



# College-Glen News

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## National Family Night Remains on Hold until 2022

In 2004, Councilmember Dave Jones, Chief of Staff David Gonsalves, and the CGNA designed and hosted the first College-Glen Neighborhood Association National Family Night Out. Our event was a re-designed National Night Out from a “take back your neighborhood” to a “thank you” to all those who had been supporting our Association with focus on the Sacramento area Fire and Police services. Since then, we have had participation from the Sacramento Fire Department, Sacramento County Probation, and the Sacramento Police Department including fire trucks, Sac. FD mascot Sparkie, patrol cars, motorcycles, mounted police, SWAT, K9 patrol, Sac. PD mascot Safe T. Bear and Sacramento County Probation mascot Probation Panda.

Because National Night Out draws a significant number of area youth that are not yet eligible to be vaccinated and City and County permit restrictions continued to limit large, close contact group activities the Association Board decided if we were not able to bring the event back as it has been designed and ensure a safe night for all our youth, it was best to wait another year. We hope that you support our decision. For now, we will remember the 2004 goals and the joys of our past National Family Night Out evenings and hope that we can return to Olivet and Hastings Courts on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Look forward to returning with cookie decorations from Raley’s, crafts with Crocker Art, balloons and face painting with our elected



**Dave Jones and the River Cats’ Dinger at the 2004 CGNA Family Night Out.**

representatives, Fire Station 60, Sac PD, Sac Co. Probation, and Rosemont High School helping with the event. And we will once again enjoy Ben Billeci performing the national anthem and TNT/Red Devil fireworks. Be safe and we hope to see everyone in 2022.

## Area Residents Support COVID-19 Vaccinations

Based on the replies to our COVID-19 Event Survey, 89% of College-Glen residents that are eligible to be vaccinated have had their 2<sup>nd</sup> shot. Only one area resident indicated that they would not wear a mask even when asked to do so, three said they do not intend to be vaccinated, and one family/individual was still considering a vaccination.

In addition to the covid information, the survey asked about attendance at the CGNA Annual Meetings and National Family Night Out. The Association/Foundation Boards hope to hold their 2021 Annual Meeting at Fire Station 60. Based on the survey replies, it is our intent to also make the meeting available on Zoom.

## Movie Night Returns to Oki Park

Movie Night in Oki Park returns Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Set-up will start at 6:00 and the movie will begin at dark or about 7:30pm.

The movie options under consideration for the evening are: Tom & Jerry, Raya and the Last Dragon, Onward, and Soul.

As in the past, flyers will be distributed prior to the event and the movie for the evening will be announced at that time.

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## Bancroft School Year Ends; Facility Awaits Upgrades

By Mrs. Lorena Carrillo, Bancroft Principal

It may have been the bumpiest school year ever, but it officially ended for Bancroft students on June 17. While the traditional year-end ceremonies were curtailed, participants from all grade levels seemed to quite enjoy the “drive-through/car-mencement” events that recognized our students. It was definitely a year for the history books!

Although it was a tumultuous year in many ways for all our families, it additionally brought positive changes that will hopefully be instilled in the District’s educational program for years to come. Think: improved and more efficient use of technology, zoom meetings for staff, more thorough focus on health and safety, and appreciation for in-person collaboration, to name a few.



In conjunction with the overall educational program, Bancroft is also scheduled to get a completely new playground this summer. This means lots of trucks and workers from the end of June until mid-August while they tear out the old blacktop and replace it completely with newly-poured asphalt (no cracks!) and painting of colorful games and a running track for the students to enjoy. Additional fencing and gates will be added so we will be able to close the campus for greater student safety and security.

We wish a restful, relaxing, and healthy summer for our entire community, and look forward to seeing everyone when we go Back to School on September 2.





## Living the Four Pillars of St. Francis During the Pandemic

By Tina Tedesco, St. Francis High School

This school year, the St. Francis Catholic High School community rallied around our Troubies with unprecedented support, enabling us to shift from distance learning to hybrid learning to onsite learning, all the while staying safe and finding a new approach to provide education, athletics, arts, ministry, and technology for our students.

