

CGNA Annual Meeting, November 21st at Fire Station 60

3301 Julliard Drive, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

The College-Glen Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21st at 6:30pm at the Station 60 Fire House at 3301 Julliard Drive (across from Raley's). Light refreshments will be served at 6:30pm with socializing and a review of photos from the year's events. In addition to the basic CGNA election and annual report, the CGNA has invited representatives from the Sacramento Police Department to talk about their "Nextdoor Sacramento" social media program, Fire Captain Hooman Ghazanfari will speak about fire safety in the home, and John Perez will address bicycle and vehicle issues in the neighborhood with an emphasis on the Occidental Overpass. We will also receive updates from Councilmember Kevin McCarty, Assemblymember Roger Dickinson, and City Unified School District Trustees Christina Pritchett and Jeff Cuneo.

The Association has invited the Assembly and Senate candidates seeking to represent the College-Glen neighborhood in the state legislature in the upcoming 2014 election to introduce themselves and share their primary goals.

If you have an issue or concern not reflected in the proposed agenda, share the issue with the CGNA for consideration on the agenda before October 31, 2013. Items may be submitted to the Board at cgna@collegeglen.org or to the CGNA, P.O. Box 276474, Sacramento, CA 95827. We will only include items on the agenda from CGNA community members so please include your name, residential address, e-mail address, and phone number when you submit your issue.

Remember to mail in your CGNA officer ballot or turn it in at the meeting!

Annual Meeting Agenda

Subject to change

- Meet and greet with refreshments
- CGNA officer elections
- Sac PD for "Nextdoor Sacramento"
- Fire Captain Ghazanfari
- Bicycle and vehicle issues in College-Glen
- Councilmember McCarty
- Assemblymember Dickinson
- SCUSD Trustees Pritchett and Cuneo
- 2014 CA Assembly and Senate Candidates

Station 60 Responds to Huntington Apartments Fire

If you are a resident of College Greens or Glenbrook you are probably already aware of the benefits of having a neighborhood fire station. However, recently the residents of the Huntington Apartments learned first hand the benefits of having Sacramento Fire Station 60 as their next-door neighbors. A resident noted a potential problem, ran to the station front door, and pounded away. Instantly, the Station 60 crew went to work. In fact, the Station 60 crew had the situation under control by the time the other City and Metro Fire Departments arrived in response to the initial 911 calls. The rapid emergency response is the benefit College-Glen residents enjoy by having Station 60 as our neighbor. Thank you Station 60 for always being there when we need you.



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Back to School

What could be more exciting or significant in a child's life than the first day of school? As a kindergartener it is the beginning of their academic life. First grade brings a departure from the protective environment of kindergarten and the first steps toward academic independence and self-responsibility. As students grow, the first day of school brings about academic advancement, sharing summer activities, renewing old friendships, and starting new ones with new classmates all while getting to know a new teacher.















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Busy as Beavers at Bancroft

Bancroft staff is working diligently to build the best program ever for our students and families this year! Classroom curriculum is invigorated with the implementation of the Common Core Standards. Our focus on the arts is being re-energized to provide numerous opportunities in visual arts, performing arts, dance and music. Classroom gardens not only enhance the campus, but provide hands-on learning where students can literally dig in to their lessons. The neighborhood community will be working on the Habitat, located on the northwest corner of the campus, bordering Belmar Street. The Habitat is an outdoor classroom accessible to all students, offering real-life scientific study and onsite "field trips" to enrich the daily routine. We also emphasize the importance of recycling and thanks to our partnership with the College Glen Neighborhood Association, the yellow dumpster in our parking lot has been filling up quickly.

We've very proud to offer many arts opportunities



We continue to provide a stellar PE program, a well-stocked library, and at Bancroft. These include a piano keyboard lab for a computer lab. A science lab is also in the works. All these components are the intermediate students, a comprehensive curriculum a critical part of the strong educational foundation that we want to provide featuring art history and the classics for all grade levels, to all students. Of course, we rely greatly on the support of our wonderful a choir, and our annual talent show offered in the spring. parent group to help make it all possible. The year is off to a great start!

Rosemont HS Continues to LEAD

By Nate McGill, Assistant Principal, Rosemont HS

We are excited about the opening of this school year for a number of reasons. To begin, our academic programs, designed to prepare our students for a post-secondary education with high-interest material and curriculum that is aligned with the Common Core State Standards, are really taking shape.

The Leadership and Enrichment through Academic Development (LEAD) program is in its second year and has welcomed another strong class of freshmen to be the front runners of academics and community service at Rosemont High School. LEAD is a criteria-based program that offers our strongest students in English a universitylevel curriculum that will prepare them for any 4-year college of their choice.

The Energy Science Engineering Academy (ESEA) and the Sports Careers and Wellness Academy (SCWA) are in their first year and have already drawn a number of students to their respective pathways. ESEA is designed to give students interested in pursuing the Engineering field at the university level a foundation for the math and science courses they will need to take to be successful. The SCWA focuses on nutrition, body mechanics, and physiology with the goal of teaching young people how physical fitness and mental preparedness go hand in hand.

Both the Green Academy, which emphasizes environmental awareness and personal responsibility for the planet, and the Arts Media Pathway, a collection of technical classes that teach skills related to the digital media field, are going strong.

We're confident we have a program that appeals to any student – visit us today!

Transitional Kinder Program at Maximum



The voluntary California Early-Kinder program is in its fourth year statewide. The College-Glen Community asked and received approval for participation during the trial stage of the program. This traditional kindergarten program is academically oriented and has a prekindergarten English language arts and mathematics curriculum designed to build a strong foundation to help students enter the District's regular kindergarten program. The Bancroft program is currently housed at the Thomas Jefferson site. The program currently has enrolled the maximum 24 students and there is a long waiting list.

