal drug should remain legal. So government’s approach is to discourage smoking where it can. It restricts advertising, requires warnings on cigarette packs, bars sales to minors — and, most effectively, it levies “sin taxes” designed to make smoking prohibitively expensive.

In New York, for instance, the state excise tax on a single pack of cigarettes is a whopping \$4.35; in Connecticut it is \$3.90; in Hawaii it’s \$3.20. But in California, thanks mostly to the tobacco lobby, the excise tax is just 87 cents per pack — one of the lowest state cigarette taxes in the nation, lower than all the states that border California. In the Legislature, 35 attempts to increase the tax have failed to win passage over 34 years; the last increase was approved at the ballot 18 years ago.

That’s unfortunate because tobacco taxes are really a powerful tool. Not only do they deliver a revenue source for government but they also provide a significant advantage in the process. On average, peer-reviewed studies have shown, a 10% increase in the total price of cigarettes will yield a 3% to 4% reduction in adult consumption — and a 7% reduction among young smokers.

It’s time for a meaningful increase in California’s tobacco excise tax. A yes vote on this year’s Proposition 56 could help make that happen. Proposition 56 would add \$2 per pack to the existing state levy (which in turn would be added to the federal excise tax, to sales taxes and to the retail cost). It would make California’s tax the 9th-highest in the country, up from 37th. An equivalent tax also would be applied to other tobacco products and to e-cigarettes.

While bringing down smoking rates, the tax also would bring in between \$1 billion and \$1.4 billion in its first full year, 2017-18. After

that time, the revenue would decline while the number of smokers shrinks. Some of the money would go to administration and enforcement of the tax itself. A substantial amount would go to tobacco prevention and control programs.

A portion would go towards cancer research, as well as heart and lung disease and other tobacco-related diseases. But the bulk of the funds would go to Medi-Cal, the state’s health insurance program for low-income residents. It would be earmarked for the costs of healthcare providers to treat Medi-Cal patients.

That would be great news for Medi-Cal, whose reimbursement rates are currently 49th in the nation — so low that they discourage doctors and hospitals from accepting the low-income patients who are served by it. As a result, many poor people are forced to get their healthcare not in doctors’ offices but in emergency rooms after they become more ill. There, the care may be free for patients, but is far more expensive for taxpayers. Passing Proposition will help to change this situation.

There are arguments against the initiative as well. One complaint is that tobacco taxes are regressive, and will affect the people who are the least able to pay. That could be true, as poor residents generally smoke more than the wealthier ones. The proposed tax will affect people from all incomes. And, hopefully, the additional tax will encourage all smokers to kick the habit.

Another concern is that it’s generally not good policy for voters to impose a tax on a specific, targeted group of citizens and then dedicate that money to a particular use that doesn’t directly benefit those citizens. Either the money should go in the state’s general fund for general purposes, or it should be spent directly on behalf of the group paying the tax. In this case, some of the revenue would be dedicated to anti-smoking programs, but the bulk would go to healthcare for the poor.

Should the popular e-cigarettes be included in the

tax? The science on e-cigarettes is developing and it is not clear how dangerous they are. Some believe they serve as a gateway to cigarette smoking for children. But, others argue that e-cigarettes are, in fact, a good tool to help smokers quit. There is more to learn. Under the proposition, if the U.S. Food and Drug Administration deems e-cigarettes in the future to be a legitimate “cessation device,” they automatically would be exempted from the tax at that point.

Finally, there’s some concern that Medi-Cal is committing itself to higher provider rates in perpetuity. They will be paid for by revenues that are expected to decline over the years. While this could be a problem, this is

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2016 CKM Sports Hall of Fame Dinner

By JIM COOMBS

The fifth annual CKM Sports Hall of Fame dinner was held October 2, at the Asian Sports Foundation Hall off Laguna Blvd.

This year 25 athletes and 4 coaches/athletes were inducted. The 2016 class will emphasize players from 1995 to 1999. Over 180 athletes and coaches have been inducted in the previous four years.

The 2016 class inducted many outstanding baseball and softball athletes from the late 90s, that had outstanding baseball and softball teams. As always the CKM Hall of Fame inducted previous outstanding athletes from the first 60 years that were missed but were nominated by their peers.

This year's class highlighted the 1998 section championship baseball team coached by inductee Brian Loforte. Loforte coached from 1996 to 99 and was the Metro League coach all four years and the Sacramento Bee coach of the year in 1996 and 98.

Loforte had over 15 players who went on to play college or professional baseball upon graduation. His favorite memory was of the 1998 section champion team that beat NY Yankee pitcher CC Sabathia to win the championship. He mentions CKM Hall of Famers Charlie Becker, Mike Nishio, Harvey Tahara, and Bob Sandoval as mentors. He has been the baseball coach and AD at Laguna the last 11 years.

The second honored team was the 1998 women's softball team coached by 2014 hall of famer Shannon Padovan. The lady Lions were undefeated in Metro League play and went to the section finals. All players from both teams were honored.

Outstanding players include Nick Johnson, probably McClatchy's

greatest baseball players ever, was an outstanding player for the New York Yankees, and ranked 62 in major league history for on base percentage. His dad Bobby is also a CKM graduate.

Jason Howard, a three-time Metro League player and first team all-city went 22-2 as a pitcher, hit .357 and drove in 100 runs, was another top player in the 90s. He went on to play at USF.

Ricky Barrett was an outstanding winning pitcher for the 1998 section champions. He was twice all conference and was an All-American pitcher at the University of San Diego. His professional career was cut short by seven arm surgeries.

