

# College-Glen News

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## Community Prepares for 4th of July and National Family Night Out

As the TNT crew delivers the fireworks stand for the Little League, the Neighborhood Association checks out the American Flag set piece for our National Family Night Out fireworks display. The College-Glen Little League will again have their TNT Red Devil fireworks booth at the Glenbrook baseball diamond to raise money to support their activities for area youth.

The CGNA is making plans for the Association's June 29th celebration. This year the festivities have returned to Olivet Court! The bounce house has been replaced with crafts and balloon animals for the youth. The ever-popular pets from College-Greens Pet Center and face painting have been expanded to better accommodate the increasing number of youth attending. The Damento Juggling Club will demonstrate various juggling patterns and offer instruction in balancing skills to those wanting to try their hand at juggling. There will be complementary hot dogs, chips, drink and cake for everyone. If all goes as planned, Station 60 Firefighters, Sacramento City K-9 Unit and the City's Mounted Police will visit us during the evening. Bowdian Court's own D.J. Charlie White will again



provide background music for the event. The evening will close with the traditional TNT fireworks display.

Please join the Association in supporting both our TNT sponsor and area youth by buying your fireworks at the College-Glen Little League's booth at 8500 La Riviera Drive next to the Baseball Fields.

## Code Enforcement and Scavengers



The Association, after receiving numerous complaints related to early morning scavengers going through our blue recycling totes, contacted City Solid Waste. The City responded immediately and offered to send out a code enforcement office for the next three weeks to deal with the issue. The fourth week was not too bad. However, after two weeks with no enforcement the scavengers have returned. CGNA has asked Solid Waste to come up with a means of permanently dealing with this issue.

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## College: Finding the Right Fit

By Ingrid Niles

Through their Guidance Counselors, with the aid of the “NavianceSucceed” curriculum and college planning tool, St. Francis students are guided and encouraged in the process of researching their options to find the right “fit” college or post-secondary path. The 275 graduates of the St. Francis class of 2012 are now enrolled in 105 colleges and universities, effectively de-bunking the myth that there is only one path to success. College selections include some traditional California destinations, with 18 graduates attending Sac State, 13 traveling to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 10 to Santa Clara University and 9 each to UC Davis, University of San Diego and USF. Other popular choices include University of Nevada, Reno, Loyola Marymount University, Gonzaga University, San Francisco State, St. Mary’s College, Cal State Chico, and UCLA. Among the more recognizable schools, SFHS graduates will attend Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Duke, Georgetown, Notre Dame, NYU, Pepperdine, Pacific, Stanford, the US Naval Academy and Yale. Others have found their “fit” in size, culture, and curriculum offerings at a number of the UC campuses, the Franciscan University of Steubenville, Georgia Military College, Grand Canyon University, Louisiana State University,



2012 St. Francis graduates line up for the Commencement Ceremony at Memorial Auditorium on May 23.

Northeastern, Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, The University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Hampton University in Virginia, The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC and many points in between. We wish all of the St. Francis graduates great adventures in learning as they carry their Troubie Spirit to their college campuses and beyond!

## Volunteers Make The

### Difference By Enrique Flores, Principal

This year, over 257 people donated their time, energy and skills to Bancroft Elementary. That’s why we say that volunteers are the shining stars of this school. Without question, Bancroft would not be the same without the volunteers. Not only do they help the teachers, they enrich the overall educational program and environment that is provided for the students.

At their annual Volunteer Tea held in June, staff thanked these dedicated and generous individuals for the hundreds of hours worked to help the school. The appreciation was truly heartfelt. We are fortunate to be located in an area that offers a caring community and neighborhood businesses that support education.

The school would like to extend its gratitude to all those who support the school. Moving forward as partners, we can continue to build on the success of Bancroft and offer children a positive, safe, and welcoming environment in which to learn.

If all goes as planned, we are scheduled to get another portable classroom added to our campus this summer. In addition, the parking lot and playground are supposed to be redone. We are excited and looking forward to next year!

## Station 60 Visits Early Kinder & Pre-School



College-Glen’s Station 60 brought their fire engine to Thomas Jefferson’s Early Kinder and Pre-school students. The students learned the difference between a fire truck and a fire engine. Fire trucks have ladders and get their water supply from fire hydrants. A fire engine carries its own supply of water and a number of different size hoses. The students also learned how to stop, drop and roll in the event of a fire emergency and each student was given an opportunity to try out the fire hose.



## Rosemont Winter Percussion

By Tyler Silvestre, Rosemont High School, Junior

Rosemont High School is home to many groups and teams where participants rely on each another to grow and succeed. Through cooperation and self-interest, students learn the importance of complimenting their talents with those of others.