California Montessori Project

By Bernie Evangelista, Principal

The school year is off to a great start! We have 313 students in our K to 8 program who are eager to be back in the swing of things. In a Montessori program, the first 6 to 8 weeks of school is commonly known as a "normalization period." This is the time the teachers and students get to know each other, set the expectations from all members of the community and establish routines. Students are also assessed during this time to establish baselines in the areas of reading, math and writing from which individualized programs for students will be based. After the "normalization period" parent volunteers are welcome to support the class community. Classes will also be going on different field trips which are an essential component of the Montessori program.

On November 2nd, everyone is invited to attend our Annual Harvest Festival from 11 AM to 3 PM. There will be food, fun, games, arts and crafts, and something for everyone. We will also be having a Scholastic Book Fair on that day, and this is a great time to purchase those holiday presents. On November 14th, we will be having a parent informational event from 5:00-6:30 PM regarding Montessori and Common Core Standards. On December 5th, we will be having our Annual Continent Party from 5:00-6:30 PM, where we celebrate culture and diversity. Students' research work on different countries will be presented. All are invited.

30th Annual Rugby Tournament January 18th & 19th

The Sacramento Valley Rugby Foundation will host the 30th Annual Kick Off Tournament for high school age players this coming January 18th and 19th at the Rancho Cordova High School sports fields. Registration is underway for this tournament that typically draws teams from throughout Northern California and Canada. Games start at 8:00 am and continue until 5:00 pm on both Saturday and Sunday. In addition to the tournament competition, matches are scheduled throughout the day for middle school under 10 and 12 year olds that focus primarily on learning the game and getting playing time against other teams.

Sacramento has consistently been well represented by local participating teams from Jesuit, Christian Brothers, CK McClatchy, and JF Kennedy. Over the past few years

Jesuit has captured 1st or 2nd place in the National High School Championship Tournament. The public is welcome and encouraged to come and enjoy this "Gentlemen's Game" of rugby. For more information about youth and high school rugby in the Sacramento area, contact Jerry Ahlin at 804-4332 or visit the Sacramento Valley Rugby Foundation website at www.svrf.org.

Statewide Civic Education Task Force Seeks Curriculum Changes

By David W. Gordon, Sac Co Superintendent of Schools

I am honored to serve as co-chair of a new statewide task force charged with producing recommendations for dramatically improving civic education in California schools.

The Task Force on K-12 Civic Learning was created by Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson to help elevate the importance of civic learning in California.

We have an aggressive timeline and much ground to cover. We have a year to perform the work and will engage the public in this endeavor. Our goal is to help students become more informed and engaged citizens. We can't do this without the ideas and energy of adults and youth at our schools and community leaders. So, we will conduct up to six regional meetings throughout the state and provide an opportunity for people to comment electronically. Dates and meeting times are pending.

During the process, we will look at a lot of elements of K-12 curriculum, such as instructional practices, professional development for teachers, and partnerships with the community and businesses, and produce a Civic Learning Blueprint by July 2014.

This is excellent timing as California's implementation of the Common Core State Standards is prompting us to reassess those practices we have in place to prepare students for college and career. We need to better prepare our students to become responsible, actively engaged citizens in our democratic society. I believe this effort steers us in that direction.

If you have comments or suggestions, please send them to me c/o therrera@scoe.net.

College Glen Little League Registration is Coming!

By Jenny Wirtz, CGLL Registrar

We are so excited that it's time for College Glen Little League Families to start thinking about the next baseball season!! We have been busy behind the scenes as a Board working on improving things and planning for next year.

College Glen Little League registration will be here before we know it. We listened to what folks said in the survey and we will not be holding any registration in December and we will now also be able to accept Visa as a form of registration payment.

Please mark your calendars for the 2014 season registration. We will have one day for early registration at a discounted rate on November 16th at La Riviera Family Pizza. Regular registration will be held on January 4, 5, 8 and 11, 2014. We will update our website with the current forms and information about registration, including costs, as the dates draw nearer.

Please "like" us on Facebook (search for College Glen Little League) so that you are receiving the most up to date information. We will be holding field workdays prior to registration and welcome any help you have to offer. We will post those work dates on our website and update Facebook with that information.

If you have any questions email us at collegeglenlittleleague@hotmail.com and we will answer them as quickly as possible. Happy Holidays to all and we'll see you soon!

School Named for U-CAN Founder Dr. Rowe

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

On September 9, the third school opened under the Fortune Countywide Charter – authorized by the Sacramento County Board of Education – was formally named Alan Rowe College Prep. The dedication ceremony continued Fortune's tradition of naming its schools in honor of living African American community pioneers. Present at the ceremony, Dr. Alan Rowe founded U-CAN, the United College Action Network, in 1988. U-CAN provides leadership, services, and assistance to students wishing to enroll in four-year Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCUs). At the ceremony, Charter CEO Margaret Fortune noted that U-CAN's efforts have resulted in 15,000 students being accepted into HBCUs, many receiving scholarships that have totaled more than \$35,000,000.

U-CAN's services include counseling and workshops for students and their families, help with course selection, consultation regarding admission and scholarship eligibility, and even campus visits. U-CAN has developed successful partnerships, support, outreach, and mentoring programs throughout California.

Dr. Rowe's extensive background in public and community service has been a key factor in U-CAN's success. A career state employee, Dr. Rowe was a member of Black Advocates in State Service for over a quarter century. He was an elected trustee in the former Grant Joint Union High School District for 13 years, as well as a member of the Coalition of California Black School Board Members and the National Caucus of Black School Board Members.

