

# Snatch and Grab Robberies, Shootings In College-Glen

Early in the morning on May 11th shots rang out on Denison Court and three people were injured when a party went out of control. Police were summoned, medics responded, and a crime unit continues to investigate. Our Neighborhood Association, as described elsewhere in this edition, has made contact with Sac State administrative leaders to work with the University and take a hard look at student rental homes and parties growing out of control. It appears that the rented home where the latest party and shooting took place was a routine residence for members of the Sac State golf team.

Shootings are, unfortunately, not uncommon in Sacramento. However, they are uncommon in our neighborhood. For many residents, this is a major wake up call. We need to support our Association leadership in helping to do all we can to address this unfortunate incident and to help ensure there are no repeats.

Since the beginning of the year there have been a number of neighborhood robberies and assaults. These can best be described as "snatch and grabs" where victims are accosted on the street and forced to give up a purse, wallet or, in one case, a pizza. In January, two friends were walking home from the College Greens Shopping Center when three males in their late teens approached

them from behind. They attempted to take the victim's pizza and his wallet but were not successful and the suspects ran off.

On March 11, at 6:16 pm, a man at the College Greens light rail station was approached by five suspects, one of whom hit the man in the head. The victim fell to the ground and the suspects took the man's wallet and his cell phone. The suspect that hit the victim was described as a black male adult in his 20's with dreadlocks, a tan jacket and black pants.

More recently, on May 26 at 10:40 pm, a woman walking on La Riviera Drive at Grand Rio Drive was approached by a man in a vehicle who produced a gun and demanded that the woman hand over her purse, which she did. The suspect then drove off. He was described as a Hispanic man, 26-27 years old, chubby face, black beanie and a light colored shirt. He was driving a beige or gold Toyota Highlander or similar vehicle.

The lesson from these "snatch and grab robberies" is for all of us to be very aware of our surroundings. Don't take anything for granted. Enjoy the ambiance of our great neighborhood, good neighbors and conveniences, but know that our neighborhood, just like any other, can attract unsavory individuals.

# Pick-up Ends July 1, 2013



Starting July 1, 2013 the City of Sacramento will no longer be offering year round loose-in-the-street collection for green waste. All households will be provided weekly year round containerized yard waste collection. During leaf season (November, December and January) the City will provide citywide collection of yard waste piles in addition to the regular containerized collection. The Association's effort to get the City to incorporate one loose-in-the-street collection monthly was rejected, as was our suggestion that the City suspend the containerized collection process during the leaf season while they are providing citywide loose-inthe-street service as a means of reducing the total cost of the process. Starting in July, the City will also be reducing your recycling pickup from weekly to every other week. The Association suggests that residents utilize the paper-recycling bin in the Bancroft Elementary School parking lot, located at 2929 Belmar Street off of Wissemann Drive, for their paper goods, plastic bottles and aluminum cans.

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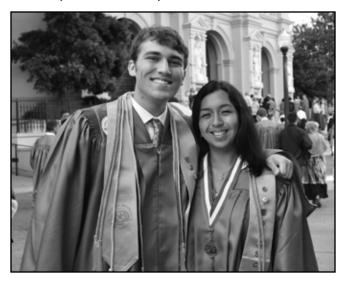
### Christian Brothers High School Class of 2013 Thrives By Kristen McCarthy

In what is reportedly one of the Nation's most challenging college admissions years on record, Christian Brothers High School students enjoyed tremendous success this spring. With acceptances from Boston College, California Institute of Technology, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Stanford University, St. Mary's College, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UCLA and many more, graduates are slated to attend schools in 21 states and three countries.

"I really believe the key to our students' success is our focus on holistic education," says Principal Mary Hesser. "Yes, the academics are challenging, yet, in caring for the whole child, we are mindful of the fact that our young men and women must lead balanced lives that allow them to pursue their interests and be successful. In doing so, we find that our students are typically happy and productive."

Kirk Purdy, CB's director of guidance, is pleased with the results. "We really work hard to match students with schools that suit their academic and personal interests. Finding the right fit is critical. Ideally, our graduates join campus communities where they feel engaged, challenged and empowered. That, to me, is success."

Christian Brothers High School is in its 137th year of Catholic, Lasallian college preparatory education in Sacramento. This year's 1,000 students come from 69 zip codes throughout Sacramento and its surrounding communities. The school currently provides \$1.9 million in need-based tuition assistance to 356 students.



In the fall, Ryan Dempsey (left) will be attending California Institute of Technology while Sylvia Francisco heads across country to Ithaca, New York where she will attend Cornell University.

