

# College-Glen News



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## National Family Night Out Friday, June 30th



Come celebrate National Family Night Out and Freedom in America with Councilmember Eric Guerra, your friends, and neighbors. The location for this year's event is still in question. The increasing popularity of the event has caused some concerns regarding safety. Last year Bowdian Court was filed with neighbors by 7:00 pm or 30 minutes before the event officially started. By 9:00 pm, as we began the start of the fireworks, the court was shoulder to shoulder with guests. Locations under consideration include Jefferson Park, Oki Park, and Glenbrook Park.

While the location is still in question, we have firm commitments from our co-sponsors Councilmember Eric Guerra and Neighborhood Services; D.J. Charlie White for our traditional blend of contemporary American music; Cathy, the Raley's Bakery manager, and Marnette, Raley's General manager, for cookie decorating; Jay Alaei for animals from College Green Pet Center, Fire Station 60 Crew, Sacramento Police Department; and Sacramento County Probation Department to be in attendance wherever we land.

The format will continue to be casual socializing with your neighbors and our CGNA sponsors. The Association will provide complimentary refreshments including the traditional "All American" hot dog and chips from 7:30 pm to 8:15 pm. with dessert being served at 8:30 pm. Don't miss this opportunity to visit with your neighbors, elected representatives and their staff members, the Station 60 crew, members of the City Police Department, CGNA Board, and many of our CGNA Sponsors while taping your toes to the sounds of music. As in the past, we will have face painting and balloon art.

At 9:00 pm, we will begin our traditional TNT Fireworks Show. During the show the Association will display a broad sample of fireworks being sold by the College-Glen Little League at their TNT Fireworks Booth on La Riviera Drive in the parking lot of the Glenbrook Park Baseball Field. There is no charge to attend this neighborhood event, which is sponsored by the College Glen Neighborhood Association, Council District 6, City of Sacramento Neighborhood Services, and our local business sponsors. You may want to bring a drink cup, lawn chair and a blanket, as it does get cool in the latter part of the evening.

## Sacramento Dharma Center Grand Opening

The former Big Valley Federal Credit Union is now officially the Sacramento Dharma Center. The Dharma Center Grand Opening was well attended by their membership, representatives from area business and churches, and College-Glen neighbors. On hand to welcome the group to the neighborhood was Councilmember Guerra.

The Dharma center is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to teaching and studying Buddhism and meditation. They will host meditation and discussion groups related to the Buddhist teachings, as well as offer meditation classes and small study groups. The leadership will also offer a one-day retreat each month.

Everyone is welcome to stop by, learn, and get involved in the history and methods of the Buddhist teachings. Their entry may say it best: "With the intention to benefit the whole community we welcome everyone who seeks to end suffering and live in harmony." For more information regarding the teaching visit their web site at [www.sacdharma.org](http://www.sacdharma.org) and turn to page 10.

In addition to the many ongoing events and meditation opportunities,

The Dharma Center is planning an

**Introduction to Buddhist Meditation**

**Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 11:30 am**

**September 26th - October 24th**

*Please contact them if you are interested in participating in these sessions.*



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## Work-Study at Cristo Rey High School

By Andreas Agos, Principal

At College-Glen neighborhood meetings and in this newsletter I've said that the defining characteristics of Cristo Rey High School are that it is a college preparatory Catholic high school for low income students who participate in a work-study program. The work-study element probably needs to be explained because it's so unique to our model of education.

All 32 Cristo Rey high schools across the country require their students to take part in the work-study program. Students are in school four days a week, taking classes that prepare them for success in college. But on their assigned work day - Tuesday for seniors, Wednesday for sophomores, Thursday for juniors, and Friday for freshmen - students are transported by Cristo Rey vans to their work sites for the entire day and then brought back to the campus between four and five o'clock.

The Cristo Rey model requires that students be in a professional work setting. Among our nearly 100 work sponsors are law firms, accounting firms, public relations and marketing firms, hospitals, government offices, and non-profits. The type of work that students do depends on the needs of the organization. Many freshmen and sophomores begin with clerical tasks like filing and answering phones. But as they gain experience, they are given more responsibility. For example, we have students who work in law firms helping to prepare case files, while other students work in hospitals and assist staff with data management and patient care. Doing this type of work helps students determine the careers they would like to pursue and understand the importance of getting their college degrees.