Alan Rowe College Prep is located at 9424 Big Horn Boulevard in Elk Grove. Serving grades K-3 this year, the school will add one grade per year.

The New Common Core Standards

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

Many people have heard about the new Common Core Standards but have questions about what they are and why we are adopting them. So here is a quick overview.

For many years California schools have been using our own state-developed standards for grade levels and subject areas. After much discussion, educational leaders decided to join together with 45 other states to adopt standards that are internationally recognized, rigorous, and focused on critical thinking and other skills needed to be successful in the 21st century. These are not "federal" standards imposed from Washington DC; they have been adopted state-by state and have broad support across the US.

While similar to our existing standards, the common core emphasizes deeper thinking and more rigor. For example, students will be reading more informational text and learning to develop an argument and select supporting evidence. In math, especially at the early grades, emphasis will be on deeper understanding of concepts to give the students confidence in mathematical skills. Students will demonstrate their knowledge by solving real-world problems mathematically. And the new Smarter Balanced Assessments will be computer-based and require students to explain their answers, not just fill in an A, B, C, or D bubble.

SCOE will continue to provide professional development for teachers on the new standards so that they can provide the very best instruction for students and prepare them for careers in a competitive world.

Please contact me at JLevy@scoe.net with any questions, and visit my facebook page: JackieLevyEdu for updates about local educational issues

Introducing Common Core Throughout SCUSD

By Jeff Cuneo, Area 2 Trustee SCUSD

Another school year has begun. Since our return, I have visited numerous schools and came away impressed. Our schools are becoming even better at welcoming students back and introducing a warm and open environment for teaching and learning.

This is an exciting time for all schools. The Common Core Standards are being introduced into classrooms throughout the district. These standards ensure that all students are college and career ready at the end of high school. They will offer more academic rigor while giving educators, parents and children clearly defined learning goals. At the same time, funding for our local schools has changed. The state has passed and enacted into law the Local Control Funding Formula. The district should receive more money from the state than in years past. We will have more flexibility in deciding where valuable dollars are spent. Parent and citizen involvement and oversight will be crucial. I am actively looking for parents and citizen to assist in these decisions.

The International Baccalaureate (IB) program at Kit Carson began this year. As a middle school, (and soon a high school) the program offers students and families an additional option. The IB program has an impressive record of success in schools across the country. The program will add a 9th Grade in the 2014-2015 school year and expand a grade level each year thereafter until serving grades 7-12. I encourage families to look into the IB program before making future decisions for your children.

Please contact me at jeff4schoolboard@gmail.com.

Toddler and Pre-School Openings Limited

The Jefferson/McClaskey Pre-School and Toddler program continue to be popular with local parents. The morning pre-school class for 3 and 4 year olds is currently at maximum enrollment with a waiting list. The afternoon class remains open for new students. The Friday morning toddler class for 2 and young 3 year olds has limited openings. If you have questions or would like to register for one of the program please contact Sue Gilmore, at 277-6625

Join Girl Scouts!

Girl Scouts do great things for themselves, their friends, their community, and the world. Each girl in kindergarten through 12th grade gets the chance to voice her opinion about what types of hands-on activities her troop will do together. If you are interested in joining or volunteering, please contact Joanna Buchowicz

at 916-453-5248 or email her at Joanna. Buch@girlscoutshcc.org.



Bill to Restrict Sale of Animals at Swap Meets and Flea Markets Signed

From the Desk of Assemblymember Roger Dickinson

On September 6, Assembly Bill 339, a bill I authored, was signed into law by Governor Brown. The bill will prohibit the sale of animals at swap meets and flea markets unless the local jurisdiction adopts minimum animal care and treatment standards in order to prevent the suffering of animals, protect consumers, and eliminate the public health and safety risks and potential threats of disease outbreaks associated with such sales.

Puppies, kittens, baby rabbits, turtles, exotic birds, reptiles, and poultry are commonly sold at flea markets and swap meets in often abysmal conditions where there is no legal oversight of the seller and no consumer accountability. They are frequently kept in unsanitary, crowded stacked pens or cages, without food or water, and/or in extreme heat and direct sunlight and handled by shoppers.

Swap meets and flea markets have also historically been prime outlets for the sale of smuggled birds presenting conservation, welfare, and disease outbreak concerns. The bargain-sales atmosphere of flea markets and swap meets encourages impulse-buying and leads to increased costs to local government for sheltering discarded animals.

AB 339 will regulate animal sales permitted at swap meets and flea markets to alleviate the suffering of animals, ensure that public health and safety is protected, and safeguard consumers.

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



Dedication to Service Honored Forever

From the Desk of Supervisor Susan Peters

A bronze plaque honoring County Animal Control Officer Roy Marcum is on permanent display in the courtyard of Sacramento County's animal shelter. It serves as a memorial reminding all of us about this dedicated public servant killed in the line of duty who was passionate about animals.

Officer Marcum served the people of Sacramento County and was dedicated to the welfare of the animals within it. He had been employed with the Department of Animal Care and Regulation for 14 year before his life was taken during an animal welfare inspection.

Recently Officer Marcum was recognized nationally with the R.D. "Bob" Ward Memorial Posthumous Award from the National Animal Control Association at its conference in Atlanta on September 5. Dr. Ward was a Texas pioneer among those striving for professionalism in the Animal Control field and was an outstanding example of the type of person who gives their all for a just cause.

The public can view the Marcum Memorial Plaque at the animal shelter, located at 3839 Bradshaw Road, one mile south of Highway 50, during normal business hours Wednesday through Friday from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. as well as Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon to 4:30 p.m. At the shelter, visitors can view the many lost and abandoned animals available for adoption – the types of animals Officer Marcum rescued in service to the residents of Sacramento County.