# CARE Program Helping Every Student Earn A High School Diploma

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

Earning a high school diploma is an important goal for every student. Research shows that one of the main reasons high school students drop out before graduating is that they are behind in credits and feel like they can never get caught up. With this in mind, SCOE has started a new program for selected 8th and 9th graders called CARE.

The Community Action for Responsive Education (CARE) program is a partnership between the County office and local school districts that provides support to students to meet their needs and help them get off to a good start in high school. The students receive their core education from one teacher focusing on English, math, history and study skills. Classes are held on the regular school campus so that students can participate in electives, PE, and other school activities. SCOE provides parent support, enrichment opportunities, mentors, tutors and other services for the CARE students as needed. I visited a CARE classroom and was impressed with the enthusiasm of the teacher and feedback from the students, almost all of whom were surprised and happy to see their grades improve and most important, their confidence in their ability to handle academics grow.

The pilot program in three schools this year was so successful that it will be expanding to seven next year.

### **Social and Emotional Curriculum**

By Jeff Cuneo, Area 2 Trustee SCUSD

As another school year ends, I am reminded of all the hard work of our district's dedicated teachers and staff. I would like to personally thank them for the long hours and personal sacrifices they made for our students.

Two issues remain at the forefront as we transition from the summer to the 2013-14 school year. First, our district will begin to implement a curriculum of social and emotional learning at a select number of schools. I believe that as this work continues, and is put into practice at the school site, we will see better student outcomes. It is vitally important that students also learn the "soft" skills necessary to be resilient, contributing members of society. Social and emotional learning curriculum complements our academic programs, focuses on educating the whole child, and gives students a stronger, more complete foundation for lifelong success.

Second, our district continues to work on building a more rational and effective student discipline system. Classroom disruptions must be kept to a minimum. At the same time, our district's overreliance on punitive responses disadvantages all children. I support and will continue to work with the district in implementing a positive behavior intervention system. This system has been successful at a handful of schools, decreasing classroom disruptions and increasing student participation and time in the classroom. I would like to see it implemented in more schools in the upcoming school year.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you. I can be reached at jeff4schoolboard@gmail.com.

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### **Local Schools Honored for Civic Education**

By David W. Gordon, Sac Co Superintendent of Schools

History tells us on May 19, 1821, John Adams said to Thomas Jefferson: "A free government is a complicated piece of machinery, the nice and exact adjustment of whose springs, wheels, and weights, is not yet well comprehended by the artists of the age, and still less by the people."

Basically, Adams was telling Jefferson the people of that time did not fully understand their rights and responsibilities as citizens. Unfortunately, much of that is still true today. Our test scores show that we are not doing enough as a State or an education community to teach students about how our government and Constitution are key to the freedoms we enjoy as citizens.

However, as an educator it is rewarding to highlight those area schools that are working hard to make sure students have a strong foundation in civic education.

Recently, George Washington Carver School of Arts & Sciences, in Sacramento City Unified; Natomas Pacific Pathways Prep, in Natomas; and Valley High School, in Elk Grove Unified, received recognition from the State's Civic Learning Award Program. The program celebrates successful efforts to engage California public high school students in civic learning. These schools should serve as models for other schools to follow.

Students need to know and appreciate how they can make their voices heard in our democracy, and how to fully understand and defend the Constitution, as John Adams promoted. We owe it to our young people and to the country they will inherit from us.

### **Supporting the Community**

By Scott Smith, SCTA President

In addition to a full teaching day and the many activities teachers participate after school, the teachers also support the community in several other ways. The Sacramento City Teachers Association has provided scholarships year after year for our students and has provided clothing for the Sacramento PTA Clothes Closet.

This year SCTA awarded six scholarships to high school students in the district. A scholarship went to a student from nearly every high school and one to a student attending Adult Ed for a total of \$15,000.

We raise the money for the scholarships by having fundraisers during the school year. One of our biggest is a Crab Feed in February, and the second largest form of donations is individual teachers who have money taken out of their checks each month to support this worthy endeavor.

For at least the last 35 years SCTA has provided scholarships for students in our district. We've awarded roughly \$175,000 worth in just the last ten years.

Every November we also have something called the Socks & Undies drive. We collect socks and undies for the PTA clothes closet because it's something they've stated they have a great need for. This year one of your local schools, Hubert Bancroft, was a big contributor in helping us meet the goal of 5,000 pieces donated! Thanks, Bancroft!