Beyond the bands and orchestra, there's drumline, which is a key component of Winter Percussion. Starting as an eight piece ensemble a few years ago, the RHS drumline has grown in size, sophistication and popularity.

Schools build a drumline and front ensemble, which includes melody instruments like the marimba, xylophone and vibraphone. When both elements come together as one group, students create a musical experience that is unique and powerful, one that can only be fully experienced in person.

Participants in Winter Percussion learn musicianship and life

skills. Channel Rich, a respected leader in the program said, "Being in Winter Percussion has given me many opportunities to grow, both as a musician and as a person. I learned the importance of self-discipline and in setting an example for others."

Rosemont's Winter Percussion placed first in the Modesto competition, beating many other schools with older programs. Winter Percussion competition concludes in March. Go to [www.rhsmusic.net](http://www.rhsmusic.net) to view videos of our performance.

Support from the community is necessary for the program to exist. If you can help in any way, either with donations of time or money, please contact Mrs. Wilmer at [rosemontmusic@gmail.com](mailto:rosemontmusic@gmail.com). Most importantly, give your student the opportunity to benefit from what music can do to enrich their academic life!

## What is in that Big Yellow Bin?



Students and parents have been asking what it is like inside the Big Yellow Bin in the Bancroft parking lot. We opened it for a few minutes during the recent open house to allow the curious an opportunity to see inside. A few of the students offered to assist with the compacting of the paper goods. The Paper-to-Paper project and aluminum and bottle collection when combined with the lunchroom recycling and composting has resulted in significant financial gain for both the school and District. All of the profits from the Paper-to-Paper drive and Wednesday recycling program go directly to the Bancroft independent school account under the principal's management.

The secondary benefit is the reduction in all over solid waste services. That reduction translates to less solid waste pick-up and less cost to the District. In addition to the environmental benefits and learning experience for the students, the Paper-to-Paper and composting process collectively reduced the volume of campus waste by over 60%. Bancroft has been able to add revenue to its school fund and the District has been able to reduce its overhead cost. The Big Yellow Paper Recycling Bin will remain in the Bancroft parking lot during the summer except for the time when the District resurfaces the parking area.

## Cub Scout Pack 383

By Jason Scholl, Cubmaster, Pack 383



Whoever said "Half the fun is getting there!" had to be a Scout. The only thing more exciting than the thrill of being awarded an honor in Cub Scouts is the unforgettable journey in achieving it. For the Cub Scouts of College Glen, Pack 383 is the place for camaraderie, adventure, and values that will guide them for a lifetime.

This July, the Cub Scouts of Pack 383 will visit BSA's Camp Lassen for their annual summer camp. They get to learn and practice knot tying, fire building, first aid, and other camping skills. In August, we put it to the test by camping out at Calaveras Big Trees with our families. As the year progresses, we will go swimming, hiking, and race Pinewood Derby cars, as well as learn how to be responsible members of our families, our communities, and our natural world.

Being a part of Scouting is fulfilling and rewarding for parents, too. Each parent is a guiding partner for their Scout, helping them understand and achieve the rewards presented by the program. Our Pack is organized, administered, and led by active parents who want to be involved in their child's journey to excellence.

The Cub Scout program is for boys who have completed kindergarten or are 7-10 years old. If you would like to become a part of Pack 383, please call 365-CUBS (2827) or email [Jason Scholl](mailto:jason.scholl@gmail.com).

## CGNA Opposes SCUSD Increase in Soccer User Fees

The Sacramento City Unified School District has proposed an increase in user fees for all organized youth soccer play. The Association has addressed the School Board and submitted a written opposition to the proposed Civic Permit Policy change. The Association's protest letter makes a number of basic recommendations including that the District post contact information for all facility permit users, that all permits include a refundable clean up and damage fee, that the District may issue conditional permit for time not being used by block permits holders at the District's discretion and that other civic and community users be charged user fees only when the use results in an added cost to the District beyond the normal fixed operational cost.



## Early Kinder Program in College Greens - Hubert Bancroft/Thomas Jefferson

College-Glen Parents!!

Do you have a child who will be five years of age between November 1st and December 2nd, this year (2012)? If so, the Early Kinder Program that is being offered at the Hubert Bancroft/Thomas Jefferson School Sites is a terrific early educational opportunity for your child.

This coming fall 2012, kindergarten students who are being registered for the regular kindergarten program in California, must be age five on or before November 1st. This provides the perfect opportunity for our students with November birthdays to attend a no cost early educational program in your community.

