

### 2014 CGNA Annual Meeting & Candidate Forum

The College-Glen Neighborhood Association will be hosting their annual meeting on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm at the Station 60 Fire House, 3301 Julliard Drive (across from Raley's). Light refreshments will be served starting at 6:30pm with socializing and a review of photos from the year's events. In addition to the basic CGNA election, annual report, and community up-date, the Association has invited Roger Dickinson and Richard Pan candidates for State Senate District 6; Steve Cohn and Kevin McCarty candidates for State Assembly District 7, Carl Burton, Greg Fishman, and Mario Guerrero candidates for SMUD Board Ward 3 and Ellen Cochran and Jeff Cuneo candidates for SCUSD Trustee Area 2, to take 2 to 3 minutes to introduce themselves and share their primary goals with those in attendance. We have also invited representatives from both sides of Measure L, the Strong Mayor Initiative, to speak on this important local issue.

In addition to those seeking to represent us, we will have current representatives from the SCUSD, Christina Pritchett & Jeff Cuneo; Sacramento County School District, Greg Geeting, Jacquelyn Levy and Tomaysa Glover; City Council, Kevin McCarty; State Assembly, Roger Dickinson; CSUS, Robert Dugan; City Police Lieutenants Alisa Buckley and Glen Faulkner; and Fire Captain Hooman Ghazanfari to bring us up to date on current issues. In an effort to insure that we are able to give everyone time on the agenda and still have time for our traditional Q & A and the end of the meeting the Association will start their annual report at 6:45 pm.

If you have an issue or concern that you would like to have addressed in the annual report please submit that issue to the CGNA Board via e-mail to cgna@collegeglen.org or U.S. mail at CGNA, P.O. Box 276474, Sacramento, CA 95827 before October 15, 2014. We will attempt to incorporate your issue into our annual report. 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 for the agenda.

Included in this news distribution is our annual vote card. Please return the vote card via U.S. mail or bring it with you to the CGNA Annual Meeting.

### **Meeting Agenda**

Subject to change

- · Meet and greet with refreshments
- · CGNA officer elections
- Election 2014 Candidates & Issues
  - Senate District 6
  - Assembly District 7
  - SCUSD Trustee Area 2
  - SMUD Ward 3
  - Measure L
- Sac PD Lieutenants Buckley & Faulkner
- Sac Fire Captain Ghazanfari
- Illegal Camping
- · Fraternity Activities
- SCUSD Trustees Pritchett & Cuneo
- SCOE Trustees Getting, Levy & Glover
- Councilmember McCarty
- Assemblymember Dickinson
- O&A

# CGNA Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 23, 2014 6:30-8:30pm

Station 60 Firehouse, 3301 Julliard Drive

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### **Back to School**

The first day of school is possibly the most exciting day of the school year for students, parents and staff. For the kindergarteners it is the true beginning of their academic life. For the 1st graders, they leave the protective environment of kindergarten and enter the first phase of academic independence and responsibility. For the older students it's all about moving on, catching up with old friends, starting friendships with new classmates, and adjusting to the policies and procedures of a new teacher.

















#### **Toddler and Pre-School Openings Limited**

The Pre-School and Toddler programs housed at the Thomas Jefferson site and operated out of the Sacramento City Unified School District's McClaskey Adult Center continue to be popular with local parents. The morning pre-school class for 3 and 4 year olds is closed with a waiting list while 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 pre-school programs please contact Sue Gilmore, at 277-6625 or contact teacher Ms. Paula at 247-3335 or 382-5963.

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#### Bancroft's Early-Kinder Program in High Demand

For the third straight year the Bancroft Early-Kinder program is maxed out! It is clear that many area parents support this program and are eager to have their child participate. The program is academically oriented with a pre-kindergarten English Language Arts and mathematics curriculum designed to enhance basic academic skills and build a strong foundation to help students' transition into the District's traditional kindergarten program. The Bancroft program is currently housed at the Thomas Jefferson site on Citadel Way in the College-Greens area and has 24 students enrolled.





#### **Greetings from Rosemont High School!**

By Elizabeth Vigil, Principal, Rosemont High School

I'm excited to share that we've had an outstanding opening of school and look forward to a great 2014-15 school year! Our campus looks beautiful and both students and staff are ready for the work ahead. Our mission is building a world-class high school right here in Rosemont that reflects the high expectations of our community. Through a commitment to a positive school culture, high-quality instruction and effective communication between our school and our families, Rosemont High School will prepare all students for any post-secondary path they choose.

Enrichment is also a focus for 2014-15. We have redesigned our Speech and Debate program, including intensive coaching support and membership in the newly formed Sacramento Urban Debate League. Our students will compete in parliamentary debate throughout the year – including a citywide debate tournament to be held at Rosemont in October. The Sacramento Theater Company has partnered with Rosemont and Albert Einstein Middle School to support a state-of-the-art drama program at both sites. We have also brought Robotics to our after-school program – a rigorous and engaging activity for our future scientists and mathematicians! We have also added several highly respected coaches to our sports staff – all of whom are dedicated to the development of student athletes - with a focus on "students." Our boys' soccer team has already won a championship trophy and our football team recently played their first game on our new turf track and field. All of our teams are geared up for a phenomenal season.

Thanks to our amazing staff and students, great things are ahead at Rosemont. We'll keep you informed. Go wolverines!!

### St. Francis Seniors Meet National Merit Scholarship Requirements By Raquel Sampognaro

St. Francis Catholic High School is proud to announce that eleven seniors have met the requirements for the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program: Camerin C. Cunningham, Kristienne A. Edrosolan, Marissa L. Gollnick, Bailey T. Jones, Caroline G. Leszinske, Alexandra N. Pachter, Hannah Page, India C. Rangel, Benite I. Rutaganira, Mallory L. Shingle, and Ofir Suchard.