We're glad to be a part of this vibrant community and hope our contributions help in a small way to make it a better place.

### 100 College Scholarships Awarded

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

In late May, the Sacramento Cal-SOAP Consortium (California Student Opportunity and Access Program), which operates under the auspices of the Sacramento County Office of Education, hosted the Sacramento Scholars Award Ceremony at the California Museum in downtown Sacramento. Some 100 Sacramento area high school students were awarded college scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000. The grant-funded scholarships are designed to help young people in financial need prepare for, enter, and complete college.

Cal-SOAP awarded 50 new scholarships (between \$1,500-\$3,000) to individuals selected from a group of almost 800 high school students who had received intensive advising services beginning in their junior year.

An additional 52 students received \$1,000-\$2,000 "Cash for College" Scholarships recognizing their participation in a "Cash for College" workshop earlier in the year. In total, Sacramento Cal-SOAP awarded more than \$180,000 in renewal scholarships to continuing college students plus more than \$200,000 in new scholarships.

Sacramento Cal-SOAP directly serves students in 30 middle schools and high schools throughout Sacramento, Colusa, Sutter, and Yuba counties. The project provides tutoring services to students and delivers a college and financial aid advising program to approximately 7,200 students in 13 high schools.

The scholarship awards are made possible, in part, by a generous grant from the College Access Foundation of California. The foundation is the largest grant-making organization of its kind in the state. Working through community-based organizations that are helping students prepare for, enter, and complete institutions of higher education, the foundation's efforts enable thousands of financially needy young people realize the dream of attending college and earning a college degree.

# Habitat Memorial Project for Phillips Family

Donations are currently being accepted for the Bancroft Elementary School Kristi and Gary Phillips Memorial Habitat Project. The natural habitat area serves as an outdoor classroom for the study of wildlife and indigenous plants. The Phillips were the driving force behind the habitat and gazebo area. The goal of the memorial project is to purchase and install three additional benches in the gazebo area. Donations may be mailed to Hubert Bancroft Elementary School at 2929 Belmar

Street Sacramento, CA 95826. Please include your full name, acknowledging that the contribution is for the Kristi and Gary Phillips Memorial. For more information contact the Bancroft office at 382-5940.



## **Community Encouraged to Recycle at Bancroft**



The Bancroft education funds have been short and our natural resources are being over taxed. The Bancroft students, parents, teachers, and staff have been addressing both concerns. The school launched a paper-for-paper program in 2011. Bancroft school has reduced the

school's waste collection by nearly 50% and has been able to supplement their supply budget at the same time. The recycling program has been good for the school and now with the City reducing their recycling pickup from weekly to every other week, the Big Yellow Bin could be of significant help to the community management of its recyclables. The Association is again encouraging community members to bring their paper goods, aluminum cans and plastic bottles to the Bancroft bin. In addition to reducing the volume of your recycling, the absence of aluminum cans and plastic bottles in your recycling bin should discourage scavengers from coming back to your blue recycling bin. The Bancroft bin is set up with one window for aluminum cans, one window for plastic bottles and all of the other windows for paper goods. We cannot recycle soiled paper goods, tin cans, milk containers or glass. The Bin is set up only for non-food paper goods, cardboard, aluminum cans, and plastic bottles. Thank you for your support.

## **Limited Opening for Area Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Programs**

Registration remains open for a number of area youth programs but is limited for the parent participation afternoon preschool and Friday toddler programs housed at Thomas Jefferson and the Bancroft Early Kinder program. For registration and additional information on the toddler and pre-school programs contact Paula Lynch at 247-3335 or 382-5963 or Susan Lytle Gilmore, Principal at 277-6625. For information related to the Early Kinder program contact the Bancroft office staff at 382-5940.



### Reading is So Delicious this Summer at the Library By Janet Wininger

Summer has arrived and for Sacramento Public Library staff, it's time to kick off another exciting Summer Reading Program! This year, "Reading is SO Delicious" at local libraries, and Arden-Dimick Library is no exception.

As sure as there are hot days, sizzling pavements and ice cream in the summer, we are providing tons of fun activities and great programs. At Arden-Dimick, Summer Reading began with an awesome Ice Cream Social and Children's Book Swap. Each Tuesday from now through the end of July we will have a special program for kids. There are also teen programs and interesting events for adults all summer long.

Come to the library and sign up for Summer Reading or go to our web page at www.saclibrary.org and sign up there. You'll receive a gift and a game card when you sign up, and this delicious program is for ALL ages, babies to seniors. When you finish one game card, you'll receive your prize and your name will be entered into a drawing for an iPad mini (system wide prize) or a \$100 Target gift card (branch level grand prize). The more game cards you finish, the more chances you have to win. And it's all free!