Early Kinder provides a full year school readiness program with a developmentally appropriate curriculum that is taught by a fully credentialed teacher. Early Kinder provides a positive start to school and builds upon the skills necessary for the upcoming school years.

Space is limited!! Please contact the Hubert Bancroft School Office at 382-5940 to receive more information regarding the Early Kinder Program in your neighborhood and take advantage of this great opportunity for your child!

## Veterans Awarded High School Diplomas

By Greg Geeting, Area 1 Trustee Sac Co Bd of Education

Each May, the Sacramento County Board of Education conducts Operation Recognition, a ceremony to honor and award high school diplomas to veterans and Japanese American citizens who missed completing high school due to World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War.

A special feature of Operation Recognition is a student speaker. This year, Megan Phelps, a senior at Vista del Lago High School in the Folsom-Cordova Unified School District, paid tribute to veterans by reading her award-winning essay. Phelps expressed everlasting gratitude to "those who have sacrificed their education, time, and desires to keep our country safe and allow all other citizens, like me, to chase their dreams."

Five individuals received diplomas this year:

- Jose Morales Alvarado (U.S. Air Force, Korean War); resides in midtown Sacramento; attended Grant Union High School.
- Andrew "Andy" E. Anderson (U.S. Navy, World War II); resides in Loomis; attended Armijo High School in Fairfield, California.
- Glenn Dominic Carrasca (U.S. Air Force, Vietnam War); resides in South Sacramento; attended Batac Rural High School in the Philippines.
- Richard Lee McDuff, Jr. (U.S. Marine Corps, Vietnam War); resides in Elk Grove; attended Blackford High School in San Jose.
- Michael Dennis Posehn (U.S. Marine Corps, Vietnam War); resides in Citrus Heights; attended Encina and Hiram Johnson high schools.

Begun in 2001, Operation Recognition has thus far awarded 163 diplomas, including six posthumous awards. For more information, please contact Cathy Sapunor at the Sacramento County Office of Education at 228-2416 or <http://www.scoe.net/or/>.

## The Advancement via Individual Determination Program

By Jackie Levy, Area 3 Trustee Sac Co Bd of Education

Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID) is an academic program that assists students from lower income families to attend college. The AVID program was designed for students whose parents have not attended college, helping them with academics and college planning. At the high school level, the program includes a special AVID class in which students who may not be working to their full potential are given encouragement and assistance, including personalized tutoring when needed. The AVID program includes curriculum which is based on rigorous standards, Cornell note-taking, Socratic Seminars and WICR (writing, inquiry, collaboration and reading) strategies. These strategies are those used by successful college students and provide students with the critical thinking skills that they will need in college and beyond.

The Sacramento County Office of Education provides coordinated services for the AVID program including teacher training and the tutoring services for students. AVID teachers attend a Summer Institute and follow up meetings throughout the school year. AVID teachers are specially chosen because they have high expectations for all their students and collaborate well with colleagues in helping these students succeed.

Twenty-nine high schools in Sacramento County offer the AVID program. Results are impressive. While less than half of all high school graduates complete the "A-G" requirements necessary to attend a UC campus, over 90% of AVID students do. It is my hope that the extra funding needed for this worthwhile program will continue.

## Terri Edinburgh Named SCOE 2013 Teacher of the Year

By David W. Gordon, Sac Co Superintendent of Schools

We are proud to announce that Special Education teacher Terri Edinburgh has been selected the 2013 Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) Teacher of the Year. Terri teaches a kindergarten – 4th grade combined special day class for students with moderate to severe disabilities at Prairie West elementary School, within the Elk Grove Unified School District.

Terri believes in her students' potential to be successful and is an outstanding advocate and motivator for both the students and their families. Our students are truly fortunate to have such a caring, compassionate and collaborative teacher supporting them.

Terri said she wanted to be a Special Education teacher after having the opportunity to tutor a first grader with disabilities many years ago. Prior to joining SCOE in 1996, she served six years as a Para-Educator in a Special Day Class in the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District. She earned her M.A. in Special Education in 2011 from National University and her B.S. in Recreation/Rehabilitation from Sacramento State University.

She will be honored, along with teachers representing other Sacramento County school districts, at the annual Teachers of the Year Awards dinner, which will be held on Wednesday,



August 15, 2012.

The Sacramento County Teachers of the Year Program is presented by SCOE in partnership with Maloof Sports and Entertainment, the Sacramento River Cats, U.S. Bank, the Intel Corporation Folsom and the Sacramento Scottish Rite Bodies of Freemasonry.

## SCUSD International Baccalaureate

**Program** By Jeff Cuneo, Area 2 Trustee SCUSD

I am pleased to announce that the Sacramento City Unified School District is moving forward with a plan to create a seamless, K-12 International Baccalaureate (IB) Program in my Trustee area.