Of the 1.5 million entrants in the 2013 National Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) and by meeting published program entry/participation requirements, these 11 students are among the 50,000 high scorers nationwide. Approximately 15,000 students eventually become Finalists in the competition for Merit Scholarship Awards.

Officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced the names of approximately 16,000 Semifinalists in the 60th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,600 National Merit Scholarships worth about \$33 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. St. Francis Catholic High School is pleased to announce that Bailey T. Jones is a Semifinalist in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Competition and she represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors who earned this distinction.

Congratulations to all our seniors and special kudos to Bailey T. Jones for her academic success!

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#### **New School Year, New Ideas**

By Jeff Cuneo, Area 2 Trustee SCUSD

These last months have seen our new Superintendent, Jose Banda, take over as leader of our school district. I supported Mr. Banda during the interview and hiring process. I believe that he is a gifted educational leader who will bring a renewed spirit of collaboration to the district.

I recently had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Banda. I came away confident that he is the right leader at this time. He is dedicated to enriching the educational lives of all children. He has a proven track record of working well with different constituent groups and community organizations. He understands the vital role that parents play in their child's education and is dedicated to focusing on parent engagement.

Locally, beginning this school year, Kit Carson added a 9th grade class to its previous 7-8 configuration. As you know, Kit Carson is transitioning into an International Baccalaureate 7-12 program. This educational program is a great option for our local students and parents. I personally visited the school on opening day and there is a palpable sense of excitement around this new direction. I will continue working with the community in developing this innovative school.

This school year will bring a new set of challenges. But as your school board member, I will continue to prioritize the interests of our students. I will work with our community to ensure our students are college and career ready, increase opportunities for parent engagement, and create new partnerships at our local schools. Email jeff4schoolboard.com.

#### **Career Education for All Students**

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

One of the most important functions of our public education system is to help prepare students for careers. Some students know exactly what career they want to pursue and others aren't even sure what may suit their interests and talents.

That is why the Capital Region Academies for the Next Economy (aka CRANE) is such an exciting new program. Grant funding will bring the business and education communities together to help students choose one of six sectors that are predicted to be sources of good jobs in the greater Sacramento region over the next 20 years: Agricultural, Food Production and Natural Resources; Advanced Manufacturing; Construction and Energy; Engineering; Life and Health Sciences; and Information and Communication Technologies.

Starting in middle school, students will research various careers and create an initial career portfolio. In the 9<sup>th</sup> grade they will tour at least 2 different industries, take a technical course in an area they choose, and continue to do career exploration. In 10<sup>th</sup> grade they may integrate their academic and technical courses (for example—Construction Geometry), expand their electronic career portfolio, and participate in at least two job shadows. Starting in 11<sup>th</sup> grade they will participate in internships or other advanced work-based learning and receive college and career counseling. And in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade, they may have opportunities to enroll in college classes (dual enrollment), continue their internships, and complete their college and career portfolio.

When students understand that what they are learning in school will help them get a better job, they are more likely to value their education and focus on their future goals.

### **SCOE Mentoring Program Seeks Volunteers**

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

Sacramento County Office of Education's LINKS Mentoring Program continues to seek adult volunteers to serve as positive role models for high school students for one hour a week. Though the program began in early September, additional mentors are welcome during the school year.

Being a mentor does not require special skill. The mentor's purpose is to listen to, encourage, and share life experiences with assigned youth. Prospective mentors receive training before participating. Qualifying mentors are asked to commit for at least one semester.

Typical mentoring sessions incorporate both individual and group activities. The weekly sessions take place on a scheduled day and time, determined by individual schools. SCOE staff facilitate the structured sessions, organize the activities involved, and provide materials and support.

During the school year, mentors help the youths:

- Plan for the future
- · Develop interpersonal and life skills
- Understand personal finance and money management
- Explore careers and refine job-seeking skills
- Identify and participate in community service and service learning
- · Make commitments to health and wellness

The LINKS Mentoring Program operates at two school sites:

- Elinor Lincoln Hickey Jr./Sr. High School (SCOE), 2040 Ethan Way, Sacramento, 95825
- Calvine High School (Elk Grove Unified School District), 8333 Vintage Park Drive, Sacramento, 95828

SCOE is also interested in forming partnerships with businesses that would support their employees in volunteering as mentors for the weekly sessions.

For more information, please contact Lindsay Cathcart Pennetta at 916-228-2565 or lcathcart@scoe.net. The mentoring application is available at scoe.net/links/mentoring/multimedia/links mentor application.pdf.

#### Join the Girl Scouts!

Girl Scouts make new friends, try new things, and improve their neighborhood! Girl Scouts are divided into grade levels and open to girls in kindergarten through 12th grade.

For more information, please contact Joanna at 453-5248 or Joanna. Morris@girlscoutshcc.org.

### Join the Boy Scouts!

Cub Scout pack 383 is for ages 6-10 (exiting Kindergarten through 5th grade). Boy Scout Troop 394 is for ages 11-18 (6th grade and above). We also have a Crew 808 group that is for 14-21 year olds and is for both boys and girls.

Please let us know which group you are interested in joining! Contact pack383membership@gmail.com or call Jeni Diaz at 382-2383.