You don't have to be a super reader to join our program either. The library offers tons of online activities and even coming to programs counts, as well as reading to others, so everyone can be a winner and have fun at the library this summer. See you then!

# For some summer activities, consider visiting the library!



Arden-Dimick Public Library 891 Watt Avenue, 264-2920 Hours: T 10-6, W/Th 10-8, F 1-6, Sat 10-5

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### **College Glen Little League**

By Jenny Wirtz

With the close of the regular season, we congratulate the Farm Giants and Minor Cubs on their tournament championship wins, the Minor Giants and Major Yankees who came in first in their division, and the Junior Astros who won their interleague championship.

Thank you to the CGLL families. This was the first time we asked each family to volunteer at a league event. The families really stepped up and did a great job! This year we changed the format of the Home Run Derby and added a movie night. If you have any other ideas on how we can raise money for the league and have fun...please let us know.

Looking for a great opportunity to work on your skills? Fallball is just around the corner! Fallball typically meets on Sundays beginning in August and runs 10 weeks. This is also a good time to get used to the next division they might be moving up to. It's always a big adjustment moving from the tee, to the pitching machine or an actual pitcher! The cost will be \$65 and will include a shirt, hat and instruction.

Continue to check the website regularly for updates on the all-star teams, Fallball, and registration for the 2014 season. Be sure to "like" us on Facebook for league updates.

Thank you to everyone for another amazing baseball season. The families are what makes CGLL such an incredible league! www.collegeglenlittleleague.com

















### A Year of Reflection at Bancroft

As the school year draws to a close, we reflect on the school activities in and out of the classroom. Our toddler, pre-school and early kinder programs housed at the Thomas Jefferson worked on fine motor skills, social issues, and reading. The Bancroft Kindergarten classes worked on basic writing and computer skills while continuing to develop their motor skills. Bancroft's Physical Education and fitness programs include regular running and climbing tasks as students train for the Beaver Dash, Turkey Trot, and Play Day. Kindergarten students explore numerous career options in anticipation of their "Career Day Fashion Show."

Museum, Science Day at the State Capitol, Fog Willow Camp, and the Railroad Museum. The Bancroft honor choir performed at Shriners Hospital and the Downtown Plaza in the Districts All City Elementary School Honor Choir. Bancroft students took 2nd place in the "Garden in a Wheelbarrow" contest at the Sacramento County Fair. The primary classes attended the Junior League

The primary grades hands on activities included Discovery

plays and a production of Beauty and the Beast.

The intermediate grades off-campus learning experiences included: Pioneer Days, Marshal's Gold Discovery State Park and the Native American Demonstration Village, a day at Sutter's Fort and Ancil Hoffman Park. A highlight of the 4th grade social studies program was pioneer dance lessons for students, parents and teachers. Fifth grade students boarded the Tall Ships in Old Sacramento, raised salmon eggs and released the young fry into the American River, tracked a pilot and his flights through the "Adopt-a-Pilot" program, and traveled to San Francisco to visit Angel Island. Our sixth grade classes led the school through a "Tour of Nations," held a science fair during Open House, and had the traditional 6th grade outdoor educational experience at Sly Park.

The Bancroft academic experience incorporates a rigorous academic program, with hands on experiences, student-based community service projects, and physical activities and growth.











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### **Keeping Safe in the Water this Summer**

From the Desk of Assemblymember Roger Dickinson

Temperatures are on the rise in Sacramento and that means more families are heading to our local rivers and lakes to retreat from the heat. Sadly, that also means that drowning accidents occur more frequently in the summer. As a Sacramento County Supervisor in 2008, I authored a county ordinance that requires children 12 and under to wear life jackets. If they do not, their parents can be charged with a misdemeanor and face a fine and/or jail time. We don't want people to be arrested; we want our kids to be safe.

This ordinance could not be more critical, especially during the summer months. On average, six drownings occur each year in the Sacramento and American Rivers. Five of every 100,000 children in the Sacramento area will be victims of a drowning accident. Alarmingly, this is over two times the national average.

Recent drownings in the headlines and climbing temperatures remind us that we must protect children on our rivers from the tragedy of drowning. Here are some important safety tips from Sacramento Drowning Action Rescue Team (DART): wear a Personal Flotation Device; avoid mixing alcoholic beverages with aquatic activities like swimming, fishing and boating; if you are a boat owner, participate in a boating safety class; enroll in a Red Cross, YMCA or community recreation program that teaches basic swimming skills; and practice survival strategies before your life depends upon them.