If you have any questions about Cristo Rey's work-study program, please call 733-2660.

## Let Us Thank Our Teachers and Classified School Employees in May

By David W. Gordon, Sac. Co. Superintendent of Schools

During the month of May, we host so many school related activities ranging from graduation and promotions to end of the year gatherings. However, as we prepare for all of these festivities it is important for us to take some time to remember that our schools would not run as smoothly as they do if not for the dedicated teachers and classified employees who work tirelessly each day to help our children succeed.

On May 10, we will celebrate California Day of the Teacher. This day is an opportunity for us to remember and thank those who taught us, and who continue to teach our children and grandchildren, to read and write, to value the arts and the sciences, and to inspire our youth to always do their best.

May 21-27 is Classified School Employees Week. During this week, we will honor those who help our schools operate smoothly. Our schools could not function without our secretaries, maintenance workers, custodians, and para-educators, just to name a few. Without these very important team members, our teachers could not teach, our administrators could not do their jobs, and our students could not thrive.

So, I hope that you will take the time during May to honor our teachers and classified employees, who give our schools, and our students, the support they need.

## Kings Honor Sacramento County's 2017 Teachers of the Year

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

Sacramento County's 2017 teachers of the year were honored at halftime of the Sacramento Kings/Denver Nuggets game on March 11 at the Golden 1 Center. The county teacher of the year program is coordinated by the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), in partnership with the Kings, Sacramento River Cats, and Sacramento Scottish Rite Bodies of Freemasonry. The teachers were greeted at Center Court by County Superintendent of Schools David W. Gordon and by Kings President Chris Granger. In a pre-game ceremony, the teachers were welcomed by Kings legend Peja Stojaković.

The 2017 teachers of the year from the Elk Grove, Folsom Cordova, Sacramento City, and San Juan Unified School Districts, as well as SCOE, are:

- George Helms, Arnold Adreani Elementary School, Elk Grove
- Denise Knorr, Florin Elementary School, Elk Grove
- Deborah Andrus, Cordova High School, Folsom Cordova
- Daniel Crenshaw, Rosemont High School, Sacramento City
- Carrie Meagher Relles, Phoebe A. Hearst Elementary School, Sacramento City
- Nichole Harshbarger, Kingswood K-8, San Juan
- Brad Ward, Mesa Verde High School, San Juan
- Patricia Buckholz, Infant Development Program/Special Education, SCOE

Each year, two county teachers of the year are selected to



**All Sacramento County 2017 teachers of the year are greeted by Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools David W. Gordon (second from right) and Sacramento Kings President Chris Granger (far right).**

move forward to the California teacher of the year program. This year's selectees were Nichole Harshbarger and George Helms. The teacher of the year program recognizes the achievements of local educators and emphasizes the valuable role that teachers play in the lives of their students and in the community. For more information, go to <https://www.scoe.net/News/Pages/2016/september/19toy.aspx>.

## College Glen Little League Starts 43rd Year

The league received its charter in 1974 as part of the American River Little League. The next year the College Glen league was formed. Since then this all-volunteer league has had a significant presence in the neighborhood.

The season began with a parade from the Raley's parking lot traveling down Occidental Drive with a police escort, 25 floats, and a fire engine. The floats, coaches, family members, and players then assembled at the Glenbrook Park Fields. League President, Jake Logsdon, introduced each of the 278 players and greeted them as each player ran the bases. After all the players were introduced Tony Edwards sang the National Anthem, Assemblymember Kevin McCarty threw out the first pitch, and then the games began.

Games are scheduled for play every day except Friday and Sunday through the end of May. The community is welcome to come and enjoy. For more information and specific schedules visit [www.collegeglenlittleleague.com](http://www.collegeglenlittleleague.com).



## Ground Breaking for the Crossings Student Housing and Innovation Center

By August 2017, the Ramona & Brighton site proposed in 1998 for the Sacramento Recycling and Transfer Station will be transformed into The Crossing Student Housing project and the Center for Innovation. Coleraine Capital Group, Inc. and its development partner, Amcal Equities, have started construction on this student housing community and innovation center that will provide 750 beds to serve the students of California State University, Sacramento (CSUS).