#### It's all about Relationships

By Lisa Levasseur, PTHVP Project Director

The Parent Teacher Home Visit Project (PTHVP), a national non-profit located in Sacramento, focuses on building trust between schools and their students' families. The extraordinary partnership between Sacramento ACT, SCTA teachers union and the Sacramento school district allows K-12th grade teachers to do just this. The program originally started in Sacramento in 1998. PTHVP is currently in 38 schools in Sacramento and active in 17 states.

PTHVP's model is simple; teachers and parents come together outside the school to build trust and form a relationship where they share dreams, expectations and experiences. Many schools in the College Greens area participate in this program, which studies show improves attendance, behavior and academics. For example, Dr. Eister, principal at Golden Empire, has seen results. "There is nothing more powerful than having excellent communication between the students' teacher and family—and home visits allow this to happen so effectively!" The teachers at Hubert Bancroft School are participating in the program for the first time this year. Principal Flores says his teachers are excited about making connections outside the classroom. "Letting children know the adults in their life want to help them succeed can make a huge difference." Teachers and parents love the visits. Mrs. Randazzo, a local teacher reports, "When students feel supported, encouraged, and empowered, they perform better in school. Students love seeing their teachers walk up to their front doors!" To learn more go to: www.pthvp.org.

### Support Our Elementary School by Recycling at Bancroft

The reduced collection days for recycled goods has brought two noticeable changes. First, there seems to be a reduction in the number of scavengers going through our blue bins on recycle days. Second, there has been an increase in the number of residents taking advantage of the Yellow Recycle Bin in the Bancroft parking lot. The Bancroft students, parents, and staff want to remind you that the bin is available 365 days a year 24 - 7 to provide for your recycling of paper, cardboard, plastic bottles and aluminum cans. Community members are encouraged to bring their newsprint, office paper, shipping boxes, magazines, telephone books and all other paper goods (please no styrofoam) to the Big Yellow Recycling Bin. In doing so you are helping our local elementary school with their financial needs by supporting their Paper-for-Paper program. The program is designed to help pay for paper products used by the staff for the academic needs of our neighborhood youth.



### Sacramento County Teachers of the Year 2015 Announced

By David W. Gordon, Sac Co Superintendent of Schools

Two high school English teachers, one from the San Juan Unified School District and one from the River Delta Unified School District, are the Sacramento County Teachers of the Year 2015. The Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) made the announcement August 15 at a county-wide teacher recognition dinner.

Michelle Bebout teaches a 9th through 11th grade English, at Casa Roble High School in San Juan Unified. Jennifer Walker teaches English and AP English at both Clarksburg Middle School and Delta High School in River Delta Unified.

Both teachers are AVID certified instructors. AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is an elective and school wide system which promotes increased college eligibility and access to rigorous curriculum offering students a clear-cut path to college, beginning in middle school.

All 16 Sacramento area teachers will be honored during special Teacher Appreciation Nights hosted by both the Sacramento Kings and the Sacramento River Cats. Dates and times are to be announced.

Michelle and Jennifer are now eligible to advance to the statewide competition, out of which five teachers will be chosen as California Teachers of the Year. Their names, and that of the individual selected as the state's nominee to the National Teacher of the Year program, will be announced later in the



fall by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson.

The SCOE Teachers of the Year Program is presented in partnership with the Sacramento Kings, the Sacramento River Cats, and the Sacramento Scottish Rite Bodies of Freemasonry.

### **Guide to the Candidates** 2014 General Election

Editor's note: All candidates were invited to provide an individual photo and 75 word statement for inclusion in this CGNA publication. Statements exceding 75 words were truncated by removing the last sentence until the statement was no more than 75 words. The order in which contests and candidates are listed was determined by a random draw.

# Candidates for **State Insurance Commissioner**



#### Dave Jones (D)

Insurance Commissioner Dave Jones has saved consumers \$1.67 billion by ratcheting down insurance rates. He worked to provide health insurance to millions of uninsured Californians.

His department has made over 2,450 arrests for fraud. He has helped prosecute criminals who prey on

elders, and has recovered over \$207 million for consumers from insurance companies.

In 2010, Californians elected Jones to fight for consumers and he will continue to do so if re-elected in 2014.

www.DaveJones2014.com.

Candidate for State Insurance Commissioner Ted Gaines (R) did not submit either a 75 word statement or photo.

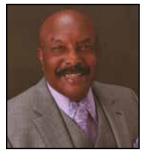
# Candidates for **U.S. Representative, District 6**



### Doris Matsui (D)

I have been honored to represent Sacramento in the United States Congress and have helped our region realize higher levels of flood protection and reasonable flood insurance rates; affordable and accessible health care and mental health services for all; forward thinking high tech and clean tech jobs; transportation systems that

are efficient; improved oversight of consumer rights and help for our veterans who return home after serving our country so well.



### Joseph McCray Sr. (R)

As a retired Military Officer and highly successful small businessman, I have devoted my life to serving others. I'll take a stand for a strong Defense, improving the existing Flood Control plan, and reforming California's education system. The decline in high school graduates and students not moving on to college greatly concerns

# Candidates for **State Senate, District 6**



### Roger Dickinson (D)

Increasingly, our state budget has prioritized trying to fix things after they are broken. In the legislature, I'm committed to investing in prevention and education which will bring us better outcomes for our communities and better returns on taxpayer dollars. I want every child to have the opportunity pursue their dreams. I am proud of my

public service record and involvement in the community and I humbly ask for your vote.



### Richard Pan (D)

I am a pediatrician, not a politician. My highest priority is making the necessary investments in our children's education, health and wellbeing. I will bring the same values I instilled in my students as an educator and will continue to fight for these priorities in the State Senate. I have dedicated my life to ensuring quality health care

to my patients and promoting healthy communities. With your support, we can continue building a healthier Sacramento.