As always, please call my office if you have any questions, community concerns, or legislative ideas at (916) 324-4676.

#### **Excellence in Mental Health Act**

From the Desk of Congresswoman Doris Matsui

It is far past time for mental health to be treated on a level playing field with the rest of the country's healthcare system. I have been working in Congress and in Sacramento to address our fragmented mental health system by strengthening our community mental health centers. Along with my colleague Rep. Leonard Lance (R-NJ), I introduced H.R. 1263, the Excellence in Mental Health Act, which is supported by numerous mental health organizations and veterans groups. This bipartisan legislation would enhance Medicaid funding for community mental health centers that offer evidence-based treatment and support for millions of Americans with mental health disorders. It would also expand access to our nation's 2,000 community mental health centers by supporting the expansion of existing centers and the construction of new ones. We must protect the mental health system which has faced tremendous struggles across the country, including in Sacramento. California Senate President pro Tem Darrell Steinberg and I have hosted a number of mental health roundtables with local, state and federal mental health care leaders and advocates. These roundtables are a step toward identifying ways to strengthen our region's mental health system, making our region a model for the nation to follow.

This month, I also attended the White House National Conference on Mental Health, kicking off a national dialogue on mental health. I hope everyone can join this dialogue when it comes to the Sacramento Convention Center on July 20th. Together we can address the inadequacies in the mental health system.

### **Enjoy the River this Summer**

From the Desk of County 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.

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 through July 7th (an exception exists for Ancil Hoffman Golf Course). This holiday weekend 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.

# **Cell Phone Emergency?**

264-5151

To reach City emergency personnel while using your cell phone dial the number above. This will take you to the Sacramento Police Department.

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# Glenbrook Park River Access Improvements Begin

From the Desk of Councilmember Kevin McCarty

I'm excited to share with neighbors that the City has begun construction on the improvements to the Glenbrook Park River Access area. The first phase of this project will include constructing a small decomposed granite pathway, developing an irrigation system, and installing water spigots. The neighborhood association is working to find business partners to donate plant life, and is also looking for volunteers to help with planting the garden area. Funds have not yet been identified for Phase 2 of the project, but will include completing the pathway, the irrigation system and building multiple planter areas. The first phase of construction should be complete by the end of June.

We'll be holding our annual summer movie night in conjunction with the College Glen Neighborhood Association on Saturday, September 21st at Oki Park. The event starts at 7:30 pm and we'll be showing "Wreck-It Ralph" at dusk. Bring your family and friends, and don't forget the blankets and chairs. The event is free, and we'll provide the snacks. Hope to see you there!

Thanks to the overwhelming passage of Measure U by 64 percent of voters last November, the City's community swimming and wading pools have opened for the summer. The Oki Park swimming and wading pools opened June 19th and will be open through August 25th. The days of operation are Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays with swim lessons being offered as well. For more information, go to http://www.cityofsacramento.org/parksandrecreation/recreation/aquatics/classes.htm. I hope you get a chance to cool off and enjoy the pool!

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 808-7006 or via email at kmccarty@cityofsacramento. org.

## SMUD Makes Home Energy Displays Available For Check-Out

By Howard Posner, SMUD Ward 3 Director

One of the challenges of reducing your electricity use is that you probably don't know much you're using or how much it's costing you at any given time.

Now, to help customers become more knowledgeable about their energy use and provide a tool that might help them save money, SMUD has stocked "EnergyAware" electricity use displays at 28 local library branches. Customers with Sacramento Public Library cards can check out one of the devices for up to two months, just as they would with a book.

Once plugged in, the EnergyAware device immediately begins communicating wirelessly with the customer's smart meter. The 4.5-by-3-inch display shows electricity use in kilowatt-hours and dollars and cents. It also allows the customer to track how electricity use changes as specific appliances are turned on and off.

EnergyAware is one of the first technologies available that allows customers to utilize the SMUD smart grid, which is interconnected by 620,000 smart meters installed on customers' homes and businesses.

SMUD also offers EnergyAware to customers who request one when they register as SMUD "My Account" users on www.smud.org.

Smart meters are the backbone of the smart grid. The smart grid will help SMUD integrate more renewable resources into its power supply and respond to outages quicker and more efficiently. As SMUD continues to make its electric grid smarter, additional products will be available to help customers monitor their energy use in real time.