Susan Peters represents the Third District on the Board of Supervisors including the area comprising the College-Glen Neighborhood Association. She can be reached by email at susanpeters@saccounty.net.

Implementation of the Affordable Care Act

From the Desk of Congresswoman Doris Matsui

As we look toward full implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in 2014, millions of Americans will have the ability to finally choose affordable, high-quality health insurance. Over the past three years, as provisions of the law have begun to be implemented, we have seen increased consumer protections and cuts to the overall cost of health care.

We are now approaching another important milestone in the legislation. On October 1st, enrollment began for individuals in the Health Insurance Marketplace, known in California as Covered California, and for small businesses in the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP). Individuals and small businesses are now able to shop for the health insurance plan that best fits their needs. You can find more information about the available plans by visiting Covered California's website at www.coveredca.com.

Health insurance plans in California have been working with Covered California to negotiate competitive premiums that offer better benefits and new consumer protections. Additionally, Covered California will provide tools to make coverage more affordable. This enrollment period will end for calendar year 2014 on March 30, 2014. Coverage for those who enroll will begin January 1, 2014.

At its core, the ACA is working to ensure quality health care is more affordable and accessible to the American people and on October 1st, individuals and business owners were able to make health care decisions based on what works best for them.



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Perspective on Citywide Solid Waste

Changes From the Desk of Councilmember Kevin McCarty

Many residents are still grappling with the changes to the City's yard waste "Claw" services which were mandated by the voters last November via Measure T. We received the most feedback from residents about the switch from weekly to bi-weekly recycling pickup. I was very conflicted about this vote last year, but ultimately voted yes with a couple of caveats.

The positives are that the City saves over \$1 million annually in operational expenses (weekly vs. biweekly), and the change will allow customer rates to remain constant through July 1, 2015. On the downside, it is more burdensome for residents. While many residents may be okay with paying the extra \$5 a month for a second blue can, they may not have room on their property. I'm also concerned that the city's overall recycling rate will drop significantly, a concern echoed last year by residents and environmental advocates. This issue is critical to the City since our current waste diversion rate is barely over the state-mandated threshold of 50%.

For these reasons, as part of the 2012 vote, I mandated that City staff closely monitor and analyze recycling rates and re-visit this issue next summer. We should receive our first Solid Waste Department staff analysis in the next couple of months, and I'll keep residents posted on the results.

Lastly, the City continues to work on additional ways to promote recycling and divert trash from the landfills. In the coming months, the City will be unveiling new programs to further the recycling of Styrofoam and curb unnecessary plastic bag waste. Further, my office is exploring an idea to launch a neighborhood pilot project to recycle food waste, as is currently being done in 175 cities across America.

Summer Snapshot on Crime By Ron Alvarado

Crime took no vacation this past summer with our neighborhood's "traditional" leader, burglary from automobiles, taking the notorious honor of being the number one crime in our area. During the summer, the most crimes were committed on Fridays with the least number of crimes committed on Tuesdays. The most home burglaries this summer were committed on August 22. Cooler weather is approaching. Remember that your home is more inviting to a burglar when your ground floor windows are left wide open.

Here is a snapshot of how the area fared this summer on crime from July 1 through September 20.

Crime Category	Total This Summer	Percentage of Total Crimes
Burglary from motor vehicles	32	23.4%
Motor vehicle theft	27	19.7%
Theft (general)	26	19.0%
Residential Burglary	22	16.1%
Shoplifting	13	9.5%
Aggravated Assault	7	5.1%
Robbery (individual)	6	4.4%
Commercial Burglary	3	2.2%
Total	136	100%

Customers Will Reap Benefits From "SmartSacramento" Initiative

By Howard Posner, SMUD Ward 3 Director

Until recently, the electric grid operated in much the same fashion for as it did a century earlier.

Now, in the relative blink of eye, change is coming.

The grid is being modernized to take advantage of such emerging technologies as smart meters, energy storage and home energy displays. The \$308 million invested in SMUD's "Smart Sacramento" initiative is a major step in this transformation.

This past spring, just 3½ years after being receiving a \$127.5 million smart grid infrastructure grant, the largest federal grant awarded to any California utility, SMUD met the Department of Energy's deadline for installing nearly all of the authorized smartgrid equipment.

SmartSacramento encompassed more than 40 different projects. Expanded capabilities in the new SMUD's control room allow operators to resolve or minimize many outages without having to dispatch a troubleshooter to the scene. The federal grant funded the implementation of software enhances SMUD's ability to prevent, detect and respond to cyber security events.

Smart thermostats and in-home displays help customers monitor their energy use. Energy storage technologies will help integrate solar power into the distribution system more effectively.

Ultimately, the smart grid will help reduce the environmental impact of the electrical system by supporting renewable generation, greater system efficiency, increased customer efficiency, and a reduction of peak load during the heaviest summer hours of usage.

While making the Sacramento region's entire electric grid smart is a work in progress, it's some of the most important work SMUD has done in its 66 years of service.

City's Police Chief Supports Nextdoor Social Media

Sacramento City Chief of Police Sam Sommers Jr. has been hosting community meetings around town encouraging residents to join a Nextdoor social media website. Chief Sommers cites that "When neighbors start talking, good things happen." They are more likely to look out for one another and work together on common issues. Each Nextdoor website is password-protected and private to you and your neighbors. All your information is secure and none of your personal information is shared with advertisers or third parties. Chief Sommers believes that Nextdoor will bring neighbors together, help neighbors track and report suspicious activities, and subsequently help in preventing crime before it happens in our neighborhood.