### Tuesday, November 4, 2014



Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Register to Vote by October 20, 2014 For voting information call: 875-6451

www.elections.saccounty.net

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# Candidates for **State Assembly, District 7**



### Steve Cohn (D)

You have a choice in this election. I hope you'll choose a proven consensus builder. We need more of them in the Legislature, don't you agree?

The Sacramento Bee endorsed me this Spring saying, "He has disagreed with colleagues without being disagreeable, a trait that would come in handy in the Legislature."

As your State Assemblymember I'll focus on job creation, fiscal responsibility and investing in education. For more information please visit www.stevecohnassembly.com.



### **Kevin McCarty (D)**

I've worked hard to be a thoughtful and effective Councilmember. I've been unafraid to ask the tough questions on issues like the downtown arena subsidy and pension reform. For two decades, I've worked on education issues, and I have two girls entering Kindergarten this year. Improving our education system for our 21st

century economy is my top priority. I hope you'll join our Doctors, Realtors, Taxpayer Advocates, Teachers, Nurses, and Environmentalists in supporting my candidacy.

## Candidates for **SCUSD Trustee Area 2**



#### **Ellen Cochrane**

Nobody knows better than parents what their kids need. And nobody knows better than teachers on the front lines every day what students need to succeed. I'll work in partnership with teachers and parents to make decisions about our schools. I'm a public school teacher and a life-long resident of Area Two. I want to take the politics out

of the classroom and give students what they need. I would be honored to represent you.



### **Jeffrey Cuneo**

It has been a privilege representing you as your neighborhood's School Board Member since being elected in 2010. Together, we created a higher achieving, more accountable and student-focused school district. I am a parent personally invested in the future of our schools. I will continue to work collaboratively with teachers,

parents and my community. I will always listen to the concerns of parents and community members and ask myself, "What is best for our students?"

### **Measure L- Sacramento Charter Revision**

"Shall the City of Sacramento Charter be revised, on a trial basis, to establish: a mayor-council governance structure wherein the elected mayor oversees city operations and a budget subject to Council approval and override; an Ethics Committee; Code of Ethics and Sunshine Ordinances; an Independent Budget Analyst Office; a Neighborhood Advisory Committee; an Independent Redistricting Commission; and a three-term limit for mayors; with most provisions subject to voter reapproval by 11/03/2020?"

### Statement in Opposition of L

No on L

Measure L weakens the neighborhood voice at city hall. It's a power grab that puts too much power in one person's hand and reduces the power of the city council. It removes the mayor from the council but allows mayors to veto decisions in private without hearing public testimony. Professional city management will become political. Big money and special interests would be in control.

Reject this power grab and vote L NO!

### Statement in Favor of L

Measure L modernizes the City Charter with mayor-council governance and a package of ethics reforms to increase accountability and transparency at City Hall. San Francisco, San Diego and other major California cities have changed to mayor-council governance. Why? Because it works! When he was a Mayor, Governor Jerry Brown championed modernizing City government in the same way Measure L proposes. Why? So he could balance the budget, create jobs, and reduce crime without bureaucratic roadblocks.

## Candidates for **SMUD Board, Ward 3**



#### **Mario Guerrero**

As your SMUD representative, I will work tirelessly to provide reliable, affordable power to you. My service in the Marine Corps taught me how to work hard, and as a policy advocate I learned how to cut through government

red tape to get things done. You deserve improved air quality and easy access to low-cost energy programs. I believe in empowering communities and I will demand accountability and transparency with all SMUD Board decisions.



#### **Carl Burton**

SMUD belongs to you and if you elect me, you WILL have a say in how SMUD operates.

If you elect me to the SMUD board I will:

·Advocate a pro ratepayer environment.

·Insist on safe and

reliable energy sources that help create jobs.

·Help SMUD improve our environment.

I want to see YOUR SMUD bill as low as possible. Vote for Burton and vote for a better local economy. My web site is http://www.carlburton.com



### **Gregg Fishman**

My name is Gregg Fishman. I am running for the SMUD Board because I have 14 years of direct hands-on experience in the energy field, and a history of community service in Sacramento. I am on the Arden Park Recreation

and Park Board, and I coordinate a community tree program that has planted more than 1,800 new trees. I am the only candidate in Ward 3 with that experience, knowledge and commitment to community.

### Capitol Update: November Election & Key Legislation By Rebekah Cearley

A number of important races and measures are up for consideration on the November 4, 2014 ballot. Under the new top-two primary system, some contests will feature two candidates from the same party. Significant races include:

- Governor: Incumbent Jerry Brown (D) vs. challenger Neel Kashkari (R).
- Insurance Commissioner: Two former state legislators from the Sacramento region face off. Incumbent Dave Jones (D) vs. Ted Gaines (R).
- Assembly District 7: Two Democrats fight to join the state Assembly.
   Kevin McCarty (College-Glen's current city council member) vs.
   Steve Cohn (city council member from District 3).
- Senate District 6: Two Democrats serving in the state Assembly face off to replace termed-out Senator Darrell Steinberg. Roger Dickinson (College-Glen's current state Assembly representative) vs. Richard Pan (AD 9 in South Sacramento).

Voters must decide whether or not to support a number of initiatives, including the following:

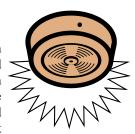
- Proposition 1 A \$7.5 billion water bond to fund water supply, watershed protection/restoration, groundwater/surface water quality, and flood protection.
- Proposition 45 Requires changes to health insurance rates to be approved by the Insurance Commissioner (does not apply to employer large group plans).