Melvin Cook was a two-sports star in both football and baseball. He was All-Metro and an Optimist football star and second team All-Metro and Optimist baseball star. He would go on to play at San Jose State.

Matt Bonovich was on the championship team, All-City and All-Pac 10 at USC. He was drafted by the Montreal Expos.

Howie Correa, from the McClatchy Correa family (Ray, Steve and Christie) would steal home to win the semi-final game in 1998 and go on to be very successful at the college level.

Steven Holm was a second team All-American at Oral Roberts University and would play 12 years professionally and in the majors with the SF Giants and Montreal Expos.

Del Bandy, an outstanding baseball coach from 1956 to 61, who won numerous championships and has at least eight members from his teams in the CKM Sports Hall of Fame, was inducted. Bandy went on to coach at Sacramento City and Cosumnes River College where he was also the athletic director.

Hall of Famer Shannon Padovan who coached softball in the mid

to late 90s won numerous Metro League titles has three players, Aubrey Love Henry, Marissa Sequeira, and Mariko Barajas Cates being inducted.

Love/Henry was a four-year starting catcher (95-99) and led the league in batting averages while leading the Lions to the playoffs for four straight years. She went on to play at Morgan State where she was All-Conference for three years and still holds school records. Her jersey #00 was retired by the university.

Sequeira was a four-year starter at CKM, MVP in 1995, and the Outstanding Player in 1996. She played at Sac City and Menlo College and works for the state during the day and helps run the Pine Cove with her family in the evenings.

Barajas/Cates was All-City in 1998 and 99 and the CKM Woody Adams Female Athlete of the Year in 99. She went on to play at IU-PUI and SDSU and earned her degree in theater arts. She studied Shakespeare at Oxford University and at the Moscow Art Theater School, and now runs a not for profit theater company in New York.

Another outstanding female athlete was Anne Gunnison who won distance championships from 1995-97 in both cross-country and track. She was a four-time Metro League cross country champion and would go on to be an outstanding PAC 10 runner at Stanford. Gunnison is the only three time section champion other than Mark Shelley.

Cori Tahara will join her father Harvey and sister Kristin in the CKM Sports Hall of Fame. She was an outstanding basketball player and four-year starter.

Michael de Necochea, probably the only McClatchy athlete ever to play on football, basketball, and baseball TOC teams in one year,

was inducted. De Necochea was student body president his senior year, and was a baseball MVP his senior year and a solid contributor in both football and basketball.

He has been involved with McClatchy baseball as a coach since 1999 and the varsity coach since 2005. His extremely positive attitude has been a big asset to McClatchy sports the last 16 years.

Outstanding male athlete of the year Chris Latino, who was an Optimist All-Star in both football and baseball, was inducted. Latino was MVP twice in both football and baseball and was an All-League linebacker at Sac City in football. Latino would go on to coach at McClatchy with his wife Christine.

Two old-timers John Virga and Gary Moon are examples of outstanding athletes nominated by their peers. Virga (1957), a leading attorney in the Sacramento area for 40 years, was an outstanding baseball player who was never caught stealing. He was a three-time starter in center field and played on the KFBK All-star championship team in 1957.

Moon (1960), known around Sacramento as "Boomer Moon," was a rugged 1959 All-City half-back for hall of famer George Bican, running over line backers and defensive backs. His family owned Moon's Drive In across the street from McClatchy and many Moons have been McClatchy graduates.

Other inductees included football star Zebadee Brye, baseball star Keith Davila, and golfer Rick Gregson. Others included were Camillo Gutierrez, baseball, A J Jelks, football, Kenny Lewis, football and baseball, Mike Strahler, baseball, Nick Wallace, the third Wallace family member, for soccer, basketball, and baseball, and Chauncey Wilson first basketball coach and AD.

Prop 56:

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not a good enough reason to reject the increase. The fact is, provider rates need to come up. Medi-Cal officials should plan carefully and be prudent in using the diminishing tobacco tax revenue. In any case, the revenue is expected to decline only about 3% a year. Hundreds of millions of dollars a year will still be available for many decades to come.

The battle to pass Proposition 56 will be difficult because of the power of the tobacco lobby. They have already made deceptive claims such as: "Prop 56 cheats schools out of at least \$600 million per year." The truth is that Proposition 56 wouldn't take a penny from schools. It would merely exempt the new tobacco tax revenue from the requirements of Proposition 98, the 1988 measure which guarantees public schools a large share of the state's core revenues. Proposition 56 will save lives.

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Matsuyama students team up to help animals at Front Street Animal Shelter

Ten students from Sacramento's Matsuyama Elementary School are teaming up to help animals in need.

The girls and boys are members of the Matsuyama Elementary School Robotics Team, which participates in the First Lego League, a worldwide organization that challenges future leaders and innovators to apply science, technology, engineering, and math concepts (STEM) to solve real-world problems. The topic for the 2016 challenge is Animal Allies. Young people are encouraged to learn more about animal and human interactions, identify a problem, and create and implement a solution.

After researching the challenge and speaking with several local veterinarians and animal shelter staff members, the Matsuyama Robotics Team will focus on the issue of the number of animals in our community shelters. The team's goal is to help decrease this number while fostering an overall sense of compassion and responsibility among community members toward animals.

During the month of October, the team will conduct a pet food and toy drive to benefit animals at the Front Street Animal Shelter. By collecting food to be distributed by Front Street's pet food pantry, the team can help keep animals in their homes and out of shelters. They'll also share information with fellow students and community members about the importance of microchipping, spaying and neutering, and fostering to help reduce the number of animals in shelters. And for those animals who are at the shelter, toys will help relieve stress and keep them happier while they await adoption.