This plan is in response to demands by your and other communities to expand high-quality, rigorous educational opportunities for students and their families. The district's goal is to immediately apply for the IB Program's Consideration Phase. Caleb Greenwood would then open as a Primary Years Candidate Program (K-6) and Kit Carson as a Middle Years Candidate Program (7-10) in 2013-14. Kit Carson would expand to include a Diploma Candidate Program (11-12) in 2015-16.

The IB Program was brought to the district by a "design team" at each school. Parents, students, teachers, community members and staff met and researched options in an effort to rethink the future of their respective schools. They recommended this unique program. And I unequivocally support their decision.

The IB program is one of the fastest growing educational programs in the world. Research shows that students who graduate from IB programs are better prepared for college and careers and have the highest GPAs in four-year university freshman classes. The program's mission statement is: "The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through inter-cultural understanding and respect."

The future of the IB Program depends upon the support of our local communities. I will continue to work with my community and district staff over the upcoming year to ensure a successful start.

## Crosswalk Update



The City has posted pedestrian signs and painted street legends on La Riviera Drive to alert drivers of the potential for pedestrians on crossing at Mediterranean Way. According to the City, stripping for a crosswalk is still under consideration as well as a pedestrian crosswalk.



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# School's Out for Summer!

Students participate in a variety of activities to mark the end of the school year. The Jefferson toddlers head for Glenbrook Park for play and snacks. The pre-school classes host an evening graduation followed the next day by a play day at the park. The Early-Kinder students entered their water color painting in the Sacramento County Fair and each got a blue ribbon for their work which was displayed during open house.

At Bancroft the kindergarteners host a fashion show for parents and grandparents where the students share with everyone what they want to be when grow-up followed by a parent supervised play day. The first graders hosted a musical presentation followed the next week by lunch and free play in Oki Park. The second and third grade classes head to Oki Park for a day of organized play and lunch. Everyone participates in Ms. Pam's Campus Fun Day, which includes tug-a-war, basketball, soccer, and a host of agility events. The fourth, fifth and sixth grade classes head out on a variety of field trips including visits to Sutter's Fort and Sly Park. Additional onsite after school activities are also offered.

The primo end of the year event is reserved for the sixth grade class. Students enjoy a day at the College-Greens Swim and Racquet Club for tennis, swimming and snacks to mark the end of their elementary school experience followed by a graduation ceremony the next day.





# SPCA Doggy Dash & Bark at the Park

Thousands of dog supporters treated their best friend to an early morning walk in William Land Park and to help other animals find a best friend and forever home. Due to the growing interest and volume of participants, the annual SPCA Doggie Dash has evolved from a run in the park to a brisk 2k or 5k walk through the park with your best friend and the best friends of many other area residents.

In addition to being a fun day in the park for both the dogs and their humans, the Dash is a major source of funding for the animals sheltered at the Sacramento SPCA. Proceeds from this year's Doggy Dash will help provide care for an estimated 13,000 homeless animals during the coming year.

If you have yet to participate in this Sacramento event, you may want to add this K-9 activity to your calendar for next year. It is a great time and supports a good cause. This year, to the thrill of everyone, Officer Randy Van Dusen and K9 "Bodie" were at the park smiling and visiting with everyone.







## Enjoy the River This Summer

From the Desk of Supervisor Susan Peters

The American River Parkway is an asset worth protecting—and you can demonstrate your support by purchasing a year long unlimited Parks Pass.

The pass is great for bicyclists and nature enthusiasts who frequent the Parkway. The proceeds go towards our regional parks and the pass costs only \$50 per year – paying for itself after ten trips. You can purchase a pass at The American River Parkway Foundation Office in the William B. Pond Recreation Area or online at [arpf.org](http://arpf.org).

And please practice safety when around our area's rivers. Local ordinances require all children under the age of 13 to wear a life jacket. Through a donation by The American River Parkway Foundation, the free life jacket loaner program will continue this summer. If you need a life jacket for a child during a visit to the river, there are several stations along the Parkway where you can borrow one and return it afterwards.

Lastly there will be a complete ban on alcohol consumption and possession both on land and in the water within Parkway between Hazel and Watt avenues on July 4th (an exception exists for Ancil Hoffman Golf Course). This holiday once posed a major problem due to fights, public nudity, profanity and littering fueled by excessive alcohol consumption. The Board of Supervisors restored decorum with the ban in 2006 applicable to Independence Day as well as to both Labor Day and Memorial Day weekends. Now families can again enjoy the river during these holidays.