For more information, see the Voter Guide at http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/statewide-elections/2014-general.

At the end of August, the state Legislature completed its work for the year, and hundreds of bills are now awaiting the Governor's action. One significant bill, SB 270, would prohibit single-use plastic bags at grocery stores and other retailers. Stores would have the option of selling recycled paper bags or reusable bags for a minimum of ten cents each. The Governor has indicated that he will likely sign the bill, which would go into effect on July 1, 2015.

### Time to Replace Your Alarm Batteries and Fire Extinguishers

Captain Hooman Ghazanfari from Fire Station 60 reminds residents that it is time to test and replace the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. If you do not have a fire extinguisher in the kitchen and garage you should add that to your safety list. The Fire Department



recommends that you error on the safe side and consider the functional life of a fire extinguisher to be one to two years. Over time, the chemicals in the extinguisher settle to the bottom making the unit ineffective for fighting fires. If a unit is more than three years old it may still be functional but it most likely will not be effective in extinguishing a fire. If you have a fireplace, have it checked regularly and have fire extinguishers close at hand. While the Fire Department recommends periodic replacement of extinguishers, they encourage fire prevention over fire fighting.

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### The Claw Returns! Loose-in-the-Street Pick-Up Resumes November 1st

Starting November 1st City residential customers may legally place yard waste piles in the street for collection. The City's designated leaf season runs from November through January. The city program goal is to provide street pick-up at least every 7 to 10 days. At the same time the city advises that loose-in-the street pick-up will not necessarily occur on our regular collection day.

The city is encouraging everyone to use the container first before creating a pile. The City believes crews can clear streets faster and the Claw may come through your neighborhood more frequently through using the container and a pile.

The City cautions that street pick-up may be unpredictable due to weather and the volume of material on the streets. City crews will work six-days-a week, rain or shine, including holidays. Heavy rain and wind or days with high volume piles in one neighborhood may effect the speed of clearing an area and moving to the next neighborhood.

Starting the last week in October through the end of January customers will be able to get an estimate on when street collection will occur again



in their neighborhood by visiting www.sacrecycle.org or calling 311. The address search feature should be able to give users the last day that piles were collected on their street, and an estimate of when the next pickup will occur. For more information visit www.sacrecycle.org.

### Winter Watering Rules are Coming!

When you reset your clocks on November 2, don't forget to reset your sprinkler timers to comply with the City's Winter Watering Rules. Effective November 2, Sacramento water users can water one day per week, on Saturday or Sunday only.

"Even a very wet winter may not make up all the water we need to

bring us out of a drought. Luckily, cooler weather brings with it a great opportunity to save water," said William Granger, Water Conservation Administrator for the City of Sacramento Department of Utilities. "Even in September, customers should begin to shorten their watering times as the temperatures drop and the sun sets earlier. Every minute that your sprinklers are off is water saved!"

Other tips to help customers save water this fall include:

Turn off sprinklers when the rain returns to the area or if there is rain in the forecast.

Use a broom or rake to move leaves off of sidewalks, driveways, and streets.

Consider installing a rain sensor to irrigation systems to help ensure that sprinklers stay off when the rain returns.

More information about ways to save water can be found at www.SpareSacWater.org.

### **Real Estate Update**

By Linda Wood, Broker-Associate, Dunnigan, Realtors

September is "Realtor Safety Month." Realtors are reminded that we need to be aware and pay close attention to safety. You may not think of Real Estate as a high-risk career, however, agents are often in situations where we are vulnerable, uncomfortable and in some sort of danger. This most often happens when an agent finds themselves alone with a stranger. This is only one reason that we love working with referred clients! Sellers are also advised to lock away valuables while their home is being shown. If your home is listed for sale with a Realtor, you should not open your door to show the home to someone that just happens to come by and wants to see the house. Appointments should be made in advance and agents may utilize a lockbox system that records

We are starting to see a more balanced market. Inventory has increased in Sacramento County. According to TrendVision, there were 3450 homes for sale in Sacramento County August 2014 vs. 2675 in August 2013. The market continues to be competitive for homes that are priced well and that show at their best!

According to data from Metrolist Services, Inc. there were 71 homes sold in College Glen in 2014 as of August 31, 2014, at a median price of \$279,000 and 7 condos at a median price of \$144,536. For comparison, there were 81 homes sold for the same period in 2013 at a median price of \$260,000 and 9 condos at a median price of \$130,250.

### **Code Enforcement at Oki Park During Special Events**

Park users beware! In particular, those using the west end of Oki Park should take note of the parking regulations along Lake Forest Drive/Wissemann Drive between Seton Court, Bennington Way and Everglade Drive. This area is frequently patrolled during special park activities and vehicles are cited for parking violation. Remember your vehicle wheels may not touch the white bike lane strip, you may not park on a corner or any part of a driveway, and watch for the "No Parking here to the Corner" designation. The Association has requested that area traffic restrictions be reviewed and that the underdeveloped area under the power lines on the south side of the street be graded for parking with additional area for 1 or 2 soccer fields. In the meantime, take care when parking your vehicle on the street in the Oki Park area.

#### **City's Spare the Water Update**

From the Desk of Councilmember Kevin McCarty

I want to thank Sacramento residents for continually reducing water consumption. Our latest numbers show water consumption dropped by 22 percent in July, exceeding our City's goals

Residents and business owners had been making steady conservation progress since January, when the statewide drought began to take hold and the City Council adopted a 20 percent target. According to data from the State Water Resources Control Board, in May the Sacramento hydrologic region had reduced its overall water use by 13 percent compared to an average of the past three years, which is more than any other region of California.