"What's impressed me about this team is there is no problem they feel they can't solve," said Mike Mullen, Matsuyama Robotics Team's long-time coach. "In fact, it was hard to focus on only one problem—they want to save all the animals."

The team is comprised of Matsuyama Elementary School 5th and 6th graders Alexandra Dinh, Sora



Ezzell, Christopher Fetros, Sean Fetros, Ella Fowler, Brooklyn Horst, Togo Kurosaki, Connor Lee, Kiana Nakaoka, and Jonah Reynolds.

The team will collect pet food and toys during a month-long school-wide drive. Team members will also share information about Front Street and pet overpopulation while

collecting donations at their booth during the annual Matsuyama Harvest Festival on October 21.

Through Oct. 27, community members interested in supporting the drive may drop off donations during business hours at the Front Street Animal Shelter (2127 Front St.), Incredible Pets (392 Florin Road) and the Sacramento

Cat Hospital (4115 Manzanita Ave., Carmichael).

The team plans to deliver all pet food and toy donations to Front Street after school adjourns on Friday, Oct. 28.

For more information about how you can donate, please contact Irene Fujishima Nakaoka, the team's assistant coach, at 541-2908.



Faces and Places:

Michaelmas festival at Camellia Waldorf portrayed inner struggle between dark and light

Photos by STEPHEN CROWLEY

As the seasons change from long days of sunshine to darker, cooler days of fall and winter, the Camellia Waldorf School, located at 7450 Pocket Road, celebrated this transition on Friday, Sept. 30 on the new campus. The festival -- called Michaelmas -- also celebrates courage that marks the passage into the darker half of the year. The event includes processions, banners, class presentations, costumes, and enormous puppets in a pageant that artistically portrays the human inner struggle between dark and light. After the pageant, the community enjoyed a picnic lunch, beautiful cakes baked by class parents, and games. Michaelmas is a faculty-led event. Parents provide support by baking cakes, organizing the cake procession, cutting and serving cake, cleaning up, and helping the faculty with games and in other areas as needed.





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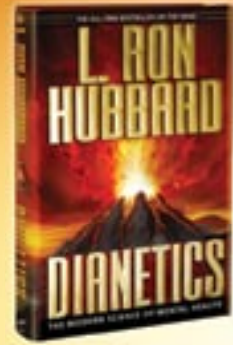


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Thousands flock to Golden 1 Center for pre-grand opening events

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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As a preview for its grand opening, the Golden 1 Center on Saturday, Oct. 1 held two separate open house events – one for the general public and the other for members of the Golden 1 Credit Union.

The completed, multi-purpose, indoor facility is the new home of the Sacramento Kings and will host other sporting and entertainment events, as well as conventions.

Large crowds made their way to the new downtown arena at 5th and L streets to view the facility for the first time.

Entrants to the arena were admitted for free with general admission tickets that were obtained in advance through the Ticketmaster website. Each ticket had one of four time allotments: 11 a.m. to noon, noon to 1 p.m., 1 to 2 p.m. or 2 to 3 p.m.

Because the new arena bears the name Golden 1 Center, Golden 1 Credit Union members were admitted into the arena for the three hours prior to the open house for the general public. Tickets for the free, members-only open house were obtained through the credit union's website.

Golden 1 Credit Union President and CEO Donna Bland commented about that pre-grand opening opportunity to visit the arena.

"We have been watching the construction progress since we signed the naming rights agreement over a year ago," she said. "We are excited the day is finally here when we can offer our members the opportunity to experience the world-class facility before it is officially open."

The majority of the thousands of people who visited the arena on Oct. 1 toured the facility during the general public open house, and many of those guests made their way to the arena using the light rail service of Sacramento Regional Transit, which offered free rides on that day.

Entertainment at the public open house included appearances by the Sacramento Kings mascot, Slamson, the Golden 1 mascot, Goldie, the Kings dancers, face painters, caricature artist John Denton of Citrus Heights, and a DJ playing music throughout the day.

Also open to the ticketed guests inside the arena were the food and beverage stands of such eateries as Paragary's wood-fired pizza, Centro street tacos, Mulvaney's B & L and Star Ginger fresh Asian flavors.

East Sacramento native Doug Tarpin, a local real estate agent, who attended his first Kings game during the team's inaugural season in 1985, commented about the new arena.



The Golden 1 Center, shown in this western view, is located on part of the former site of the Downtown Plaza shopping center. Photo by Lance Armstrong

"It's pretty amazing," he said. "It's like something I've always wished they would have done is move it down here (downtown) and it's incredible."

Tarpin added that the arena appears to be smaller than the Natomas area's Sleep Train Arena, which it replaced. However, in terms of its seating capacity, the new arena is similar.

For instance, Sleep Train Arena featured a 17,317-seat capacity for basketball games, while the new arena has a basketball game seating capacity of 17,500.

The seating capacity for the Golden 1 Center can be expanded to 19,000 for concerts.

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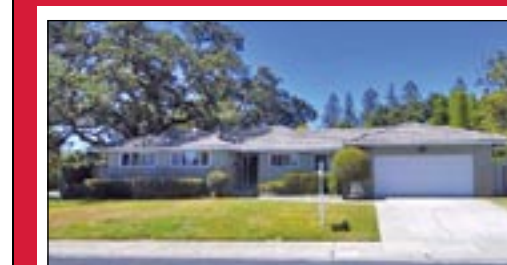
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Tarpin also said that the Golden 1 Center is a lot more modern than its Natomas area predecessor, which opened as ARCO Arena in 1988.