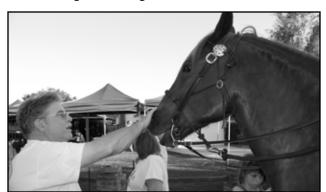
The Association has invited Chief Sommers or a representative from his office to discuss his Nextdoor Social Media program at our Annual Meeting. We have asked that special attention be given to discussing the types of personal information that would be appropriate for sharing and what is best not shared through this process. If you are interested in the Nextdoor program or are currently participating in the program we encourage you to attend the CGNA Annual Meeting on Thursday, November 21st at 6:30 pm.

National Family Night Out Fun for All

It was a hot June day in Sacramento but the residents of College-Glen were ready for National Family Night Out. This year's free event was sponsored by the College-Glen Neighborhood Association, Council Member Kevin McCarty's office, and Neighborhood Services. Special thanks to the residents of Olivet Court, Hastings Court, and Bennington Way for hosting the festivities. The celebration featured D.J. Charlie White from Bowdian Court who provided a musical journey across the county. Activities included crafts, face painting, balloon sculpture and hair chalking. Raley's Bakery provided cookie decorating and the College Greens Pet Center shared a number of their loveable and interesting pets with the kids. Members of the Sacramento Mounted Police Unit, a K-9 unit, a number of area Sacramento City Police Officers, and the Crew from Fire Station 60 stopped by the meet the neighbors. Refreshments were provided by The Association and included free hot dogs, chips and cake. Residents also enjoyed complementary coffee from LaBou, soda from Pepsi-Cola, and lots of bottled water from Agent Linda Wood, with Dunnigan Realtors. Taqueria El Festival shared free tacos while Mandy's Berries offered berry samples.

As the darkness set in D. J. Charlie transitioned the party soundtrack to a medley of patriotic songs for the traditional Red Devil/TNT Salute to Freedom and Independence.

The Association thanks all of our 2013 neighborhood financial contributors, business sponsors, City staff, neighborhood volunteers and neighbors in Olivet and Hastings Courts and residents along Bennington Way for their support of this popular community activity. In spite of the over 100° heat, with everyone's help we were able to provide a safe evening of family fun and entertainment for our community. Thanks again from the College-Glen Neighborhood Association Board!!













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Celebrate the Holidays with the Sacramento SPCA

By Tracie Popma, Sacramento SPCA

Always looking for new ways to connect with the community to celebrate the human-animal bond, the Sacramento SPCA is heading into the holiday season by offering the following opportunities to join them.

Santa Paws Holiday Photo Sessions

November 9 and 10, 2013, 11am-5pm

Come to the Sacramento SPCA Adoptions Center for a wonderful opportunity to capture your holiday with photos of Santa and your two- and four-legged friends and family.

Fall Book & Boutique Sale

November 14-December 1, 2013

Stock up on good reads and gifts for friends and family all before the holidays begin! The book sale runs from November 14-17, while the boutique sale runs from November 14-December 1. Both sales are held at Country Club Plaza, 2310 Watt Ave., Sacramento, CA 95825.

Purrses for Pets

December 5, 2013, 6pm-8pm

Join us at Arden Hills Resort Club & Spa for an elegant evening of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, wine and desserts—all while shopping for purses, accessories and more!

Call Julianne Byer at 504-2868 for additional information on how you can sponsor and/or attend any one of these events

Brazilian Center for Cultural Exchange of Sacramento By Ana Boddy

Did you know there was a cultural center right here in the College-Glen neighborhood for the past 5 years? Well, there is. The Brazilian Center for Cultural Exchange of Sacramento, also known as BCCES, is a non-profit organization that by teaching dance, drumming and capoeira tries to keep the kids of College-Glen and Sacramento out of trouble. We have after school programs where we do some tutoring and teach the kids something fun, as well as some discipline. The BCCES embraces all cultures and helps not only kids but, all those in need of our help. We advocate for those in need, from translation to employment and even counseling.

As a non-profit organization we can use all the help we can get, from volunteers to donations. We have a multitude of ways in which you can help us continue servicing this community. To volunteer you can either call the center at 387-7344 or you can come and visit our location at 3313 Julliard Dr., Suite C, Sacramento. Or, you can do even better, and volunteer and donate. To donate to the BCCES, visit our website at www.braziliancentersac.org or send us a check.

The BCCES also offers Zumba, Belly Dance, Samba, Capoeira, Portuguese, English and drumming classes as ways to keep the doors open.

We also have a store that sells Brazilian products and we cater. Come and visit us to learn more!

Halloween Safety By Moira Little, State Farm Insurance

There's something scarier about Halloween than the costumes: It's the deadliest day for child pedestrian accidents. If you're going door-to-door:

- Always accompany young children.
- Exercise great caution during the "deadliest" hours: between 5 and 9 p.m. The study shows that the hour between 6 and 7 p.m. is especially dangerous for pedestrian accidents.
- Stick to neighborhoods with sidewalks. If you must walk on the street, keep to the far left, facing traffic.
- Practice safe crossing procedures: Use crosswalks; wait for corners; and look left, right and left again before crossing.
- Stick reflective tape onto costumes to make your child more visible. Also have him or her carry a flashlight.
- Make sure costumes and shoes are the correct size to prevent tripping. Use face paint and leave the masks at home: They can obstruct vision.
- If an older child is venturing out without supervision, ask that he or she go with a group, discuss the route and agree on a curfew. Give older kids cell phones so they can stay in touch.
- Avoid dark streets and visit well lit homes
- View your kids' loot before they eat it. Avoid homemade treats from people you don't know

If you're driving:

- Be alert for children and eliminate in-car distractions.
- Drive slowly.
- Practice extra caution at intersections and corners.
- Pull in and out of driveways carefully

If you're passing out treats at home:

- Keep your home brightly lit indoors and outside.
- Clear debris and other obstacles from your lawn, sidewalks and steps.
- Opt for battery-operated candles in jack-o'-lanterns or other areas where costumed trick-or-treaters might stand.
- Keep pets kenneled or in another room.