The project will feature state-of-the-art amenities, be pedestrian friendly, and is less than a mile from the CSUS south entrance. The project will include a Center for Innovation where students, faculty, and businesses will be able to exchange knowledge, build a connection, and stimulate innovation. There will also be space available for retail shops and a café style eatery. The center will also include a clubhouse with an outdoor basketball court, and resort-style pool as well as private study rooms, computer lab, cyber café, game room, theater/presentation room, and 24-hour fitness. Each residential suite will have a full-sized kitchen, living area, and one to four bedrooms. Bedrooms and bathrooms will be individually keyed for privacy and security. All student residences will be fully furnished and feature hi-speed Wi-Fi for internet connectivity, flat screen TV's in the living room, and washers and dryers.

There will be on-site parking for 432 cars and 475



**Breaking ground for The Crossings Center are (L-R) Chris Flores, Office of Senator Matsui; Tracey Schall, Power Inn Alliance; Councilmember Eric Guerra; Percy Vaz, CEO AMCAL; Mayor Darrell Steinberg; and David Moon, President/Owner Coleraine Capital Group.**

bicycles. All buildings will be protected with an automated fire/life safety system, access controlled-entries, and video surveillance system. The project will also include a connection to Folsom Boulevard for pedestrians, bikes, and autos.

## CSUS "Finish in Four"

By Nathan Dietrich

In support of Sacramento State's graduation and student success goals, Spring 2017 set a new enrollment record with over 28,900 students, and importantly these students also set new records for the number of units they enrolled in.

"For the past year, we have been asking our students to consider taking one extra class each semester to accelerate their graduation," says Don Hunt, associate vice president for Enrollment and Student Services. "Our 'Finish in Four' campaign supports our graduation initiative and the new California Promise legislation."

This average number of class units that students take is referred to as the average unit load or AUL. Continuing the upward trend from Fall 2016, first-year students had an average unit load of 13.87 for Spring 2017, up from 13.4 for Spring 2016. Since this average is taken from all students (including those choosing to enroll part time), the increase is substantial.

"The increased average unit load means that our efforts to get more students to take 15 units are working," Hunt says. "And our colleges and departments are working hard to make more courses available for them."

Sacramento State has focused on the graduation issue through a number of programs, including new software to better track students' progress, adding classes, and hiring faculty. As the number of students enrolled at Sacramento State continues to grow, the campus is also adding additional on campus housing units and remains committed to being a good neighbor.

## Neighborhood Art has Special Meaning



Peggy and Allen Piccardo have found a new way to deal with the loss of a valued tree and contribute to the neighborhood. The Piccardo yard, at the corner of Occidental and Bennington, has always been one of those special neighborhood gardens. Always green and well-groomed. They recently lost their redwood trees to the drought. Rather than grind the stumps, they decided to turn them into a community art project and memorial to Lucy, their aging pet Schnauzer.

## **Sly Park Environmental Education** By Jackie Levy, Area 3 Trustee Sacramento County Board of Education

One of my favorite SCOE programs is Sly Park, an environmental education center located in the El Dorado National Forest near Pollack Pines. Since 1970, Sly Park has been providing a quality outdoor education experience focused on appreciation and understanding of the natural environment. Most of the students are 5th or 6th graders who come with their class for either 3, 4, or 5 days. The programming includes hiking, arts and crafts, astronomy and planetarium, a climbing wall, an animal room, a Native American interpretive center, plus much more. All classes are taught by specially qualified credentialed teachers who love working at Sly Park. Costs are kept as low as possible so that all students can attend and include food, lodging, instruction and day and evening activities. The camp features delicious food (One student commented “The food here is way better than school food. It’s even better than my mom’s!”). Most important, students are learning lifelong skills such as meeting new people, trying new things, facing and overcoming challenges, working as a team, and



critical thinking and problem solving. One sixth grader said, “You taught us valuable lessons we can carry with us for the rest of our lives.” It is my hope that every 5th or 6th grader could have the opportunity to go to Sly Park. It will be a field trip they will always remember.

## **McClaskey Adult Center Classes and Bancroft Elementary Program**

### **Beginning Traditional Uechi - Ryu Karate Mondays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm**

The Uechi-Ryu Karate class at the McClaskey Adult Center, Thomas Jefferson Branch, continues to welcome new students to join either the Parent and Tween/Teen class, or the adult class. For more information contact College/Glen resident Robb Van Der Volgen at 801-9735 or via email at vandervolgenjr@yahoo.com.