"It's not a time capsule," he said. "It's not out in the pasture."

Citrus Heights resident Glen Marshall said that he appreciates the "openness" of the new arena.

"It has this openness from the concessions, where you can still look down and see the floor," he said. "It's not walled off (inside the arena). There are no doors to get in there. It's wide open."

Another area resident, Marcus Day, spoke about his satisfaction that Sacramento, which was in jeopardy of losing its only major league sports team to another city, maintained the Kings and had a new arena built for the team.

"I'm very impressed with the arena, you know, especially with the thought of them actually leaving town," he said. "Sacramento (came) together to bring this arena that's beautiful and with all the technology that's involved with it. It's just amazing. It's so nice to see that this all came together the way it did."

Day added that with the Kings remaining in Sacra-

mento and a new arena being built, he hopes that the city can draw more professional sports teams.

"With progress like this (arena), it should bring a lot more, especially now with the (Major League) Soccer (possibly) coming and all that. Shoot, if the (Oakland) Raiders move anywhere, they need to move to Sacramento. To hell with Las Vegas."

Rocklin resident Denton Anderson mentioned that although he is impressed with the new arena, in general, he is dissatisfied with its concessions.

"They need to improve the concessions a lot," he said. "I'm not impressed at all. I'd rather have the concessions we had over at the old arena than what I'm seeing here. You know, you've got to walk all over the place to find anything. Over there you had four corner stores that all had the big concessions. It was much easier."

Anderson also expressed his disappointment with the upper level seating.

"I've got tickets for January upstairs and we went up and sat in those seats and man, you are high," he said. "It's way higher than the old (arena). The lowest seats way up at the top are way higher than they were at the other (arena). Well, they had to put in two levels of luxury suites and stuff and that pushed the upper deck way up."

As for his positive reactions to the arena, Anderson recognized the Golden 1 Center as a notable landmark.

"It's beautiful," he said. "It's going to be a centerpiece for the city here. There's no doubt about that. And just looking outside around it is pretty impressive."

On the grounds of the new arena is various artwork, including the world-renowned artist Jeff Koons' \$8 million Piglet-inspired sculpture.

During his visit to the new Golden 1 Center, Fair Oaks resident Ken McCollum offered a different opinion of the seating at the new arena.

"I like the seating," he said. "I looked at the seats and they're very nice and comfortable. And you have a fantastic view of the floor and you're never too far away from it. It really engages you, I think, much more so than the old ARCO Arena, which was like a big, old barn."

"I used to go there sometimes and get cheap tickets up in the nose bleeds and you needed binoculars and also there was definitely nose bleeding up there. This is much, much nicer."

McCollum also commented on the new arena's concessions.

"There are all sorts of different food concessions," he said. "That is really nice. I would like to see a little healthier op-

tions, but people come here to eat pizza and tacos and hamburgers and beer. But some of us like a little healthier options. But maybe in time they'll (add such choices)."

McCollum said that he is hopeful that the acoustics will be superior to those at the old ARCO Arena, which earned the nickname, "Echo Arena," due to its poor acoustics.

"I don't know what the acoustics are going to be like," he said. "But I hated going to concerts in ARCO, because the acoustics were so bad. But this looks like it would be a nice place to listen to music."

But if Kings Owner and Chairman Vivek Ranadivé words hold true, the Golden 1 Center's acoustics should not be an issue.

"World-class entertainment will have a new home in downtown Sacramento," he said. "Amazingly passionate fans, next-generation acoustics, and an iconic setting will ensure that Golden 1 Center will become a must-play for artists and entertainers of every genre."

In regard to Ranadivé, McCollum expressed his appreciation for the Kings owner's contributions to revitalizing downtown Sacramento.

"One thing I like about what Vivek Ranadivé has done here is he really sparked a renaissance in the downtown area," he said. "I've been in the Sacramento area a couple times

over a period of about 50 years and it's been very painful seeing K Street and J Street and the core of the city deteriorate like it has. But now this is really exciting to see this (area) coming back. And I think it's going to work."

"We already see a lot more interest in building downtown, and more importantly, people are starting to move back downtown to live. That's really the key, and I think the Golden 1 Center and the Kings really will spark a renaissance in Sacramento economically. So, I'm very excited about the future of Sacramento, particularly downtown Sacramento."

The Oct. 1 attractions at the Golden 1 Center also included the Sacramento Kings Fan Fest, which presented a limited number of fans with the opportunity to view an open Kings practice and participate in on-court contests with players.

Free tickets to Fan Fest, which began at 6:30 p.m., were quickly secured online by fans who were eager to view the team's first public appearance on the new Golden 1 Center floor.

The legendary English singer-songwriter Paul McCartney officially opened the arena with a concert on Oct. 4. The Kings' first regular season home game will be held at the Golden 1 Center on Oct. 27.

Barrio Cafe now open, offering delicious coffee, pastries to neighbors

By MONICA STARK
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Business has been steady over at the newly-opened Barrio Cafe (1188 35th Ave.) in the South Hills Shopping Center. "It's been incredible," exclaimed co-owner Sergio Barrios. "It took us eight years at the other location (Fluid Espresso, 1230 N St.), to reach what we reached on Saturday in sales: \$1,600. We've gotten very good reviews, four postings on Yelp with four and five stars. What we like most is when people come back. I think part of the reason is people were really waiting a long time."