Sacramento Center for Innovation (SCI)

Specific Plan By: Remi Mendoza, Associate Planner and Tom Pace, Long Range Planning Manager

The City, in partnership with CSUS and the Power Inn Alliance is preparing the Sacramento Center for Innovation (SCI) Specific Plan that calls for the redevelopment of approximately 240 acres of land.

The plan area is located southeast of CSUS and west of the Granite Park Regional Park Development Area. The area is bounded by U.S. Highway 50 on the north, Union Pacific rail lines on the west, Power Inn Road on the east, and the Union Pacific rail crossing at Power Inn Road at the south.

The SCI Specific Plan implements the City of Sacramento's General Plan and serves as a tool to guide the orderly development of land in the plan area. The area is envisioned as a hub for innovative business and clean technology industries, and the Specific Plan establishes planning and development standards to realize this vision. The plan will guide land use, development standards, urban design, public facilities, utilities, and circulation improvements that are proposed in the Specific Plan area.

Public hearings on the Specific Plan are anticipated in November and December of 2013. The Draft SCI Specific Plan and additional project information is available on the web at: http://www.cityofsacramento.org/dsd/projects/innovation-technology-village-sp.cfm.

Real Estate Market Becoming More

Balanced By Linda Wood, Broker-Associate, Dunnigan, Realtors

School is back in session and Fall has arrived! We've just had our first rain of the season. I held an open house on this rainy day and had a steady group of visitors to the property. The rain did not keep people inside!

The real estate market seems to be working it's way towards a more balanced market. We are seeing more traditional sellers selling homes leading to increased inventory. This allows buyers to be able to buy their dream home without the frenzy of competition and multiple offers on every property. Well priced homes are selling quickly. Pricing and preparing your home for sale are critical in any market. Your Realtor will be able to advise and guide you throughout the process from preparing your home for sale through closing.

Our neighborhood continues to be one of Sacramento's most desirable areas. We are an established and well maintained area. We are centrally located with easy access to the American River Parkway, Downtown, freeways and CSUS. These are all reasons that I hear when people choose to buy homes or stay in College Glen. Thank you all for caring about our neighborhood!

According to data from Metrolist Services, Inc. there have been 85 single-family homes sold in College Glen from 1/1/13 - 9/15/13 at a median sale price of \$260,000.00 with an average of 20 days on the market. For the same period in 2012 there were 77 homes sold with a median sale price of \$225,000.00 with an average of 58 days on the market.

Budgeting Your Money in a Tough Economy

By Valorie G. Pruitt, Big Valley Federal Credit Union

Budgeting your money and staying in control of your finances is never easy, but the difficulty of it soars in a troubling economy. Here are some helpful tips to keep you on track:

Have an emergency fund. Try to save as much as you can for emergencies. Stash away at least three to six months worth of income, especially when the job market is weak.

Make every penny count. Even if saving a small amount of money may seem insignificant, it will add up in the long run. That \$4 mocha latte you have three times a week adds up to a whopping \$624 in one year!

Reduce debt. Pay off high-rate credit cards first, and then try not to put more purchases on them. Also look into refinancing high-rate loans to lower your payments and pay the bills off faster.

Search for deals. Comparison shop for small purchases as well as large. Scour ads closely and stock up on items you use frequently when they are on sale. Clip coupons – it will be worth the time you put into it.

Track your spending. Track monthly expenses with a detailed budget. This will immediately help you sort out what you need vs. what you want. If you need to cut back, you can decide which areas are the easiest to keep from spending. Continue to follow through with your budget and you'll be on the road to financial control.

Times are A-Changing!

By Jessica Hess, City of Sacramento Department of Utilities

Be sure to change your clocks and do a few other things on Sunday November 3.

It's easy to remember to change your clock when the time changes, but don't forget to change your sprinkler timer. Sacramento City Code changes with the time and limits watering to once a week. Sacramento residents and businesses can water anytime on Saturday or Sunday ONLY. There is no watering allowed on the weekdays during the wet winter months.

The City of Sacramento Department of Utilities Water Conservation offers free Water Wise House calls for residents and businesses. As part of the visit, the trained Water Conservation Specialists will help ensure that sprinkler timers are set correctly to comply with City code.

Spare the water, Sacramento! For more water conservation information, please visit www.SpareSacWater.com. For assistance in re-setting your sprinkler timer or to schedule a Water Wise House Call, please call 311 or 264-5011.

Election 2014: New Voting Laws Will Affect College-Glen's Representation

By Rebekah Cearley

Recent changes in election law will have a significant impact on College-Glen's representation at the State level.

The new open primaries law initiated by Proposition 14 (2010) will apply for the first time to College-Glen's Senate seat in 2014. Qualified candidates of all parties appear on a single, combined primary ballot, and voters may vote for any candidate. The top two vote-getters, regardless of party, advance to the November general election for a run-off, where two candidates from the same party could face one another. This process applies to state officials, including the Governor, members of the state legislature, and others, plus members of the U.S. Congress.

On the June 2014 primary ballot, College-Glen voters may have to choose between two Senate candidates who have previously represented College-Glen in the Assembly. Assembly Members Roger Dickinson and Richard Pan, both Democrats, are exploring runs in Senate District 6, which is currently represented by Senator Darrell Steinberg. If they both run, they will face off under the new open primaries law. College-Glen is currently represented by Assembly Member Roger Dickinson (AD 7) while Assembly Member Pan serves the southern Sacramento region (AD 9).