The City is doing their part as well – our city government cut water use 30 percent in the month of July, compared to 2013. This occurred largely through reduced watering of parks and landscaped areas, less washing of city fleet vehicles and encouraging employees to conserve through signs in city buildings.

In January of 2014, the City implemented a reduced watering schedule based on property address. Properties ending with an odd number may water only on Tuesdays and Saturdays; properties with addresses ending in an even number may water only on Wednesdays and Sundays. Car washing is permitted only on watering days and all hoses must be equipped with an auto shut-off nozzle. Penalties for watering on the wrong day or time (outdoor watering is prohibited from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.), or for overwatering, are doubled and range from a written notice of violation of the first offense to \$1000 for fourth and subsequent violations.

#### **Net Neutrality**

From the Desk of Congresswoman Doris Matsui

I am a strong supporter of net neutrality because a free and open Internet is essential for consumers, and to encourage innovation and competition in our online economy. Our country cannot afford a 'pay-for-play' system that divides the Internet into tiers based on who has the deepest pockets. That is why I joined Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee in introducing legislation to require the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to ban so-called "paid prioritization" agreements between a broadband provider and a content provider. H.R. 4880, the Online Competition and Consumer Choice Act, would help prevent the creation of a two-tiered Internet system, ensuring start-ups and entrepreneurs have access to the marketplace and ensuring consumers can access all content equally.

Over the course of the year I have heard from hundreds of Sacramento residents on the future of the Internet. Given that the FCC is expected to consider new net neutrality rules by the end of the year, on September 24th I held a forum in Sacramento to explore the potential impacts on consumers, entrepreneurs, and local businesses. I believe that it is essential that the FCC listen to and engage with Americans outside of Washington on net neutrality, and I was pleased that FCC Commissioners Mignon Clyburn and Jessica Rosenworcel were able to join me in Sacramento for the forum.

As this process moves forward, I will fight to preserve an open Internet. Net neutrality is essential to the growth of our economy.

### Serving on the SMUD Board has Been an Honor

By Howard Posner, SMUD Ward 3 Director

It has been a privilege to represent the residents of Ward 3 on the SMUD Board of Directors since 1997. Ward 3 includes the College-Glen neighborhood, along with the communities of East Sacramento, Arden, Rosemont, College Greens and Florin.

I've chosen not run for re-election this fall and want to thank College-Glen News for giving me a chance to update you on SMUD news over the years. College-Glen is the sort of a community that makes Sacramento a great place to live. I'm biased, admittedly, but I think the same can be said about SMUD.

Most of you probably don't think much about your electric utility. This is understandable; you have plenty of pressing concerns and obligations. You expect SMUD to provide affordable, reliable electricity in the most environmentally responsible fashion possible. Customer satisfaction surveys indicate, year after year, that we meet that standard better than any other California utility.

But the energy landscape is shifting rapidly with the installation of smart meters and the development of a smarter, more efficient grid. SMUD is entering a period of fundamental change in which we'll need to integrate more renewable resources into the grid while meeting the growing needs of our customers.

SMUD is up to the challenge. We have a dedicated, innovative workforce. It's humbling to know that other utilities around the nation – and even the world – view SMUD as a model utility.

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#### **Assemblymember Roger Dickinson Hosts Education Fair at Sacramento State**

From the Desk of Assemblymember Roger Dickinson

Assemblymember Dickinson, partnering with Sacramento State and Univision 19, hosted the second annual Feria de Educación/Education Fair on August 23rd at the Sacramento State campus.

Taking that next step in your education has never been easier given the abundance of information that was being distributed at this year's event. The goal of the fair was to offer to all families information necessary to navigate the California education system from pre-school through the university level. This free and bilingual event hosted education programs and colleges from all over California that provided valuable advice and counseling on how to apply for college, receive financial aid services, access scholarship opportunities and how to take the next step to educational success.

This year's fair attracted thousands of people and next year we are hoping for an even larger turn out. Along with valuable educational services there was music, food, entertainment and a free book giveaway!



Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help!

### Local Loitering Update, Road Improvement Input Sought

From the Desk of County Supervisor Susan Peters

There should be a decrease in panhandling on Fair Oaks Boulevard's medians due to a new metal fence installed along the left turn pockets east and west of Watt Avenue.

This intersection is one of the busiest in Sacramento County with over 70,000 vehicles per day passing through. Loitering in the medians has been a safety concern but it was impossible for law enforcement to maintain a 24/7 presence to discourage such risky behavior. As a result, a 4 foot high fence was installed on those medians except for the "nose" area where there are rocky cobble stones. This installation should prevent secure footing and discourage any sort of straddling thereby freeing the area from unwanted solicitors who were putting themselves and motorists at risk.

Do you want potholes fixed, traffic signals synchronized, or new bridges or roadways built? Through SacramentoGO, the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) – which manages the Sacramento County Measure A half-cent sales tax for transportation – is looking for public input to help determine future countywide transportation priorities.

The Measure A program has helped deliver crucially needed road maintenance, signal system upgrades, and traffic safety improvements to our region's transportation system including improvements along Watt Avenue and Folsom Boulevard.

Tell the STA the transportation priorities you'd like to see funded in the future by visiting sacramentogo.org.

Susan Peters represents the Third District on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. She can be reached at susanpeters@saccounty.net.