For more information about the EnergyAware loaner program or any of SMUD's energy-saving programs and services, visit smud.org or call 1-888-742-SMUD (7683).

# Stay Informed - Register for CGNA eMail Notices



Stay informed about neighborhood issues related to crime including this incident from April. A light truck driving down LaRiveria Way crashed into this SUV pushing it through several front yards before eventually hitting the smaller car that was parked in the driveway. The driver of the light truck jumped out and ran off.

A number of area residents have expressed interest in being on the Association's e-notice list. Why the interest? We have had a number of undesirable events in the area: the shooting of three Sacramento State students on Dennison Court, the grab and run of a woman's purse while walking along La Riviera Drive, the attempted grab and run of a youth's pizza along Julliard Drive, two auto events on La Riviera Drive and a purse snatching in a home.

The CGNA attempts to keep our residents informed with our quarterly newsletter and electronic communication. All area residents receive our newsletter free of charge. To communicate electronically with you our Web Master must have both your e-mail address AND your permission to include you in our electronic distribution. Each year we up-date the e-distribution list during our community contribution drive. To sign-up for electronic notices and give us your permission, please visit our web site www.collegeglen.org.

The more we know the more we can assist the police in helping avoid these crimes in our area.

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# SPCA's 20th Annual Doggy Dash

Thousands of dog supporters treated their best friend to an early morning walk in William Land Park 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. This year, with the high temperatures, extra tubs of water were available for the dogs to take a quick dip in and cool off. 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. The event supports a great cause and is lots of fun.

















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### **Association Prepares for July 4th and National Family Night Out**

Olivet Court will again host the CGNA National Family Night Out. The celebration will feature Bowdian Court's Charlie White as DJ. The evening will begin with Charlie guiding us through a musical journey of American's favorite music. At dark, Charlie will segue to a medley of patriotic songs to support our traditional Red Devil/TNT fireworks presentation.

The National Family Night Out activities will include crafts and balloon animals for the youth, the ever-popular pets from College-Greens Pet Center, face painting, and cookie decorating. There will be complimentary hot dogs, chips, drinks and dessert 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.

This community activity provides an opportunity for the Association and the residents of Glenbrook and College Greens to come together for an evening of fun and to demonstrate community support for our local police, fire department, business sponsors, and elected representatives. We give a special note of thanks to TNT/Freedom/Red Devil Fireworks for providing all of the traditional fireworks for this event.



Volunteers look over the fireworks inventory in preparation for the big show.

Please join the Association in supporting both our TNT sponsors 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.

# Don't Miss Out On The Sacramento SPCA By Tracie Popma

They say you can't pick your family... but you can pick your pet! The Sacramento SPCA understands that sometimes you want to bury your head in the sand over the antics of your crazy Uncle Bill—but hey, he's family and you can't pick family. So why not make life a little less crazy by picking your pet? All adult cats (one year or older) at the Sacramento SPCA are now only \$40. The adoption fee includes spay/neuter, vaccinations and microchip. For more information, call (916) 383-7387

If you're more of a horse fan, don't miss out on the Lasher Polo Classic this year. On Saturday, September 14, the Sacramento SPCA will host an unforgettable event—an Exhibition Polo Match with all of the excitement and regalia reminiscent of the royal spectacles of the past. Set at the beautiful Chamberlain Ranch, along the Cosumnes River, the event will feature a polo match, delicious food by Chef Matt Woolston of the Supper Club, a "Champagne Divot Stomp," fine California wines, specialty shops, and live music. Tickets are available from \$25 for unreserved lawn seating to \$75 for VIP tickets and \$150 for Royal Club tickets. Learn more about what ticket level offerings at www.sspca.org or by calling (916) 504-2868. Proceeds from The Lasher Polo Classic will benefit the Sacramento SPCA. Don't miss this opportunity to wear your favorite hat and experience the heart-stopping excitement of polo.

## **Looking for K9 Blood Donor Heroes**

Is your dog a future blood donor hero? The UC Davis Veterinary Blood Bank is looking for blood donors. Donors must be between 1-8 years old, 55 pounds or greater, and current or willing to stay on provided flea/tick/heartworm preventative medications. Initial visits to the clinic will be for screening to determine the health of your pet. Initially they will take several small tubes of blood and run diagnostic tests, valued at \$300. Those dogs that are enrolled in our program will be given these blood tests free yearly, as well as "goodies" with each appointment. All costs related to the donation are paid in full by the UC Davis Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital.