## Keeping Guns Off Our Streets and Protecting Californians

From the Desk of Assemblymember Roger Dickinson

In November 2011, the federal government launched an investigation into several peace officers of the Sacramento and Roseville police departments and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department for their possible involvement in the purchase or sale of firearms that are illegal for the general public to own. The investigation is currently pending.

There is currently a loophole in the law, which allows law enforcement officers to sell their legally obtained "unsafe handguns" to people who otherwise do not qualify to purchase them through a private party transfer. Unsafe handguns are guns that cannot be lawfully sold to non-law enforcement officers. In order to sell such guns, an officer is required to go through a gun dealer, but the gun dealer is not required to check to see if the weapon is unsafe, only if the person purchasing is eligible to buy legal guns in California.

This year, I authored Assembly Bill 2460 which would close the loophole in law that currently allows the unrestricted practice of selling unsafe handguns by law enforcement officers to the general public. AB 2460 will keep these guns out of the hands of people who do not have a legitimate law enforcement purpose, thereby increasing public safety.

The bill has been approved by the State Assembly and will next be heard in the State Senate.

As always, please call my office if you have any questions, community concerns, or legislative ideas at 324-4676.

## Progress on Folsom Dam Joint Federal Project

From the Desk of Congresswoman Doris O. Matsui

On May 24th, I joined with federal, state and local partners to celebrate a major milestone in the construction of the Folsom Dam Joint Federal Project (JFP). After four years of an immense amount of excavation, 3 ½ million cubic yards of soil and rock has been removed from the site and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has started construction on the new spillway's control structure.

The JFP is a collaborative effort by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, the Corps of Engineers, the California Department of Water Resources and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) to address the dam safety risk and greatly improve Sacramento's level of flood protection. The JFP will improve the ability of Folsom Dam to manage potential flood events by allowing more water to be safely released earlier in a major storm and leaving more storage capacity in the reservoir to hold back the rainfall when it arrives. The project is estimated to cost \$915 million and is designed to give over 200-year level of flood for much of Sacramento, including the College Glen neighborhood.

## Expansion of SMUD's Solano Wind Project Provides More Clean Energy

By Howard Posner, SMUD Ward 3 Director

SMUD recently commissioned an additional 55 wind turbines in its Solano Wind Project outside Rio Vista. The additional 128 megawatts of power produced by the third and largest phase of the wind farm increases the total production up to 230 megawatts. That's enough electricity to power 79,000 homes.

The entire project is located on 5,400 acres of SMUD-owned property in the Collinsville-Montezuma Hills Wind Resource Area in Solano County, one of the best wind resource areas in the state.

Wind is one of the most productive and economical forms of renewable energy. SMUD was the first large California utility to have 20 percent of its power come from renewable sources and is on track to reach 33 percent by 2020. Including the power provided by hydroelectric facilities in the Upper American River Project, nearly half of SMUD's electricity comes from non-carbon sources.

A unique aspect of the third phase of the Solano project is the way 1.8-megawatt machines were mixed with 3-megawatt machines. The smaller machines generate more power at low wind speeds while the larger machines are more effective at high wind speeds. Combining the two models is expected to increase annual power production compared to standard layouts.

The third phase of SMUD's Solano Wind Project was completed on time and came in \$5 million under budget.

Environmental leadership is one of the core values set forth by the SMUD Board of Directors. Adding more wind to its power mix allows SMUD to improve local air quality by reducing its reliance on fossil fuels to generate electricity while maintaining some of the lowest electric rates in the state.

## 2012-2013 Proposed City Budget

From the Desk of Councilmember Kevin McCarty

On April 26, Sacramento City Manager John Shirey released the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposed Budget. The Proposed Budget is balanced and addresses a projected \$18 million shortfall for Fiscal Year 2012-13. The Proposed Budget includes the elimination of approximately 286 Full-Time Equivalent positions and does not include use of the General Fund Economic Uncertainty Reserve.

The ongoing General Fund budget gap is the result of both expenditure increases mostly attributable to contracted employee salary increases and the continued decline in property tax revenue, the city's single largest discretionary revenue source. The total budget proposed for this fiscal year is \$1.06 billion. This includes \$365 million for General Fund operations and capital projects, and \$690.5 million for the operation and capital projects for the City's Enterprise Funds and other fund activities.