### **Movie Night at Oki Park**

The word is out - A great way to start the school year is with a family movie under the stars. Again this year the Association co-sponsored with Council Member McCarty and Neighborhood Services, Movie in the Park. Council Member McCarty scheduled the movie and Neighborhood Services provided the popcorn, ice cream and drinks. This year the attendees were treated to The Lego Movie. Neighbors visited and enjoyed each other's company in our community park. It is this type of event that makes the College-Glen community the great place that it is. Thanks to Council Member McCarty and Neighborhood Services for providing this wonderful end-of-the-summer activity!

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Thank you for your support!

### Time for the City to Begin Re-Paying our Cell Tower Revenues

In a 2002 resolution, the City of Sacramento clarified and re-established policies for the utilization of revenues from cell towers as mitigation for installations: 1) on non-City park properties, 75% of all proceeds will to be allocated to neighborhood enhancement on or near the facility (cell towers); and 2) for installations in-City parks, 100% of all proceeds collected will to be allocated to neighborhood enhancement projects on or near the facility or property.

Our community currently has two cell towers located in Oki Park. The cell towers are operated under



a 1996 agreement with AT&T and a 1999/2000 agreement with Verizon. This year the annual rent for the AT&T tower is \$21,267.61 and the Verizon tower is \$21,032.59. There are 27 cell towers located on city property.

In Resolution 2012-020, because of a City wide fiscal emergency, the City staff suggested that most, but not all, of these revenues be redirected to the General Fund "Until the City regains fiscal sustainability (base operating cost are less than base revenues)." Additionally, Resolution 2012-020 stated, "Future billboard and wireless revenues (no exceptions) shall be budgeted/directed to the General Fund for operation of the facility or other Non-Department use." Recently, the City has violated the clear meaning of this resolution and authorized leases of 6 new electronic billboards of which the revenues are to be provided completely to the owners of the Sacramento Kings. The expected billboard revenue being given to the Kings owners is \$1,080,000 per year.

Currently, the City claims to have a \$ 2 million surplus and has restored some funds to public safety and parks programs cut during the budget shortfalls. However, they continue to redirect most, but not all, cell tower funds to the General Fund.

It is the position of the Association that our community has been and continues to be over taxed as well as being deprived of the benefits of our cell phone royalty/rents agreements. Not only are we being "taxed" from our cell tower revenues, we are paying the Measure U sales tax increase, intended to restore services cut by the General Fund budget cuts. In effect we are being 'double taxed' for the same services.

In addition, in 2013 when it was discovered that the City had some surplus funds and the opportunity to repay a portion of our community's cell tower funds to us (that they claimed were used to supplement the General Fund) the Mayor and City Council voted instead to divert and use those funds to enhance their personal 'discretionary funds.' Additionally, we have been advised by the City's Director of Finance that even with the City having a multi-million dollar surplus, the City continues to need our \$42,000/year cell tower funds (while at the same time relinquishing \$1,080,000/year of billboard revenue to the owners of the Kings.)

It is time for the City to honor its cell tower/billboard agreements with us going forward; and, to pay us back the community revenue we are the intended beneficiaries of, including any re-directed or borrowed funds used to "assist in closing the City's" previous budget shortfalls.

### CGNA Takes Cell Tower Issue to Parks Commission

The policies and procedures for utilization of revenues from the granting of revocable permits for wireless telecommunication facilities were formulated by the City Council based on recommendations from City staff and the Citizens Advisory Committee on Parks and Recreation. The intent of Resolution 2002-342 is clear; to re-establish the policies and procedures for the utilization of revenues from the granting of revocable permits for wireless telecommunication facilities.

The 1997 Staff Report states under Policy Considerations:

"These policies establish a mechanism for enhancing neighborhood improvements and development without impacting the General Fund. It also provides a mitigation factor for the neighborhoods affected by the placement of wireless telecommunications facilities."

The 2002 Resolution states:

"For installations located in City Parks 100% of all proceeds collected from this date forward will be allocated to Neighborhood enhancement programs/ projects on or near the facility or property..."

The Association went to the Parks Commission because they were the designers of the process and their charge as commissioners is to support our parks and the make recommendations to the city council on matters pertaining to parks and recreation.

The Parks Commission placed our request for the "return of cell tower funds to local communities" on the agenda for their July meeting. The Association was permitted to make a presentation. The Parks commission reviewed our issues and voted to make a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council that cell tower funds be restored for use by communities as intended in Resolution 2002-342.

### Councilmember offers \$20,000 for College-Glen Parks

Councilmember McCarty in the body of his article in the July 2014 edition of the College-Glen News stated that he was allocating his cell tower funds for District 6 specifically toward Park projects in those respective neighborhoods. He went on to state that those funds totaled approximately \$20,000 that can be used to add amenities or make improvements to Oki or Glenbrook parks. We are confident that our Councilmember was well meaning with his offer. However, our two cell towers are generating \$42,000 annually. This is roughly \$22,000 short of the figure offered in July. We have advised Councilmember McCarty of the shortage and requested that he review his numbers and our numbers to see where the discrepancy is. We are awaiting his response.

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### Residents Concerned with Fire Potential from Illegal Camping

The Association periodically receives reports of illegal camping in the neighborhood. Most are in areas with trees, fences and bushes that provide visual privacy and shelter from environmental elements. The areas cited most frequently have been: La Riviera at the Howe under pass, bushes along the off ramp from Howe to La Riviera; the Oki Park easement off Wisemann Drive behind Everglade Drive; Seton, Denison and Hollins Courts; under the power lines and the underbrush along the Occidental Overpass ramps. All reports received by the Association are shared with the authorities. Typically, the campers move out of a site within a few days of our notice and within a week, the campers are cited in one of the other campsites.