### **Music & Movement for Toddlers & Pre-Schoolers with Lisa Phenix Tuesdays at 9:30 am**

With egg shakers, bells and drums in hand, everyone becomes part of the backup band as we explored the nature, gravity, and the seasons. Check Lisa’s website at Lisaphenix.com, email at lisap@winfirst.com, or call 719-6106 if you are interested in joining us for upcoming classes.

### **Free Friday Morning -Watercolor Mini-Workshops with Woody Hansen on the American River Parkway**

Classes will resume as soon as the river is safe for access. Woody welcomes all level of students, beginning, intermediate, and advanced. Woody does ask that an adult accompany students under the age of 18. There is no registration fee just show up at the right time. Woody asks that you check with him via e-mail check on the availability of the river access. In the meantime,

Woody continues to offer in home watercolor classes. For information on the start date for Free Friday Watercolor Mini-Workshops and Woody’s in home watercolor classes you may E-mail Woody at watercolors@woodyhansen.com.



### **Toddler & Pre-School**

Holding deposits are now being accepted for the Fall 2017 pre-school and toddler programs. Registration for the Fall 2017 is on site in room 2 at McClaskey/Jefferson Branch at 2635 Chestnut Hill Drive in room 2. During the summer, deposits for the Fall 2017 programs may be made at the McClaskey Center at 5241 J Street. For more information about these programs contact the instructor, Paula Lynch, at 247-3335 or 382-5963 and the McClaskey Principal, Susan Gilmore, at 277-6625.

### **Bancroft Early Kinder**

Pre-registration for the Bancroft Early Kinder program began in May and the list now exceeds the available 24 seats. This means that there will be a lottery for the 24 seats. Your child is still eligible for this program if he or she turns five years old on or between September 2 and December 2, 2017. However, anyone registering after the lottery on May 1, 2017 will be placed at the end of the waiting list based on time of registration. For more information and to register for this program, call Bancroft School at 395-4595.

### **Bancroft Regular Kindergarten**

The District’s pre-registration for On Site and Open Enrollment for the Bancroft Kindergarten program has ended. Parents must now register their child in their neighborhood school. Parents that have not registered their child are advised to register as soon as possible, as space is limited. Once a class becomes over-enrolled, or more than 24 students, unless there are sufficient students for an additional class, your child may be assigned to another, nearby school.

## Working with Neighbors to Address Homelessness

From the Desk of Councilman Eric Guerra

I would like to thank all who attended our Homelessness Meeting on February 21st. There was great attendance and discussion about how neighbors can work with the City to help solve our homelessness problem.

At the meeting, neighbors heard from Sergeant Gregory Galliano and the IMPACT Team, both from the Police Department, about how the city is working to deliver safer neighborhoods by working with residents to address the homelessness problem. The IMPACT team works to engage the chronic homeless and steer them toward service providers to get them off the street.

The IMPACT Team often refers homeless people to Sacramento Steps Forward, the lead agency working to end homelessness in Sacramento. The City has invested \$500,000 in Sacramento Steps Forward's Common Cents program, which is a coordinated assessment, intake and referral system that targets the most vulnerable. The City has also undertaken a series of initiatives to deliver more services and options, including:

An annual contribution of \$700,000 to the Comprehensive Alcohol Treatment Center that provides shelter and services to 80 people;

A matched grant of \$433,000 to keep the Veterans of America Men's Shelter and Salvation Army's Shelter open 24 hours, seven days a week;

A \$600,000 forgivable loan to Saint John's Program for Real Change to help expand their capacity to serve 90 additional homeless women and children.

These programs are designed to create real change in our region and expand services to get the homeless off our streets and into supportive services and long-term housing.

I'm also excited about the meetings that Mayor Steinberg and I had in our recent trip to Washington DC. We sat down with HUD to discuss partnership opportunities and real solutions to address homelessness. HUD is interested in working with the City of Sacramento to find creative ways to issue additional housing vouchers.

Homelessness is an ongoing problem in Sacramento that we are trying to address in a holistic approach. We need your help. Please refer homeless related issues to our Homeless Coordinator, Emily Halcon, at [EHalcon@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:EHalcon@cityofsacramento.org) or at 808-7896. Together we can improve our city's homeless problem.