Most of the customers have heard about the cafe through

word of mouth, social media and this publication. Without any outside advertising or even a big sign up (though they do have a sidewalk sign), neighbors are excited to see positive activity in the shopping center.

During last Monday's visit, cook Melissa Saunders was making empanadas based on the recipe created by Sergio's wife and co-owner, Melissa Allen. Filled with chicken and garlic sausage, roasted apples, kale and Parmesan cheese, Saunders put them in the oven -- the old Brick Oven Pizza oven -- and when they were done, some were taken to Fusion for their



Barrio Cafe staff take a moment out of a busy Monday for this photo. Shown seated: Sergio Barrios with wife Melissa Allen, Santiago Barrios; standing: Melissa Saunders, Devon Gray.

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lunchtime rush. Also, helping with the empanadas was Sergio's father, Santiago Barrios, who you may recall was a baker in Mexico and later had a shop in the old Nut Tree in Vacaville. Afterward, his family ran Greenhaven Bakery in the current Manley's Donuts on Florin Road and Riverside Boulevard. "It opened in the early 1970s when Greenhaven was a brand new development and a previous owner named Richard sold it to the second owner, and that guy in turn sold it to us. We owned it for the most years from 1979 to 1993," Sergio said in an earlier interview.

Essentially, all of the baking for both locations is done inside the old oven and the thing is working great. The landlady had asked Sergio during the remodeling process if he wanted it removed, but he wanted to see if he could get it working again. Sure enough, with a little sweat, it gets hot enough for their purposes.

Barrios, intent on reusing materials, salvaged not only the oven, but an old bread rack from the nearby, closed-up old Vic's grocery. Additionally, his landlady's Arby's location was getting rid of tables – so you can find those also in Barrio Cafe. There's also a piano from a classroom at CLARA, the E. Claire Raley Studios for the Performing Arts in midtown. And, one of the odder items is a row of chairs from the Placer County Courthouse. Barrios wasn't sure if they were for the jurors or what, but there they are on the

western wall of the cafe. And, then remember the old stained glass that covered the front windows of the old pizza place? We'll those will return and be hung from the ceiling.

For those who have been to Barrio Cafe already, they have noticed that half of the restaurant is still being worked on. For the most part the kitchen area and counter have been completely remodeled. The seating area will soon get more seats, tables, etc.

For those who frequent Fluid, what does this mean? According to a statement on their website, "It means more creations for the offering coming your way! We will be extending our menu and adding items that are fast and ready for your busy mornings and lunches, all while never compromising on flavor and deliciousness! Our pastries will of course, continue to always be made fresh daily. Soon we plan to offer sandwiches and fruit smoothies! Barrio will allow us to offer healthier items, made with better quality ingredients, and increase our use of local and organic. Also, make sure to stay tuned for updates on Barrio, our new bakery/coffee bar in South Land Park! Coming soon we will introduce a local beer, wine and small plates menu!"

Currently, open Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Barrios hopes by November to be open on Sundays for brunch and closed Mondays. (But that doesn't give him a day off because he'll be baking on Mondays for the downtown location!)

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Dennis Newhall fulfilled dream to become a KZAP DJ

By LANCE ARMSTRONG
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Editor's Note: This is part five in a series about the history of radio station, KZAP 98.5 FM.

Dennis Newhall was among the DJs who joined Sacramento's legendary radio station, KZAP 98.5 FM, during the 1970s.

And with his hiring by that station in 1972, Newhall fulfilled a personal dream, he explained.

"At Sac State, I got into the radio program, where I got to do a rock 'n' roll show (on the university's student station, KERS), basically pretending I was on KZAP, taking my own records in once or twice a week," he said. "Then in 1972, I got a chance. There was an opening at KZAP and I applied. I got the part-time job on weekends, which lasted for about six weeks, and then I went full time."

Newhall said that he was one of the early listeners of KZAP, which made its debut on Nov. 8, 1968.

"I grew up in West Sacramento and my brother, who was a couple years older than me, and started listening to radio when he was 8," he said. "So, I was 6 years old when 'Hound Dog' was (an Elvis Presley) hit, which means rock 'n' roll had just started."

"And I listened to Top 40 on (Sacramento radio stations) KXOA and KROY religiously, then one day in November (1968) I heard about KZAP, went home because that's where most of the FM radios were at the time, tuned into 98.5 and never went back."

Newhall described KZAP as a much different station than could previously be heard in Sacramento.

"KZAP changed everybody's life when it comes to their entertainment of the day," he said. "When I first heard it, probably no more than a week after it went on the air in November of 1968, I was thinking, 'Wow, this is what we've been wanting.' Instead of hearing 'Sunshine of Your Love' by Cream and then some maybe middle-of-the-road (format) song or 'Up, Up and Away' – which has its place – we wanted to hear the album tracks that fol-

lowed 'Sunshine of Your Love' or (various other songs that were not receiving air play)."

In speaking about rock music of the early 1970s, Newhall said, "I've always said the music of the 1960s ended in about 1972, so it was still going strong in 1970 with that great record that Dave Mason put out, and his old band, Traffic, put out 'John Barleycorn.' Eric Clapton was going strong. Mad Dogs and Englishmen with Joe Cocker, that whole group. Leon Russell, all those people were really, really going strong. But not so much on AM radio. It took the FM stations of the time, that were really starting to get the steam rolling, to play a lot of that music."

Newhall also mentioned the next wave of 1970s rock music that included songs by such bands as Lynyrd Skynyrd, Steely Dan and The Marshall Tucker Band.