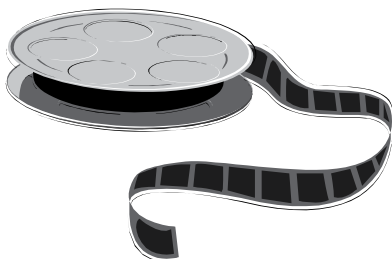
The recommended budget supports 3,791 authorized full time equivalent (FTE) employee positions. The General Fund totals \$365 million and 2,777 authorized FTE. The City's structural gap in FY2013/14 is an estimated \$7.4 million. Over the past six years, the City has eliminated approximately 1,200 positions and addressed an estimated \$219 million ongoing budget gap. I believe that in order to help address the City's budget deficit, we need to look at pension reform and expanding revenues. I'd like to explore asking voters in November if they would be willing to assess themselves to generate more funds for our City's core services. Please call our office with your concerns or comments regarding this issue. You can also visit [www.cityofsacramento.org](http://www.cityofsacramento.org) for regular budget updates and current information. To view the Proposed Budget please visit [www.cityofsacramento.org](http://www.cityofsacramento.org).

## College-Glen Movie Night

Saturday, September 15th

Please join us for our annual movie night in Oki Park. The movie begins at dusk with snacks before and during the movie.

Look for more information as the date gets closer.



## Empowering Families to Prevent Outbreaks

From the Desk of Assemblymember Richard Pan

Thanks to the success of universal vaccination, many vaccine-preventable diseases such as polio are distant memories. Except for smallpox, however, these diseases are not gone, and when vaccine rates decline, some diseases are reemerging in our communities.

With the success of immunizations, few parents have first-hand experience with these diseases. In my own pediatric practice, I witnessed how confused families may become searching the internet about vaccines.

Counseling by a health care professional helps parents make informed decisions about vaccinations. Perceptions about vaccine safety are more informed, and parents can obtain information relevant to their specific concerns from the health care professional. Thus, I have authored AB2109, which would provide accurate immunization information to parents considering exempting their children from vaccinations.

One of the reasons for the success of immunizations is herd immunity, which requires 85-90% of the population to be immunized to stop transmission of the disease in the community. Herd immunity protects people who cannot be immunized including young infants, people with compromised immunity, such as those on chemotherapy for cancer or HIV patients, and people with vaccine allergies. In addition, a small percentage of children who are vaccinated have an insufficient response and remain susceptible to infection when exposed.

I believe that with accurate information, families will make an informed choice for their child and their community. Let us keep vaccine-preventable diseases in the history books and not in today's news.

## California Water Wars are Heating Up

By Stephen Green, Save the American River Assn.

Since 1850, water has been the mother of all California political battles. A new chapter in the state's water wars has been developing. And it promises to be a doozy.

It started out as an effort called the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) with the goals of improving habitat for declining fish species in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, and providing reliable water supplies to areas south of the Delta.

It's become apparent, however, that Governor Jerry Brown is now using the developing plan to repackage the Peripheral Canal plan, which 62.7% of the voters rejected in 1982. In Northern and Central California, every county but Tehama recorded a "No" vote of 90% or more.

The BDCP's "preferred alternative" would be twin 33-foot-in-diameter tunnels on a 37-mile path under The Delta.

Researchers for the Academy of Sciences claim the BDCP is based on flawed science.

State Senator Lois Wolk, D-Davis, said "This plan has less to do with providing water needed to conserve the Delta than it does with providing a 50-year plan to divert even more fresh water from the Delta. Proposed funding for this boondoggle included a combination of tens of billions in increased water rates and borrowing."

Expect lawsuits the day the BDCP is finalized. There may also be efforts to put the plan to a statewide vote.

## Real Estate Update

By Linda Wood, Broker-Associate, Dunnigan, Realtors

Summer is here and the real estate market in Sacramento is hot! It is a great time to buy property. We continue to experience historically low interest rates and low housing prices. Buyers are able to buy a home for less than they would pay in rent. Investors are able to purchase income property and realize a positive cash flow. We are experiencing a shortage of inventory and are seeing multiple offers on some homes. I don't know whether we've reached or are near a bottom but it feels like that may be happening. We will only know that for sure when we see it in our rearview mirror! If you or someone you know has been thinking of buying property, I encourage you to call your Realtor and take advantage of today's market.

According to data from Metrolist Services, Inc. there were 40 single-family homes sold in College Glen from 01/01/12 – 05/31/12 at an average sale price of \$135.05 per square foot. The average number of days on market was 65. For the same period in 2011 there were 31 homes sold at an average sale price of \$137.04 per square foot. The average number of days on market was 103.

Homeowners in distress need to be aware that mortgage foreclosure fraud cases are on the increase. If you know someone needing help in this area they can call (888) 995-HOPE or go to <http://www.995hope.org/>. There are HUD-approved housing counseling services offering free advice regarding foreclosure alternatives.