With this summer's drought, fear of fires associated with illegal camping has become a priority issue. Such was the case with the campers along the Occidental overpass. When the Association checked out the site there were obvious signs of campfires within the heavy underbrush. The potential for fire in the area elevated the issue from illegal camping to a fire danger for the 21 area residents with homes along Mediterranean Way where their yards back up to the overpass. The Association shared its concern that a fire in this area would likely spread to back fences and the homes before the fire department could arrive resulting in major damage to neighborhood property. The Association received an immediate response to our concern. We were advised that Cal Trans is responsible for the maintenance of the area adjacent to the overpass. Cal Trans has identified the area for basic maintenance and removal of underbrush to address our fire danger concerns.

### Lycoming Court Seeks Justice For Neighbors

At the start and end of each school year complaints come in about area fraternity and sorority parties. However, for the residents of Lycoming Court, the parties have been year round. Loud late night parties, cars coming and going all night, cars parked on the side walks and lawns, students pounding on neighbors doors in the late night looking for the party house, and trash everywhere the following morning happen all year.

The neighbors have petitioned the college to take action and have also come to the Association for help. The Association shared with the Lycoming residents that this has been and most likely will continue to be a community issue. The Association is aware that the University is developing a long-range master plan. In 2013 the Association wrote the University administration and asked that the University include in the master plan a designated area for academic clubs, sports teams and fraternal organizations. We have asked the Lycoming residents if they would be willing to work with the community to encourage the University to set aside some Ramona & Brighton area property for student housing and activities. The Association believes that unless the University has designated campus housing for student groups this problem will only get worse for our community. The residents of Lycoming, Caldwell, Radcliffe and Coker Court, and Bennington Way have agreed to join the Association in encouraging the University to consider setting aside space for this type of student housing.

### **Summer 2014 Crime Summary**

By Ron Alvarado

Burglaries from autos continued to be our neighborhood's highest reported crime over the summer followed by actual vehicle theft. Only one case of vandalism was reported in our area. Two new categories are included in the summer analysis; drug violations (7 reports) and weapons violations (5 reported). Overall, from mid June through the Labor Day weekend, 73 crimes were reported. This analysis has attempted to be more specific geographically to our neighborhood as the police on-line reporting has become more robust and provides mapping more "centralized" to our College Glen area.

As always, for emergencies and crimes in progress, dial 911. You can go online at www.sacpd.org to report a crime that has occurred and/or where no current emergency exists.

### Crime Stats in our Neighborhoods June 18 - September 2

Crime	Actual Number Reported	Percentage of Total Crimes Reported
Aggravated Assault	2	3%
Burglary-Commercial	6	8%
Burglary-Motor Vehicle	21	29%
Burglary-Residential	8	11%
Drug Violations	7	10%
Robbery-Commercial	3	4%
Robbery-Individual	5	7%
Shoplifting	6	8%
Theft - Motor Vehicle	9	12%
Vandalism	1	1%
Weapons Violation	5	7%
Total	73	100%

### 31st Annual Rugby Tournament January 17th & 18th

The Sacramento Valley Rugby Foundation will host the 31st Annual Kick Off Tournament for high school age players this coming January 17th and 18th at the Rancho Cordova High School sports fields. Registration is underway for this Kick Off 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 through out the day for middle school under 10 and 12 year olds. These matches focus primarily on learning the game and getting playing time against other teams.

Sacramento has consistently been well represented 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 encouraged to come and enjoy the "Gentlemen's Game" of rugby. For more information about youth and high school rugby in the Sacramento area, contact Jerry Ahlin at (916) 804-4332 or visit the Sacramento Valley Rugby Foundation website at www.svrf.org.



### College Glen Little League Registration is Coming!

By Jenny Wirtz, CGLL Registrar

It is hard to believe but the time is approaching to register for the 2015 baseball season. We are very excited about the upcoming season and the CGLL Board has been working hard on some improvements around the complex. We will be starting the BIG project of redoing the dugouts! This will be a multi-year project with us working on one field at a time. We will be completely demolishing the existing dugouts and building new, bigger, more functional dugouts! This will be a great improvement to the CGLL complex!

The 2015 registration will begin in November. This will be online registration like last season and should be extremely easy for returning players as the parent and player information is already in the system. Be sure to update any email addresses and phone numbers during the registration process if there have been changes. Our primary source of communication is email, so it is extremely important that the information is accurate.

If you have any questions regarding registration you can contact CGLL Registrar Jenny Wirtz at collegeglenlittleleague@hotmail.com

There will be a league wide email and Facebook update when the 2015 registration is officially open. Please "like" us on Facebook for other updates and check out our website at www.collegeglenlittleleague. com. The 2015 costs and important dates will be on the website soon.

We look forward to a great 2015 season. GO CGLL!

### Soccer

#### **BAC Soccer Now at Isador Cohen**

For many area students and their parents the start of school means the beginning of soccer. The sport has always been popular with our area youth. With the arrival of professional soccer the supporters of this activity are anticipating an increase in the popularity of this sport. The tradition of Friday evening soccer for the under 6 co-ed games continues. However, this year the games have been moved from Oki Park to Isadore Cohen (9025 Salmon Falls Drive off of La Riviera). These games stress sportsmanship and sharing with no score keeping. Parents support and encourage players on both the home and opposing teams. Players take turns playing various positions and when not on the field the players learn to cheer on their teammates on the field.

Saturday morning soccer is for the older youth. The league has teams for both girls and boys. The games are more structured and competitive. Games are being scheduled for play at the fields of both Thomas Jefferson and Isadore Cohen. All games are entertaining and open to the community. Attending a game is a great way to connect with the youth of our community. We encourage you to come out and enjoy a game!























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