Newhall recalled the situation that led to KZAP's first ownership change.

"Lee Gahagan, who was the millionaire that owned KZAP killed himself (in 1972)," he said. "And it threw the whole thing into turmoil, because his closest relative was an aunt who had no desire to deal with a bunch of hippies running a radio station in California."

In April 1973, the Federal Communications Commission approved the sale of KZAP from the Gahagan estate to New Day Broadcasting Co., a Sacramento group that was established six months earlier for the purpose of purchasing the station.

New Day Broadcasting, which was led by its president, Ed Beimfohr, and its secretary-treasurer, Don Platt, bought the station for a reported \$200,100.

Gahagan had purchased the station for about \$50,000.

Newhall added that under the new ownership, KZAP took a more professional approach to its operations, from advertising to relations in the community.

He also recalled that it was under that ownership that KZAP abandoned its free-form format, which gave disc jockeys the freedom to play whatever music they desired to play.



Photo by Lance Armstrong
Dennis Newhall worked as a DJ at Sacramento radio station, KZAP 98.5 FM, from 1972 to 1975.

"We had moved away from free-form," he said. "And there was a format, but it was not a restrictive format. Any DJ these days would think it was completely free. Keep in mind that free-form radio was seldom successful. It succeeds when it's on a college campus, because nobody has to make money. It's too scattered to get enough income to pay the people to do it. The reason it succeeded at first is because it was owned by a millionaire."

It was also during Newhall's time at KZAP when the station moved to a different location.

In recalling that part of KZAP's history, Newhall said, "One of the first things (the new ownership) did when they bought the station was try to move out of the Elks Building," he said. "The other problem was having to deal with going up in the elevator every time you wanted to get up to the station, because they had operators at the time who really didn't care much for a bunch of longhairs coming and going."

Newhall spoke about the station's second location, which was acquired in 1973.

"(The new owners) rented the top floor of a three-story building on 9th and J (streets) in Sacramento, across from Plaza Park, which is now Cesar Chavez (Plaza) park, and at the time we called it 'Wino Park,' for good reason," he said. "It was right next to a porn theater. But it was a much better place (with) nice,

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ders placed before Oct. 1 will be guaranteed for pickup on Oct. 8 between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. This year's menu has Barasushi (\$4.50 each), Bento (\$10 each), Curry Rice (\$5.50 each), Spam Musabi (\$4 each), Teriyaki Beef Sandwich (\$5 each), Teriyaki Chicken (\$7 each) and Udon (\$5 each). Orders can be placed online and paid securely with a credit card or you can download and print out a form and send that form and your check to the church office. It's important to place orders as early as possible to guarantee your order can be filled on Oct. 8. Order now at <http://sacramentonichirenchurch.org/food/index.php>. The Sacramento Nichiren Buddhist Church holds three fund-raisers during the year in order to raise money for operating expenses. This is a vital effort considering the many areas where the money is needed right now. The roofs on the main building and the community center are more than 20 years old. (The roof on the priest's home and the carpark were replaced earlier this year.) The exterior paint has peeled off the eaves of the main roof. If you can't attend the Fall Food Sale but would like to make a donation visit <http://sacramentonichirenchurch.org/donate/index.php>. Details: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 5191 24th St.

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SACRAMENTO HISTORIC CITY CEMETERY AND EAST LAWN MEMORIAL PARK: Join ACC for a field trip to the Sacramento Historic City Cemetery and East Lawn Memorial Park. The city cemetery is the oldest existing cemetery in Sacramento and was designed to resemble a Victorian garden. East Lawn Memorial Park also holds a wealth of California history. Pre-payment of \$10 and Pre-registration required. Field trip will be on Wednesday, Oct. 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call 393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

THURSDAY, OCT. 13

MONTHLY MEETING OF MILITARY RETIREES/SPOUSES: The final meeting for this year will be held at The North Highlands Parks and Recreation District, 6040 Watt Ave., North Highlands, 95660. Time of the meeting is 10:30 a.m. The speaker for this event is Jane Kreidler from Contractors State License Board. She will be talking about SCAMS. Should be very interesting so come on out and enjoy a cup of coffee. Questions can be referred to our volunteer staff at 640-8446, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 15

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Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., free admission

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GOT SQUASH? Food blogger Lisa Lin, of Healthy Nibbles & Bits, will show you what to do with all of the delicious and abundant seasonal squash growing in your garden or available at the farmers market. There will be samples on hand so you can taste test the recipes yourself. All at the Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19

HICAP MEDICARE PART D CLINIC: Counselors will provide an overview of Medicare's prescription drug program, review eligibility requirements and assist with enrollment into Part D plan. 4-5 counselors will be available to assist with enrollment and to explain how to qualify for low income subsidy or "Extra Help". Free of charge. Pre-registration required. Class will be held Wednesday Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call 393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

THURSDAY, OCT. 20

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCES AND SERVICES: Learn about domestic violence including who the victims are, what the signs are, and what the cycle of violence is. Learn resources available for victims of domestic violence. Free of charge. Pre-registration required. Class will be held Thursday, Oct. 20 from 10 to 11 a.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call 393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

SELF-ACUPRESSURE (REFLEXOLOGY) Self-acupressure points are the same body points used in acupuncture, but self-acupressure is a preventive modality used in an attempt to avoid conditions that may require more serious medical interventions. Student will be given a personal acupressure chart designed for them to learn five or six simple meridian points which can be used to stay healthy. A simple technique to stimulate pressure points to unblock the flow of energy and awaken the body will be taught. Pre-registration and pre-payment of \$15 required. Drop-in rate \$20 at the door. Class will be held Thursday October 20, 2016 from 1:30-3:00pm at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

MY SISTER'S HOUSE RUN FOR A SAFE HAVEN: My Sister's House Run for a Safe Haven, 5k run. <http://www.runforasafehaven.com/>, <http://www.my-sisters-house.org/>. To serve Asian and Pacific Islander and other underserved women and children impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking by providing a culturally appropriate and responsive safe haven, job training, and community services. Run starts

at 8 a.m. at William Land Park, Village Green, Freepoint Boulevard and Sutterville Road.