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## Direct Deposit: No Lines...No Waiting... No Hassle!

By Vicki Dupuis, Big Valley Federal Credit Union

There's no need to wait in line on payday. Enjoy the convenience of direct deposit and save yourself some time. Direct deposit is the automatic electronic transfer of payments from your employer or other payer to your checking or savings account. What are the benefits:

It's safe: Your check will never sit unprotected in your mailbox. No more worrying about your check being lost or stolen.

It's reliable: Your deposit arrives at your financial institution on time, without delay, sometimes even earlier than your normal payday.

It's convenient: No more waiting in line or worrying about check holds. Your payment is sent directly to your account and you have immediate access to your money.

Examples of payments that can be deposited are your pay from any employer who offers direct deposit, Social Security, retirement benefits, government payments, and any payment sent electronically through the Automated Clearing House (ACH). Signing up is easy. Your payroll office or other payer will ask you to complete a form to authorize the direct deposit and where to send it. You will need the Routing & Transit number of your financial institution and your account number.

Having your financial institution right in your own neighborhood makes your banking life even easier. Check out your local Credit Union for low-cost, convenient services. Big Valley Federal Credit Union is located in the College-Glen neighborhood at 3111 Wisemann Drive.

## Congratulations, Chelsea Dascher!

By Linda Wood, Broker-Associate, Dunnigan, Realtors



The Sacramento Association of Realtors held their annual Scholarship Awards Meeting on June 5th. This was the 50th year scholarships were given by the Sacramento Association of Realtors. This year we awarded scholarships to 30 outstanding students, totaling \$38,250.00.

I'm excited to announce that Chelsea Dascher was awarded a \$1000.00 scholarship! Chelsea grew up in the neighborhood and attended Bancroft Elementary, Sutter Middle School and graduated from West Campus High School. Chelsea was born in Switzerland and is the daughter of Markus and Jean Dascher. She is currently a sophomore at UC Santa Cruz studying Politics. While attending UC Santa Cruz she has a job as a Peer Advisor, is in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, the Cowell Senate and has been an Orientation Leader for two years. She studies French and German and plans to study abroad in Paris in Fall 2013. When she is at home, she volunteers at the Effie Yeaw Nature Center and interns at the Capitol. In her free time, she enjoys playing sports, hanging out with friends listening to music, watching movies, painting, travel and photography.

Congratulations, Chelsea on being awarded this Scholarship! You are an amazing young lady! You are our future and we are proud of you!

## Security and Business Protection

### Faire and Mixer

**June 21<sup>st</sup> 4 -7pm**

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Several local security and protective products companies will showcase their wares and services at the first Security & Business Protection Faire helping both businesses and homeowners "harden the target," and make this area more difficult for criminal elements. This event is also a Power Inn Alliance summer mixer. Join in business networking, meeting your neighbors, information, food, spirits and good Alliance camaraderie.



# Jazz in the Park

Vivian Lee, vocalist and recording artist, was the featured attraction for the 19th CGNA Jazz in the Park Concert. This annual Father's Day event continues to be popular with local families and other guests. This year while the band rested, Council Member Kevin McCarty addressed the gathering and thanked the neighborhood for supporting him in his re-election as Councilmember for Area 6. In addition, some of Master Franco's students from his Kids Club Martial Arts program provided a demonstration of the latest moves and techniques.

As always, the Association served complementary hot dogs, chips, beverages and dessert as the band played. The adults listened to the music while the kids enjoyed playing in the Oki Park Play Yard.



## The Engine Company

By Captain Chris Andrew, Engine 19 A Shift

Sacramento Fire Department Engine companies provide a variety of services to the residents of Sacramento. College Glen's Engine 60 has two primary roles; emergency medical care and fire suppression.

The traditional role of the engine company is to work to extinguish a variety of fires. SFD fire engines carry five-hundred gallons of water with over 2000 feet of hoses of varying diameter and various hand-tools and medical equipment. The four fighters on the Engine work in unison, each with their own task, in order to complete the specified objective. The engine company's "bread and butter" tactics include advancing hose to the interior of a structure and water application at the source of the fire. Engine companies respond to innumerable hazards and work to resolve whatever the situation is that they encounter.

The modern role of an engine company is that of first responder to medical emergencies in addition to its fire suppression duties. Over the last 30 years, Sacramento has had relatively the same amount of fires but has seen a dramatic increase in emergency medical response. These calls include any medical complaint, not the least of which could be heart attacks, breathing problems, critical trauma patients, CPR, childbirth, vehicle accidents, and seizures.