### Household Junk Pick-Up Returns

The City's loose-in-the street pickup has ended and the Household Junk Pickup has resumed. City of Sacramento solid waste/recycling customers have **two free Household Junk Pickups** a year per household during the non-leaf season. In addition, customers may request **one free dump coupon for self-haul** of debris to the Sacramento Recycling and Transfer Station for the Household Junk Pickup Program per calendar year.

A full list of services available and guidelines for the various programs can be found at [www.sacreecycle.org](http://www.sacreecycle.org).

## Enjoy the Parkway and Our Parks

From the Desk of County Supervisor Susan Peters

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

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

And if you need quick access online to find specific recreational facilities like dog parks, swimming pools (and lessons), community centers, trails, arts and culture, golf, horseback riding, tennis courts and more remember all sorts of information is available at [yoursacparks.com](http://yoursacparks.com).

This website is a one stop gateway to fun and recreation where you can reserve a facility for your next family or business function, make a tee time, sign up to volunteer, or improve your health and fitness.

The result of a partnership of 19 local recreation and park agencies including Sacramento County's Department of Regional Parks, the website's goal is to help connect you with the beautiful parks and recreational services available in our area.

Enjoy the great outdoors this spring!

## Proposed Legislation to Assist Refugees, Higher Education

From the Desk of Assemblymember Kevin McCarty

In recent years, many refugees have come to California - Sacramento County alone welcomed 3,261 refugees escaping war and persecution last year. In addition, more than 37,000 Iraqi and Afghan nationals have been granted Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) to live in the U.S. Many of them helped or were employed by the U.S. government (often as translators), and fled fearing reprisals against their families.

Refugees and SIVs face numerous barriers assimilating, including finding employment in their occupation. I've introduced a bill — AB 349 — which requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to assist and expedite the licensure process for people with SIVs to ensure their experience and education are applicable to professions in California.

Also, because there is no place else they can call their home, another bill of mine — AB 343 — would make refugees with SIVs eligible for in-state tuition and state financial aid. This would ensure that these students are able to pursue their education, rebuild their lives, and improve the lives of their family. These new Americans shouldn't be forced to forego their life goals, or compromise their ability to contribute to California's economy.

Additionally, a few weeks ago, I joined students and parents, Assembly Democrats, including Speaker Rendon and members of the Assembly Budget and Higher Education Committees, to collectively announce a higher education budget package aimed at reducing student debt and making college affordability a reality for the nearly 2.8 million undergraduate students in California higher public education systems.

Collectively, this budget package will create the most progressive public investment in higher education in the United States and will highlight one of the Assembly Democratic Caucus' most important budget and policy priorities; making college more accessible and affordable to every student and family in California.

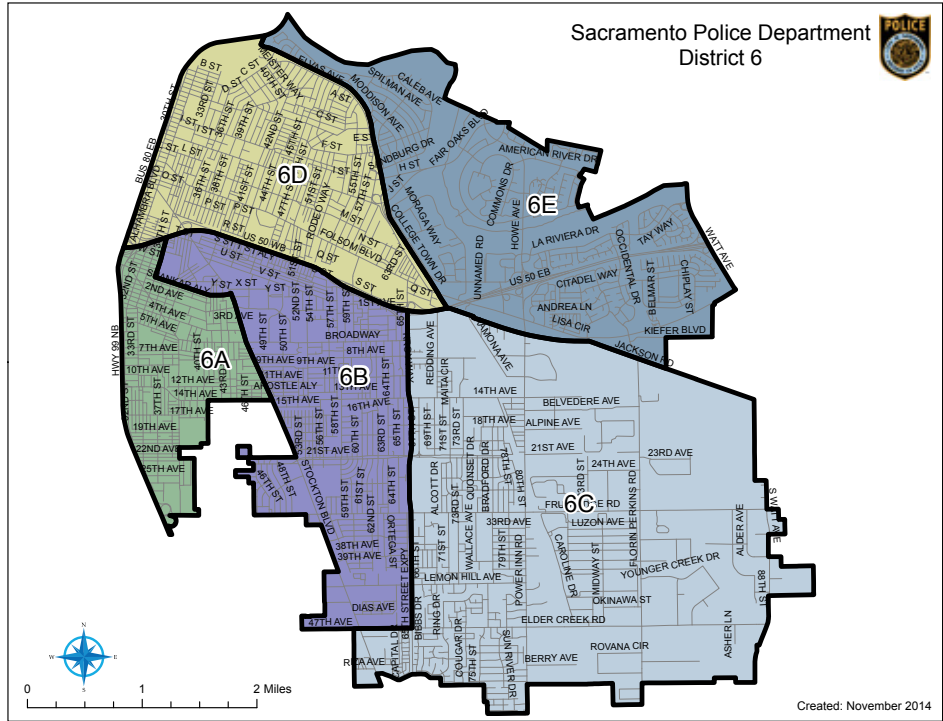
# Police Districts and College Glen/Glenbrook