The Blood Bank Team would love to see you and your dog come in for a screening appointment to determine eligibility as a blood donor. Call (530) 752-1393, Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm to make an appointment with Transfusion Medicine for Blood Donor Screening. Dogs are never sedated and they work with your dog on the floor. Appointments are scheduled for 30 minutes, but frequently run much shorter, with the actual blood donation lasting only 5-7 minutes.

For general questions, call 530-752-1393 or email caninebloodbank@gmail.com.

UC Davis Vet Blood Bank can be found online at http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/vmth/small animal/transfusion/activities.cfm.

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### **Real Estate Update**

By Linda Wood, Broker-Assoc., Dunnigan, Realtors

It's 108 degrees as I write. I'll be showing homes tonight once it cools down. Buyers are not letting the heat stop them. I remember showing a home on a 111 degree day in a previous "hot" market. That buyer was able to buy her home simply because most people weren't looking that week – less competition!

If you have been waiting for a good time to put your home on the market, this may be the time! We continue to experience a shortage of inventory. You may be in a better position to sell than you realize. If you are considering selling, it's time to call your Realtor for a consultation. Even though we are in a "seller's market" you still need to put your best foot forward and make sure that your home shows well and is priced right. Once your home is listed, cleaned, staged and photographed your agent will put it into MetroList. It's possible that you would choose to withhold it from the MLS, however, that should only be in special situations. It's a proven fact that homes that are exposed to the market via a Multiple Listing Service will bring the highest and best offers.

Whether you are a seller or buyer, it is important that your Realtor be a good negotiator and communicator. Your Realtor's reputation within the community and among their peers is critical. Remember that they are representing you and you deserve the best!

# Election 2014: Candidates Throw Their Hats in the Ring By Rebekah Cearley

It may seem early to think about the November 2014 General Election, but candidates are already announcing their plans to run for seats that represent the College-Glen neighborhood in the State Legislature. This election will have a significant impact on College-Glen's representation; due to recent changes in election law, it is possible that whoever is elected to the Assembly in 2014 could remain in that office until 2026!

Previously, our neighborhood was split between two Assembly districts, AD 5 (north of Highway 50) and AD 10 (south of Highway 50). As a result of the recent redistricting process, our neighborhood is now entirely contained within one Assembly district, AD 7. We are currently represented by Assemblymember Roger Dickinson (D) and Senator Darrell Steinberg (D - SD 6), who serves in the top leadership post as Senate President Pro Tempore and will be termed out in 2014. This creates an open Senate seat that will set off a round of elected official musical chairs.

Two sitting assemblymembers are exploring runs for Steinberg's seat: Dickinson, a former county supervisor, and Dr. Richard Pan, a pediatrician. Pan previously represented part of College-Glen when he served in the old AD 5 and has since moved to represent the South Sacramento region in AD 9.

Candidates that have emerged to replace Assemblymember Dickinson in AD 7 include Kevin McCarty (D), who represents District 6 and College-Glen on the Sacramento City Council, and Mark Johannessen (D), an attorney and certified public accountant who serves on the West Sacramento City Council. McCarty ran previously in AD 9 but narrowly lost the 2010 Democratic primary to Dickinson.

There is still time for more candidates to emerge for both the Senate and Assembly seats. In the next newsletter, we will identify any new candidates and review recent changes to election law that will affect the 2014 elections process.



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### News from Sac State by Craig Koscho

Sleep Train Arena was filled with cheers, tears and the pride of achievement May 24-25 as Sacramento State students launched themselves on new paths during Spring Commencement 2013. The 4,688 newly minted alumni were enthusiastic in their gratitude to parents, families and faculty. To see the all the pomp and circumstances, including special awards and video footage, visit our website www.csus.edu.

Capital Public Radio's Annual Used Record & CD Sale fundraiser will be held on June 22-23, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, June 22, and Sunday, June 23, at the Howe 'Bout Arden shopping center. The "record store" will be in Suite 172, roughly between Nordstrom Rack and Baja Fresh restaurant. Admission is free and all proceeds support the nonprofit Capital Public Radio. A preview sale and party are set for 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 21, in Suite 172. Admission is \$20 per person. Nick Brunner, host of Capital Public Radio's Blue Dog Jam, will be on hand to provide musical entertainment. Food and wine will be served.

"Our weekend-long pop-up record store is one of our biggest

and most fun community events of the year," says Constance Crawford, the station's director of marketing and public relations. "It's a real delight to watch music-lovers thumb through boxes and boxes of treasures." For more information, call 278-8900 or visit www.capradio.org/recordsale.