The pandemic didn't stop our Troubies from living the four pillars of St. Francis - faith, excellence, leadership and service - perhaps in more unique ways. Student clubs reinvented themselves to create meaningful experiences to serve each other and the greater community. Our Troubies completed more than 17,000 service hours; our arts performances took creativity to a whole new level; and all of our athletes competed during modified seasons, with dozens of our seniors signing their Letters of Intent in the spring. A drive-through Crab Feed allowed us to safely celebrate our 80th Anniversary and we followed it with a virtual Revelry auction, which allowed our community near and far to participate.

We celebrated the Class of 2021 during a beautiful outdoor Baccalaureate and Graduation ceremony, adding 277 young women to our alumnae and we are proud to welcome the Class of 2025. We encourage anyone considering St. Francis Catholic High School to reach out. It's never too late.

This summer we are enjoying a campus filled with prospective students attending our sold-out Camp Troubie and Camp Troubie Jr. programs, lead by current students and staff.

We look forward to seeing our students and their families back on campus in August.



**Robotics team, the Geneseas, will compete in the World Championships in Tennessee in August.**

## SCOE Supporting Local Students with Special Summer Program

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

When students return to in-person instruction when the new school year starts, the focus on academic instruction will be intense. At the same time, both students and staff have experienced unprecedented levels of disruption and stress that will impact their ability to focus on learning.

To enhance learning for students preparing for the upcoming year, we at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) are proud to be partnering with the Sacramento City Unified School District, San Juan Unified, and Twin Rivers Unified, plus several community-based and non-profit organizations, to provide students with opportunities to re-engage with the excitement of learning.

Our **FREE** Summer Education Innovation Centers – at Rosa Parks School in Sac City Unified, F.C. Joyce School in Twin Rivers, and Thomas Edison Language Institute in San Juan Unified - are operating through July 30. The centers offer a variety of integrated hands-on experiences such as arts, social and emotional learning activities, outdoor education, physical activities, and science experiments. The participating third through eighth graders receive breakfast and lunch at no cost.

One of the most gratifying parts of the program is the fact that all participating students have peer mentors to work with them and support them. And those mentors are learning skills and gaining valuable experience that they could cite on a resume or job application.

## Pre-School & Toddler Program Anticipated In-person Instruction

For the past 23 years Ms. Paula has been working with parents, helping their pre-school child with socialization, balance, and hands on coordination skills. Ms. Paula, the parents, and the students are ready to return to in class instruction. There will be some changes and mandates to ensure the safety of the students, parents, and staff but the plan is to return to the classroom and play yard for Fall 2021 and beyond.

Holding deposits continue to be accepted during the summer for the Fall 2021 pre-school and toddler programs. You may register with Ms. Paula or at the McClaskey Adult Center. There are limited openings in all three classes. The 4-day morning preschool meets Monday through Thursday from 8:30am to 11:15am. The afternoon class meets from 12:00pm to 2:45pm, Monday through Friday. The Friday morning toddler class meets from 8:30am to 11:15am. A \$50 deposit is required to place a hold on a spot until September when school begins.

All classes have a parent participation component. Each parent/grandparent works in the classroom one day a week in the preschool classes. In the Friday toddler program for the two-year-olds, a parent/grandparent must be always with the child. For more information call Ms. Paula at 247-3335.

## Cristo Rey High School Sacramento Graduation Celebration 2021

By David Perry, President

On a beautiful Saturday morning in early June on the campus of Cristo Rey High School, the graduating class of 2021 received their diplomas in a ceremony that honored the dignity and the effort of the students. With the support of families, friends, faculty, and a limited number of the broader Cristo Rey community 79 seniors were granted their high school diploma. Almost every senior is leaving Cristo Rey with plans in place for continuing their education at the College level, with the vast majority planning on attending CSU Sacramento. Stingers up! In addition to CSU Sacramento, we had students accepted to each of the 9 campuses in the UC system, with the largest groups accepted to UC Davis and UC Merced. Students were admitted to Santa Clara University, Notre Dame, Fordham, USC, UOP, and USF to name a few.