A new term limits law will also have a major impact. Proposition 28 (2012) reduced the maximum number of years a state legislator may serve from 14 to 12, but permits a member to serve the full number of years in the same house. Previously, legislators were capped at serving eight years in the state Senate and six years in the Assembly. Therefore, it is possible that whoever wins the 2014 Assembly District 7 election could remain in that office until 2026!

The Claw Returns!



Yard waste pick-up by the claw runs from November 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014.

Bancroft's Lunch Waste Recycles into Natural Gas

Bancroft students are participating in California's effort to convert waste-to-energy. Currently, Atlas Disposal is processing all of Bancroft students' lunch waste at the County's previous South Area Transfer Station location on Fruitridge and Florin-Perkins Road. Atlas has a clean air partnership with Clean World, BioCNG, and Clean Energy. They are hopeful that this opportunity will translate in to a future of economic and ecologic sustainability for Sacramento and California. The program is designed to assist California in its goal of reducing pollution by converting waste products into renewable forms of energy. At the Atlas facility, the goal is to take organic waste products that would otherwise go into a landfill and feed it into their anaerobic digester. The digester converts the waste products to natural gas which is used to power public and private vehicles previously powered by diesel fuel.

Currently the Atlas digester is processing 25 tons a day with a capacity of 100 tons a day. Approximately two to three tons of food waste will produce 50 gallons of gas. For the past two years the CGNA has been working with Atlas Disposal, the Bancroft Elementary School students, administration, faculty, and staff to sort and deliver the school's food waste to the Atlas digester. The left over fruits, vegetables, meat, dairy, soiled paper and other materials are being processed into reusable forms thereby reducing pollution. According to Atlas, 60 percent of what was collected at Bancroft went to the anaerobic digester and was processed into a compressed natural gas to power Atlas trucks the other 40 percent was recycled for other uses. Atlas Disposal and other supporters of the anaerobic digestion and renewable energy programs hope that their project can become a model to document the benefits of clean air partnerships between private and public entities. The Association is pleased to be part of this process and thanks Atlas for their effort to develop the waste-to-energy program.

Leaf Season Starts November 1 for Residential Yard Waste Collection

By Doug Huston, Recycling and Solid Waste Division

City of Sacramento residential customers can legally place yard waste piles in the street for collection during the City's designated leaf season of November, December and January. The first day yard waste piles can be placed on the street for collection is Friday, November 1, 2013. The last day piles can be placed on the street will be Friday, January 31, 2014.

Weekly yard waste container collection will continue yearround on your regular collection day. Leaf pile pickup typically occurs every 7 to 10 days and will usually not occur on your regular collection day.

The City encourages residents to use the container first then create a pile. By using the container along with the pile crews can clear streets faster and the Claw may come through your neighborhood more frequently.

Claw Schedule

Pile collection by the Claw is unpredictable and varies due to weather and the amount of material on the streets. City crews work rain or shine six-days-a-week, including holidays. Stormy weather or days with high volume piles in one neighborhood may impact the speed of clearing an area and moving to the next neighborhood.

From October 28th 2013 through January 31, 2014 customers can get an estimate of when pile collection will occur in their neighborhood by visiting www.sacrecycle.org or calling 311. A new Address Search feature will give users the last day that piles were collected on their street, and an estimate of when the Claw will return for the next pile pickup.

For more information visit www.sacrecycle.org

Need A Recycle Week Reminder?

By Doug Huston, Recycling and Solid Waste Division

Can't remember if it's your week to put out your blue recycling container? Here are a few options to help you out.

- First thing you should know is that the College-Glen neighborhood is "B" Week.
- You can download the Sacramento 311 App (available for both iPhone and Android) where you can set-up a Recycle Day Reminder that will be sent to you by text, email, or both.
- Put the Recycle Week Magnet that you will find in this newsletter on your refrigerator and keep watch for recycling days.
- Weekly reminders are also posted on our Facebook page. www.facebook.com/SacRecycle.
- You can also call 311 directly. They are available 24/7!

Have too much recycling? If you haven't already we would encourage you to break down your boxes and crush your cans to try to save space. Also make sure you have the largest recycling container as there is no difference in price between the 64 and 96 gallon sizes. We have heard that some neighbors work together to share space in their containers on collection day. If you regularly fill your recycling container every week you can request an additional container for just \$1.76 per month by calling 311.

For more information go to www.SacRecycle.org

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Area Solid Waste Services

City of Sacramento

Sacramento Transfer Station, 8491 Fruitridge Road

- Year Round Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Drop Off Service for less than 15 gallons or 125 pounds of waste per visit
 - Home-generated sharps are charged \$3.40 per pound. No Appointment Necessary
 - 8491 Fruitridge Road, 8:00 am 5:00 pm Tue Sat only
- One-Free Self-Haul-Dump per Household per Calendar year For Household Goods/Construction Debris/Green Waste Up to 5 cubic yards of goods – additional charge over 5 yards Use the 84th Street Entrance @ Sacramento Transfer Station 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Monday – Saturday Call 311 or 264-5011 to request Dump coupon
- One-Free Curb Side Pick-Up per Household per Calendar year

Service available February 1 thru October 31st. For Household Goods/Construction Debris/Green Waste Call 311 or 264-5011 to request your free appointment Additional City Service \$125.50 per collection

- Green Waste Curbside Container Service
 Once a week year-round
 With supplemental loose-in-the street collection
 November 1st thru January 31st
- Wet Garbage Container Service Once a week year-round
- Recycling

Pick-up every other week

Area Collection week-B: See enclosed Recycle Week Magnet

Disposal and Recycling Alternatives

- Bancroft Paper-to-Paper Recycling/Donation Program Donate your Paper/Aluminum/Plastic bottles Dumpster open 24/7 - 365 days/year Parking Lot at 2929 Belmar Street
- L & D Landfill

Accepts Household Goods/Construction Debris/Green Waste \$ 10/yard with \$20 min or about \$20 per pick-up/trailer load 8635 Fruitridge Road just east of Florin-Perkins Monday – Friday 6:30 am – 4:30 pm Saturday 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Closed Sunday

Recycling Industries

Redemption value for all CRV: Aluminum, Plastic Bottles, Glass,

Office Paper, Newspaper, Magazines, Corrugated Cardboard and other paper goods.