Christopher Thompson's work in Sacramento State's Master's of Studio Art program is going to benefit a large number of people. The Sacramento State student is hand-making 1,000 ceramic bowls while in the program. Thompson made the project's first bowl in November 2011. He has spent the last year and a half making more – throwing the clay, shaping it, firing it in the kiln, then glazing it. Each bowl is unique, with glazes used to create bowls with deep shades of blue, brilliant reds and other vibrant colors.

The bowls will be sold at more than a dozen local galleries during midtown Sacramento's Second Saturday art celebration July 12. The sale of those bowls could raise up to \$50,000 to help feed local residents in need.

### **Association Thanks Sponsors and Newsletter Contributors**

On June 6th the Association hosted an early morning breakfast for our area business sponsors, community leaders and news contributors. Currently the Association has over 70 local business and community leaders as sponsors. Some of our sponsors make in-kind donations and other make financial contributions. While anyone can submit an article for our newsletter most of the content comes from a core group of 25 to 50 regular contributors including local businesses, area leaders and academic institutions. Jason Deglow arrived at 6:30am to fire-up the barbeque and put on the breakfast steaks while other members greeted our guests. The Association appreciates the support that we receive from our sponsors and news contributors and encourages everyone to support and thank them whenever possible. Each sponsor is listed on the back page of our newsletter and on our website.



### **Update on Michelle, Missy and Max**



This past March Michelle was put on a new chemo mix that seemed to stop the growth of her brain tumor. Her doctors were amazed, but Michelle wasn't. She's a fighter and hopes to be around for a while! In May, Michelle started walking with the neighbors who have kindly been walking her dogs since March 2012.

Her neighbors continue to walk her two collies, Max and Missy. While Michelle wants to keep her collies, she realizes that Missy (the black and white collie) needs a bigger yard to run along with more training and attention. If you are interested in adopting Missy please email Michelle at michellemissymax@gmail.com . Missy is a sweetheart.

## **Parking Options Unclear on Wissemann**

Oki Park Users beware! The City painted a portion of the curb along Lake Forest Drive red, then added a No Parking stencil to some segments of the curb. Subsequently City Traffic determined it would be too difficult to keep the curbs painted bright red and came back and grayed out some of the red curb. Regardless of the color please note that some, though not all, of the gray area is still a no parking zone and subject to a fine if parked in. In the mean time Councilmember McCarty's office is working on having part of the easement on the south side of the street graded for parking. McCarty's office is also investigating the appropriateness of bike lanes on Lake Forest Drive between Seton Hill Court and Everglade Drive. In the mean time drivers beware of where you park on Lake Forest Drive along the front of Oki Park.

# **Eric Dodd Honored at District 6 Neighborhood Appreciation Dinner**



CGNA resident Eric Dodd was recognized and honored at the District 6 Neighborhood Appreciation Dinner hosted by Councilmember Kevin McCarty for his recent quick actions that assisted the California Highway Patrol in the capture of a suspected motorcycle thief. The thief was attempting to elude the Highway Patrol by cutting through the College-Greens neighborhood. Eric grew up in College Greens and now is a resident of the neighborhood with a family of his own.

# A Note for Dog Walkers

Code Enforcement and Animal Control officer are patrolling the neighborhood. The fine for walking your dog off leash ranges from a low of \$100 to a high of \$500. The amount is at the discretion of the officer.







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#### 20th Annual Jazz in the Park Concert

The Annual Jazz in the Park concert at Oki Park was the place to be on Fathers Day. Jazz in the Park has been part of the community activities for the local residents and their families for the past 20 years. Traditionally our City Councilmembers and the College-Glen Neighborhood Association have co-sponsored this program for the benefit our neighbors and their friends. The City provides the band, Councilmember McCarty's office provides the equipment, and the Association offers the food, drink and dessert. This year Kevin McCarty chose The Garret Perkins Trio for the event. It is possible that this concert will be our last as the agreement with Sacramento Traditional Jazz Jubilee has expired and the Jubilee has changed its direction. We want to thank Kevin McCarty's office for supporting this year's program.









## **Have You Registered Your Support For The Association?**

If you are a resident of College Greens or Glenbrook community and have not registered your support for the Neighborhood Association this year we encourage you to do so. You may use the 2013 support form below to make a contribution and register your support. The suggested amount for residents remains \$10, although any amount will be greatly appreciated. If you don't feel that you can make a donation, that's OK. We would still like you to send in a form so that you can be counted as an active supporter of the College-Glen Neighborhood Association.

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