Wonderful speeches were offered by our Valedictorian, Luis Enriquez, our Salutatorian, Esme Rosas, and we



were lead in prayer by our Cristo Rey Saint Award recipient, Ralph Tronci. We are grateful to the students for their valiant effort this year and over the course of their time at Cristo Rey. We know that that they are the future leaders and we know they are committed to making a positive contribution to our society.

Cristo Rey High School Sacramento is excited to return to full time, in-person learning in the fall when we will welcome back over 320 students for the 2021-2022 academic year. If you would like to learn more about Cristo Rey, please visit our website at [www.crhss.org](http://www.crhss.org).

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## Sac State Prepares to Safely Welcome the Hornet Family Back to Campus

By Dixie Reid

Sacramento State will be alive with more activity than it has experienced since the March 2020 COVID-19 shutdown, with faculty, staff, and thousands of students returning to campus this fall. That optimistic outlook is grounded in the reality of near-constant change in local, state, and federal safety guidelines that keep some details still undetermined. The message to the campus community, however, is clear: Be ready to come back.

The University is embracing the theme “Hornet Family. Together Again,” and Sac State leaders are working to ensure students will have a safe and successful fall semester when instruction begins Monday, August 30. Students will find classrooms upgraded with “smart” elements. Other improvements include more Wi-Fi availability and new shaded outdoor venues for studying and safely gathering with friends. Air conditioning system (HVAC) filters have been upgraded, too.

The return also will effect on-campus living, with about 2,000 students expected to settle into the North Village residence halls and up to 1,100 students at Hornet Commons, a new apartment-style complex on the south end of campus. Residence hall occupancy had been limited significantly during the



Spring 2020, Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters. Other campus amenities, including the University Union, University Library, The WELL, athletic events, and performing arts performances are planning for a full re-opening for the fall semester.

COVID health and safety measures will remain in place until the CSU and Sac State can align with the changing guidelines determined by various government agencies. New government guidelines are expected to be rolled out this summer, and the University plans to have revised safety protocols in place soon after.



## Greetings from Rosemont High School! By Elizabeth Vigil, Principal

What a great end to a challenging year for our seniors and their families! The Rosemont High School 2021 Graduation Ceremony at Sutter Health Park was a memorable celebration of the resilience and grit that characterized this amazing group of students. The Wolverine spirit prevailed, and they continued to thrive, despite all of the challenges brought on by the pandemic. 87 seniors earned the distinction of Golden State Seal Merit Scholar, and 57 earned the California State Seal of Biliteracy for demonstrating the ability to read, write, and speak another language.

Our seniors committed to UCs, CSUs, and colleges, universities, and other post-secondary programs across the country. Lauren Van Der Kamp will play softball at St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn, New York. Akaash Maharaj is joining the Marine Corps. Adam Del Toro Brown will be maintaining our fleet of Black Hawk Helicopters in the United States Army. Valedictorian Kieu Anh Nguyen Le will attend Notre Dame. Vladyslava Noga earned a full scholarship to UC Davis where she will study pharmaceutical chemistry, and Dale Johnson will be joining the apprenticeship program at the local 447. Rosemont softball continued to dominate and the ladies won a league championship! 3 seniors were selected to the Optimist All Star game. Eli Enriquez was named Sierra Valley Conference League MVP in softball and received the Rob Jones Memorial Scholarship for her athletic ability, her leadership, and her character both on and off the field. All 7 seniors on the softball team will be attending college next year, and 6 will be playing softball for their respective schools. We are so proud of the class of 2021! Go Big Blue!



## Cruising with Curbside Commencement By Tami Nelson, Los Rios Community College District Trustee

Los Rios Community College District held its first ever "drive-thru" commencement for students, families, and friends. LRCCD's four colleges had commencement routes that featured music and themed cheer stations to celebrate 2020 and 2021 classes. Special treats were handed out by campus staff, faculty, and administration, and college presidents and trustees presented graduates with diploma covers as grads were cheered on. It was a festive event, with many participants decorating their vehicles (we also had several limos and party busses!). Looking on the positive side, there were some benefits to hosting commencement in this manner.