By Ron Alvarado

Did you know that the City Police Department divides up the City into 6 Police, or patrol, districts? Our neighborhoods are within District 6, the Eastern Patrol Area. There are five sub-districts within District 6, and we are within portion 6E, basically contained by the American River to the north, College Town Drive to the west, Watt Avenue to our east, and Jackson Road to the south.

When reporting on crime stats for our more immediate neighborhood area, we utilize Watt to the East, College Town Drive/La Riviera Drive to the West, the American River to the north, Jackson Road to the South.

From the New Year through March 20, the largest number of reported crimes in our neighborhood area was “theft” of which there were 21 reported crimes, or 19.4% of the reported crimes in our area. This was followed by burglary from a motor vehicle (16 or 14.8%). Residential burglary and



motor vehicle theft were tied for an ominous third place, each with 14 reported incidents, or 13% of reported crime.

# Heavy Winter Means More Clean Power this Summer

By Gregg Fishman, SMUD Ward 3 Director

In the last edition of CGNA News I offered some advice about storms and how to handle power outages that sometimes occur during wet, windy weather.

Now I get to present the silver lining to those clouds.

The hydroelectricity generated in the Upper American River Project (UARP) has provided customers with clean power at a reasonable cost since 1957 – helping keep our electric rates among the lowest in the state.

The unusually wet winter we’ve experienced this year put SMUD’s three main UARP storage reservoirs – Ice House, Union Valley and Loon Lake – at about 78 percent capacity in mid-April. And that was before the deep snowpack in the Sierra Nevada began melting.

In other words, SMUD customers will benefit from an ample supply of hydro power this summer. Every inch of precipitation that falls in the UARP reduces the amount SMUD must spend on purchasing expensive power on the open market while also improving local air quality. Additionally, the wet winter enables SMUD to set aside money for a rate stabilization fund that provides a cushion in drier years.

In 2014, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved a new 50-year operating license for the UARP. The new license reflects public priorities by allowing more water to bypass powerhouses to the benefit of fish habitat and whitewater rafting.

SMUD also committed more than \$150 million over 20 years to upgrade and expand the outdoor facilities in the adjoining Crystal Basin Recreation Area. The UARP benefits our customers and everyone who enjoys a vibrant recreational experience.

## Visit [www.collegeglen.org](http://www.collegeglen.org)

If you would like to read the CGNA news on line or have questions about the College-Glen Neighborhood Association you may find the answer on the CGNA website. The website has a map of the area and provides basic information such as a listing for the Association Officers and Board of Directors, current area events, Association efforts representing the community, listing of our sponsors via their business cards with a link to their website for those with a website, how to become a business sponsor, colored copies of past and current CGNA Newsletters, useful area links, how to contribute to the Association and how to contact the Association.

Please note the Association encourages area residents to participate in Nextdoor.com. However, the Nextdoor.com site is not part of the Association. Nextdoor is a partnership with the City Police Department. The program is overseen by City Police Department’s Social Media Coordinator Jena Swafford. The Association shares information with Nextdoor, the information posted on Nextdoor is not forwarded to the CGNA. The Association encourages area residents that have neighborhood issues and information for the Neighborhood Association to go to the CGNA website and send their issues and information directly to the Association.