Free E-waste drop off and Confidential Document Destruction @ 130 lbs for \$20.

3300 Power Inn Road @ Cucamonga Way Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday 7:00 am – 2:00 pm Closed Sundays

Landscaping for Glenbrook Easement

Since the mid 1990s the CGNA has been suggesting the establishment of a garden under the Western Power Authority power lines encompassing the Glenbrook Park River Access. This park would feature plants similar to those found in College Greens and Glenbrook gardens primarily Rhododendrons, Camellias, and Azaleas (RCA). The Association suggested low-level trees to shade the plants and a meandering decomposed granite-walking path to section off small adjacent gardens along the easement between the American River and La Riviera Drive. The Association also suggested the use of decomposed granite and compacted soil around the plants with automatic bubblers to reduce maintenance and conserve water. However, Councilmember McCarty and the City staff have consistently declined to support the Association proposal instead insisting on the use of drought resistant plants and placing the responsibility of garden maintenance on the Association.

The Association believes that a drought resistant garden is not representative of our community and would require a level of maintenance that is beyond what the City can reliably provide or what the Association can be expected to offer or even supplement. The Association cites the landscaping along the north side of Folsom Boulevard at Power Inn/Howe Avenue as an example of drought resistant plants being used in public places without regular maintenance. The landscaping is overgrown by weeds and is both unattractive and infringing on the pedestrian walking area.

The Association has advised Councilmember Kevin McCarty that they do not support a drought resistant garden. In addition, the CGNA has expressed concern regarding the City's ability to provide adequate maintenance to appropriately care for a drought resistant garden. The Association will continue to support an RCA neighborhood garden.





Overgrown drought resistant landscaping at Folsom Boulevard and Power Inn/Howe Avenue.

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Association Supports City's Sign Ordinance

In 2012, the Power Inn Alliance distributed a flyer to their membership that included a photo citing the signage on Folsom Boulevard at Julliard Drive, as a classic example of "advertising overload." Subsequently, the CGNA shared the flyer with area businesses and most agreed to voluntarily remove all signs that were not in compliance with the City of Sacramento's sign ordinance. However, some business owners on the south side of Folsom Boulevard were less receptive to the request. Got Muscle has taken issue with the City's sign ordinance and as a result the City has suspended their current ordinance until the dispute is resolved.

What does this mean to our community? Since the suspension of the City's sign ordinance, Got Muscle has placed four "A" frame signs in front of their store in addition to their window signs. There are over 50 storefronts on the north side of Folsom Boulevard between Notre Dame and Julliard. If each business put four signs out similar to how Got Muscle has on their frontage stretch, the area between Julliard and Notre Dame along the north side of Folsom could have as many as 200 flapping banners, pennants, streamers and "A" frame signs and the City would have no means of dealing with the clutter and related visual blight.

The Association concurs with the Power Inn Alliance's observation that the advertising overload clutters up a neighborhood and believes that our community is better served by sign limits. As such, the Association is opposing the suspension of the City's current sign ordinance on the basis that the residents have a right to an uncluttered and visually appealing community.

Dog Walkers - Keep your Dogs Leased for their Safety and the Safety of Others!

The Association has been asked to remind dog owners to please keep their dogs on a leash when working in their front yard as well as when walking your dog around the neighborhood. A resident was walking their dog through the neighborhood when an unleashed dog came up and attacked it. In this case the unleashed dog left its yard in order to attack the dog being walked on a leash. As the Association understands the leash law, residents may have their dogs off-leash in their front yard provided the animal does not leave the yard. If the animal does leaves the yard, unleashed, the owner can be charged, and is liable for any damage resulting from the failure to keep the animal leashed. Also, please remember to pick-up after your pet/s.

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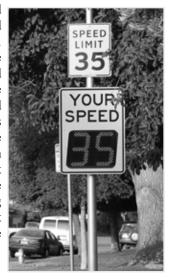


The Folsom Blvd and Julliard intersection before and after enforcement of the City's sign ordinance.

Flashing Speed Monitors on La Riviera

If you have not already noticed Sacramento City Traffic has installed two flashing speed monitors on La Riviera Drive between Lido Circle and Occidental Drive. Initially, only the monitor at the west end of

La Riviera had a speed limit sign mounted the with monitor. Subsequently, the City added a speed limit sign above the monitor at the east end following observations by residents that the west monitor with the posted speed limit appeared to be more effective at slowing traffic than the one at the east end absent the posted speed limit.



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CGNA Appreciation BBQ for Volunteers

During the course of the year we call on our neighbors to assist with a number of activities and events. Our news distributors are key to our ability communicate with the almost 3,000 residential homes within our Association boundaries. Their hand distribution of our newsletter saves the Association over \$7,000 a year in postage and handling fees. Other volunteers help with Jazz in the Park, National Family Night Out and community forums. To show our appreciation for their ongoing support the Association hosted a barbeque for the volunteers and their families. Jason Deglow was in charge of the BBQ and everyone was treated to a relaxing evening visiting. The fire fighters from Station 60 were able to join us for dinner between service calls. Thanks again to our many volunteers. We would not be able to serve our community as we do without your support.







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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