As the closest fire resource to any local address, the fire engine provides the first equipment and personnel on most emergency medical calls. Engine companies are staffed with paramedics that can give advanced life saving treatments on their arrival. When the ambulance arrives a few minutes later, the patient has been stabilized and packaged to transport to the appropriate hospital.

## The Winners Are In

By Matthew Weaver, Results the 24 Hour Gym

Results the 24 Hour Gym, located at 8345 Folsom Blvd in the College Greens West center, recently sponsored a scholarship program. Nominees were considered on the basis of need, commitment and chosen based on essay submissions. Out of the many applicants, four individuals were chosen for a 10-week group training makeover program. These four selected participants had a wide range of needs from weight loss to general health improvements and due to economic or other considerations were otherwise unable to afford the assistance. The winners will work with the trainers and coaches for ten weeks, three times a week at no cost.

Results the 24 Hour Gym will continue this tradition by offering the scholarship program twice a year. The gym is committed to creating an empowering fitness experience and will sponsor 10 scholarships a year. Results the 24 Hour Gym is also excited to share that it was recently named a finalist in the KCRA Sacramento A List for best Gym and Best Personal Trainers. We are very proud to be the only independent gym in the top three with the support of the neighborhood and community.

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**Thanks again to all. Your work helps keep  
our postal expense manageable.**

## Saying "Goodbye"

It is with sadness that we share with you the passing of Marlene Grass, a long time friend and resident of College-Greens. Marlene was a distributor of our newsletter and volunteered at many of our neighborhood events. She played violin for the Sacramento Symphony, and a string quartet, and taught violin to numerous area youth over the past 53 years. Marlene continued to participate in neighborhood activities and volunteer at community events during her many years of struggle with cancer. We will miss her and send our condolences to her family.

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In spite of the difficult economic times, a significant number of our area business and area leaders have continued to support our Association and the College-Glen neighborhood. Some of our sponsors make in-kind donations and others make financial contributions. To show our appreciation the Association Board hosted breakfast for our sponsors. Jason Deglow arrived early and barbequed the breakfast steaks while other members greeted our guests. The Association encourages everyone to be aware of our sponsors, listed on back page of our newsletter and on our web site, and to support and thank them whenever possible.



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## Association Requests Equal Time on City's Agenda for Solid Waste Proposal

The City's Solid Waste Division of the Department of Utilities is planning to present their new Solid Waste Collection Proposal to the Mayor and City Council at their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 26th. Following the presentation, the Department of Utilities is planning to ask the Council to vote to place on the November 2012 Ballot a measure to repeal Measure A of the City Charter that requires the City to provide loose-in-the-street green waste services. The Association has made a formal request for equal time on the City Council's Agenda at that meeting to present our All-in-One proposal.

The City plan provides weekly-containerized green waste collection every month of the year with one loose-in-the street collection during the months of November, December, and January. Street sweeping is only every other month with no set date for the service, and one neighborhood cleanup collection per household from February through October. Wet garbage would continue with weekly pick-up and recycling would be reduced to every other week.

The Neighborhood All-in-One plan provides for one loose-in-the-street collection each month with containerized green waste collection on the other weeks of the month. Monthly street sweeping would be provided on the same day as the loose-in-the street collection. Two Neighborhood Clean-up coupons for disposal of household goods any time during the year at City approved dump sites with the option to use the two coupons for one curbside collection. Wet garbage would continue with weekly pick-up and recycling would be reduced to every other week.

David Levine, Support Services Manager for the Department of Utilities conducted a comparison of the City's Proposal to the Neighborhood's All-in-One Proposal. By the City's calculation, our plan would cost about \$2.42 per month per household more than the City's proposal.

The All-in-One plan provides regular loose-in-the street service and as such should not require the repeal of Measure A.

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## Sisters Jeanne and Lois Honored at District 6 Appreciation Dinner

Each summer Councilmember McCarty hosts a dinner to acknowledge the work of volunteers who have made a significant contribution to the quality of life in his District. This year the Association nominated Jean Strickland and Lois Dyer for recognition. If you read the Sacramento Bee, you may have seen the article about identical twins Jeanne Strickland and Lois Dye turning 90 years. Most of us were aware that they were sisters, but not that they were identical twins. However, what makes these two special to us is that they are still active community members and volunteers in their neighborhood. Jeanne and Lois not only have a distribution route for the CGNA News, their route is the largest covering 144 residential locations. The Bee reports that they have separate residences a block away from each other and have dinner together every evening. They walk together every morning and go to exercise class together twice a week. The College-Glen Neighborhood Association thanks Jean and Lois for their ongoing help with the distribution of our newsletter and wish them many more happy birthdays.



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