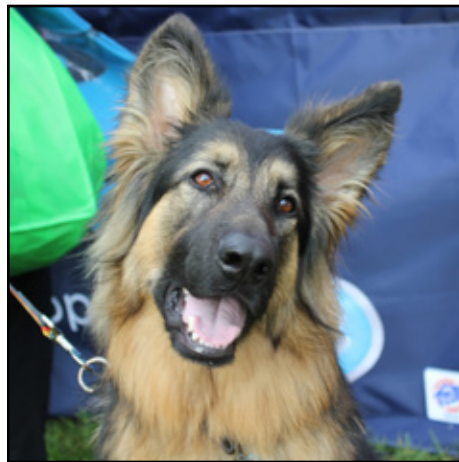
# The 24th Annual Sacramento SPCA Doggy Dash

More than 2,500 animal supporters participated in the 24th Annual Doggy Dash festivities! Many treated their best friend to an early morning walk in William Land Park all to help other animals find a best friend and forever home. In 2013, the popularity of this event transformed the annual SPCA Doggie Dash from a run in the park to a brisk 2K or 5K walk followed by the “Bark in the Park” festival. The event included a K9 honoring ceremony, adoptable animals on site, over 100 vendors, Disc Dogs of the Golden Gate, and much more!

In addition to being a fun day in the park for both the dogs and their humans, the dash is a major source of funding for all the animals sheltered at the Sacramento SPCA. This year the Doggy Dash raised over \$240,000; a new record! Proceeds will help provide care for thousands of homeless animals during the coming year as well as offering behavior and training programs, humane pet education for local youth, and affordable spay/neuter clinics for senior pet owners.







## Sacramento Dharma Center—Uplifting Transformations

By K. E. Bender

At the new Sacramento Dharma Center on 3111 Wissemann Drive it is taking some heavy lifting to transform a former credit union into a resource for the neighborhood and community. The huge steel safe door that once dominated the Meditation Hall was trucked away, and last week, our broken heater/air conditioner was lowered off the roof with an industrial crane. A new 7.5-ton unit was hoisted up to replace it. Inside, by the bank teller counter, large stacks of donated books have been transformed into a quiet library, and neighbors are welcome to browse when we are open.

Our calendar of events and classes is changing, too. We now offer drop-in meditation three mornings a week—Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7 a.m., and Thursdays at 6 a.m. The sound of children fills the center when the new Family Sangha (spiritual community) meets on the second Sunday of each month, and the new Climate Sangha watches over the environment (fourth Tuesday). The three groups that created the Center (Sacramento Buddhist Meditation Group, Valley Streams Zen Sangha, and Sacramento Insight Meditation) hold their regular evening programs once a week on either Sunday, Monday, and Thursday at 7 p.m., respectively. We invite you to come on by for any of these activities. Find out about our offerings on our online calendar at <http://sacdharma.org> or contact us at [info@sacdharma.org](mailto:info@sacdharma.org). We owe a big thank you to our College Glen neighbors for making us feel so welcome in our new home.



Attending the grand opening are (L-R) Rev. Bob Oshita; So On Jim Hare; Julia Mullen, SDC Vice President; Susan Orr, SDC President; and Councilman Eric Guerra.



Visitors learn more about the Sacramento Dharma Center at their grand opening.

## Holiday Dinner & POD Funding Update

The CGNA Board Holiday Dinner has traditionally been a working dinner. This year, in addition to a thank you for the participants at our annual meeting, it was used to strategize the final drive to fund the Police Observation Device (POD) cameras. Jason tended to the barbecue and the board visited with the guests. As always, the police and fire departments were invited. The Association Board decided to loan the Foundation the balance needed to fund the additional three PODs in the interest of getting our bid in as soon as possible for the final cameras. The final POD drive was conducted in January and directed only to community residents that had not previously contributed. We are pleased to acknowledge that as of April 1, 2017 we



have fully funded the five POD cameras with contributions from community residents and business. According to the Sacramento City Police Department, the parts have been ordered. The next steps in the process are assembly and installation.

## Neighborhood Issues

The CGNA Board continues to bring community concerns to the City by way of Councilmember Guerra.



**1) The Association has asked for the fence and the grounds adjacent to the Howe Avenue on/off ramp be repaired and cleaned up.**



**2. That the no parking area on the south side of Lake Forest Drive be painted red.**



**3. That the corner on the east side of Belmar Street adjacent to the Bancroft exit be painted red to permit safer passage for both school busses and cars during passing times for the students.**



**4. That the intersection of Notre Dame Drive and Bennington be posted on the north side of Bennington way and the west side of Notre Dame with a yield sign.**



**5. That the flow of water for the Glenbrook drinking fountain be adjusted.**

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***Thank you!***

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