MR. COOPER'S SING-A-LONG CLUB AT ROBBIE WATERS POCKET-GREENHAVEN LIBRARY: A family-friendly performance by local singer/guitarist Mr. Ken Cooper from 11 to 11:30 a.m. This program is made possible by the Pocket-Greenhaven Friends of the Library. 7335 Gloria Drive.

TUESDAY, OCT. 25

MILD PORK RED CHILI PASTE STEW (GO-CHUJANG JJIGAE) COOKING CLASS: Stew and soup are definitely here for the Fall. If you like Korean stews such as Kimchi and Doenjang, you will enjoy Go-chujang Jjigae, a condiment that's spicy, savory, sweet and pungent. It adds a spicy, robust flavor to this simple stew which is made with ordinary ingredients. Pre-registration and pre-payment of \$15 required. Class will be held Tuesday October 25, 2016 from 12:00-1:00pm at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more details, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.org.

THURSDAY, OCT. 27

POCKET/GREENHAVEN PUBLIC SAFETY FORUM: Join Vice Mayor Rick Jennings for a public forum to discuss local crime statistics, crime prevention and traffic safety in the Pocket/Greenhaven community. Representatives from the Sacramento Police Department, the City's Traffic & Engineering Division, the City Manager's Office and the City's Neighborhood Services Division will be on hand for the discussion from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the John F. Kennedy High School Auditorium, 6715 Gloria Drive. Also, get in on the discussion: Take the District 7 Survey on Traffic Safety at <https://goo.gl/aF6Ekg>. We will share the results of the survey at the forum and the information that you provide will be used to help guide our discussions on this topic with law enforcement and community planning. For more information, call 808-7007.

DO YOU HAVE AN UPCOMING OR MONTHLY EVENT? Let us know.
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BEST BETS

SACRAMENTO NICHIREN BUDDHIST CHURCH FALL FOOD SALE: The Sacramento Nichiren Buddhist Church is taking orders now for its annual Fall Food Sale on Saturday, Oct. 8. Unlike the June Bazaar, which sold food on a first-come, first-served basis and ran out of popular items such as the barbecued teriyaki chicken halves, this is a presale event. All orders placed before Oct. 1 will be guaranteed for pickup on Oct. 8 between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. This year's menu has Barasushi (\$4.50 each), Bento (\$10 each), Curry Rice (\$5.50 each), Spam Musabi (\$4 each), Teriyaki Beef Sandwich (\$5 each) and Udon (\$5 each). Orders can be placed online and paid securely with a credit card or you can download and print out a form and send that form and your check to the church office. It's important to place orders as early as possible to guarantee your order can be filled on Oct. 8. Order now at <http://sacramentonichirenchurch.org/food/index.php>. The Sacramento Nichiren Buddhist Church holds three fund-raisers during the year in order to raise money for operating expenses. This is a vital effort considering the many areas where the money is needed right now. The roofs on the main building and the community center are more than 20 years old. (The roof on the priest's home and the carpark were replaced earlier this year.) The exterior paint has peeled off the eaves of the main roof. If you can't attend the Fall Food Sale but would like to make a donation visit <http://sacramentonichirenchurch.org/donate/index.php>. Details: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 5191 24th St.



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POCKET-GREENHAVEN COMMUNITY FORUM PRESENTS A POLITICAL FORUM: With 17 statewide initiatives and three local measures on the ballot, voters in the Pocket-Greenhaven community will have a lot of decisions to make. To help inform these decisions, the Pocket-Greenhaven Community Forum is bringing together a group of experts to the Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct 6 to provide a non-partisan overview of the measures, including key background on who is supporting and opposing them, who is funding them and, most importantly, what they will really do.

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Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children

The MPAA has rated this PG-13

Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation brings Tim Burton's latest oddity to the screen, "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children", based on the novel by Ransom Riggs and adapted by Jane Goldman.

Young Jake, played by Asa Butterfield, who you may have seen in "Hugo" or "Ender's Game", is close to his grandfather, Abe Portman. Abe is played by screen legend Terrence Stamp. One night his grandfather's place has been turned upside down and Jake finds him almost lifeless and without eyes in the yard behind Abe's house. With his last breath he warns Jake of impending dangers from "Peculiar" and their diabolical enemies.

This sets in to motion a curiosity to find out more, but he's hampered by his feckless parents, who, with the encouragement of Jake's therapist agree to let him travel abroad with his father to find where the home used to be. What he finds is a sad devastated ruin of a school bombed during the second world war. There, by chance, the unexpected happens and he falls into a time loop via a small cave. A loop which repeats the same day, over and over, just before the school was bombed. He meets Mrs. Peregrine (Eva Green) She introduces him to the peculiar boarders.

What a strange movie this is. Slightly disturbing, like many movies

from Tim Burton, yet one must appreciate his singular sense of the macabre, a vision that is truly his own.

I described this movie on the screening comment card as elements from the "Wizard of Oz" meet Pink Floyd's "The Wall", The peculiars, mostly children in this case, all have some abnormality that makes them special. One boy has bees swarming inside him, another girl a large mouth under her hairline on the back of her head, yet another is invisible. Jake begins a romance with a girl with lead shoes, worn because without them she would float away like a balloon. They are all in fear of their enemies that could destroy their time loop, headed by the villainous leader and his monsters. The head bad guy, Barron, is played by Samuel L. Jackson.

Jake learns of his peculiarity; he can see the monsters, where the others do not. He then understands the full extent of his bond with his grandfather. Other screen stars adding depth to the richness of the visual design include Judi Dench and wonderful Rupert Everett, a fine actor not seen often enough on the screen. There's one newcomer that I'd like to highlight for you, his name is Finlay MacMillan, this is his first major movie. He plays Enoch, the son of morticians, who can bring the dead to life. I think that you'll agree his scenes are memorable, for there is a tension between he and Jake, who has stolen his floating girl. There is a full spectrum of acting talent and ability in this picture, set against stunning production

design. I found it to linger perhaps too long, with Samuel Jackson just a little over the top, but you could tell he was having fun.

This might be too frightening for actual children, but fun for young adults into the twisted world and imagination of the very original Tim Burton.

Deepwater Horizon

The MPAA has rated this PG-13

Summit Entertainment releases a real life story in larger than life IMAX and regular engagements, "Deepwater Horizon" which brings to the screen the tragedy of the explosion of the oil rig Deepwater Horizon at 9:45 p.m. on April 20, 2010, some 40 miles southeast of the Louisiana coast. The disaster injured 17 and 11 others lost their lives when the semi submersible mobile offshore drilling unit operated by Transocean and leased to British Petroleum encountered a bubble of methane gas which shot up the drill column, bursting through several seals and barriers ultimately causing a blowout which exploded, offering only five seconds of escape for the crew of 126 on board.

The subsequent fire lasted more than a day until the Deepwater Horizon sank on April 22. The oil spill that followed is considered that largest in the history of the petroleum industry, with the well site

still leaking two years later with 4.9 million barrels of discharge, or 210 million U.S. gallons.

Director Peter Berg has collected a cast entirely believable in this setting. Led by Mark Wahlberg as Mike Williams, a father and hard worker who is concerned for the safety of his shipboard family. He tries to keep things together as the lessee executives push the capacity of the rig to its maximum. He's not alone, his long time friend and co-worker Jimmy Harrell, played brilliantly by Kurt Russell, also is ready to make a stand for safety. John Malkovich plays Vidrine, a BP executive trying to get liquid from stone.

As we know from history, things did not get better and the impending danger is swift and sudden. Also in the picture is Dylan O'Brien, playing Caleb Holloway. Perhaps you've seen him before in "The Maze Runner" or "Teen Wolf". There is a very fine performance from Ms. Gina Rodriguez and John Malkovich is particularly choice. Wahlberg is perfectly cast. Kate Hudson plays his wife.

Widescreen and especially IMAX will give the greatest impact of this as a spectacular screen entertainment, based sadly, on such a real life tragedy. Overall, this is a very well made and engaging movie and serves as a reminder to be kind to nature's resources and especially that most precious of resources, each other.

KZAP:

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new interior, new equipment. It was heaven compared to where we were before."

KZAP's ownership changed again in September 1978 with its sale to KLUC Broadcasting, of Las Vegas, for \$1.4 million. The president of that company was Rick Phelan.

About a year later, KZAP's old transmitter on the Elks Building was moved to the north area for improved coverage.

During the same era, KZAP was relocated to new studios off Highway 160.

Under the KLUC Broadcasting ownership, KZAP hired Burchart Abrams to program the station, and through that consulting firm KZAP's ratings rose from 12th to second in the Sacramento market in only three months. And KZAP quickly became the area's number one rock station, surpassing KSF 102.5 FM "Earth Radio."

KZAP underwent yet another ownership change in 1984, when the station was purchased by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co. for \$43.5 million.

By that time in KZAP's history, Newhall had long since

continued his career at other radio stations.

Newhall said that his departure from KZAP came in August 1975.

"I left KZAP so I could go down to San Jose and work (at KSJO) with the people that had started KSF in Woodland," he said.

Newhall's time at KSJO, where he was one of that station's two production directors, lasted until June 1976 as he was laid off.

A search for a new radio job landed Newhall at KSF 102.5 FM three months later.

His career continued in Sacramento with radio stations, KROY from November 1979 to December 1986 and KSAC from December 1986 until about a year later.

Newhall's work at KSAC proved to be his last full-time work in radio.

In addition to his part-time DJ work at Capital Public Radio from 2005 to present, Newhall established the new KZAP, KZHP 93.3 FM, with several other people with radio experience on July 4, 2015 at 9:33 a.m. But because of the station's small reception area, most of its listeners tune in to listen online.

Jennings:

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Shores should allow for traffic to adjust to the growth over time – rather than all at once.

The third concern often raised is how this development can be used to encourage economic growth in our community. For this reason, Mayor Pro Tem Larry Carr and I have been working very closely with the development firm to ensure that there are employment opportunities available for local residents at every phase of the development – including with the new businesses in the shopping center.

Making sure that this addition to our community is beneficial to our community in every aspect is a top priority. I am excited about this new opportunity for growth, economic development and leisure for our community and I am encouraged by all the benefits it will bring. The Delta Shores is a project by Melone Geier Partners, a private real estate investment company. For more information about Delta Shores, visit their website at www.deltashoressacramento.com.

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