Curbside Commencement was open for several hours, so participants could attend at their convenience. They could go after work, or time the drive so families could attend dinner afterwards. Tickets were not needed and there were no limitations to the number of guests who could attend, so some students had a caravan of supporters. Things were more informal, which allowed for conversation and interaction between students, family members, and staff. All in all, Curbside Commencement was a success and an event to remember!



**Dr. Edward Bush, CRC President, greets graduates at curbside commencement.**

## California Montessori Project-Capitol Campus

By Bernie Evangelista, Principal

We made it to the end of the 2020-2021 school year! While we were in distance learning for the majority of the time, it was so good to have the students back in March for hybrid learning. We had two groups of students who came two days of the week on Monday and Tuesday and another group came on Thursday and Friday. The rest of the days they were not in the school, the students did distance learning. The students, parents and staff were happy to be back in school. We also had some students who did full time distance learning the whole year. At the end of the year, our Kindergarten students had a drive by promotion. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students had an in-person graduation on campus and only immediate family members and staff came. It was such a special moment to be celebrating the achievements of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders through the years. Congratulations!

This summer, we have Club steM, a summer learning program offered four weeks in June and four weeks in July. Students are working on Montessori lessons, Kids Math, Project Lead the Way, and iReady Math and Reading.

Next school year, we plan on returning to school and having the students back daily. We are looking forward to what 2021-2022 brings. After having survived this year, we are stronger, better, and more determined to provide the best educational experience to our students.



## Sacramento's New Building Electrification Ordinance Aligns with SMUD's Zero Carbon Plan

By Gregg Fishman, SMUD Ward 3 Director

The Sacramento City Council recently passed a building electrification ordinance establishing phased requirements for new construction to be all-electric. The ordinance requires all new residential and commercial buildings under three stories to be all-electric beginning in 2023. New buildings four stories or higher must be all-electric by 2026.

The city's new ordinance aligns with the goals and direction of SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan. As SMUD's reliance on carbon-based fuels decreases every year, the electrification of California's two largest energy sectors - buildings and vehicles - will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve local air quality.

It's important to note that the city's electrification ordinance includes exemptions for restaurant cooking through at least 2025 and additional waivers where suitable solutions are not available.

The electrification of buildings has been a part of SMUD's decarbonization effort since we launched an all-electric incentive program in 2018. Approximately 60 area builders and developers are participating in our Smart Homes program, with nearly 500 projects completed and another 2,400 all-electric units in the pipeline. Several affordable housing projects are included in the program.

SMUD's electric grid has the capacity to serve the growth in all-electric buildings. Reliability is a core SMUD value and will always be given top priority. We have the resources and capital investment plans in place to ensure that all customer energy needs are met as building and transportation electrification becomes more prevalent.

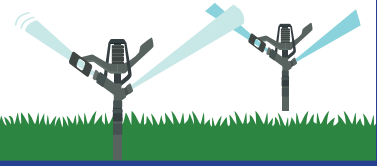
We offer many programs and rebates to help with the transition, and we look forward to working with local businesses, including restaurants and manufacturing, to support a successful transition. Visit [www.smud.org/rebates](http://www.smud.org/rebates) to learn more.

## Water Schedule 2021

*2 Day Watering Schedule Began March 1*

- Addresses ending with an ODD number water on Tuesday and Saturday.
- Addresses ending with an EVEN number water on Wednesday and Sunday.

**Water before 10 am or after 7 pm**



### Editorial Policy

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## Hello Neighbors!

From the Desk of Councilman Eric Guerra

As the state and region look forward to safely reopen the economy and many of our public amenities to our families, we encourage everyone to be thoughtful about public interactions and closely monitor local and state health guidelines.

The new June 15th health order has eliminated many previous restrictions such as physical distancing, capacity limits on businesses, and the county tier system. The order still places limited restrictions related to mask use and big public events, as well as settings serving children and youth.

For more details and up to date information, please visit the Sacramento County Public Health Department website at <https://www.saccounty.net/COVID-19/>

The Sacramento City Council approved a balanced budget that prioritizes the needs of many of our families and residents in this City. The budget highlights increased funding I advocated for to meet the needs of unhoused children and families, an increase of resources for background checks and accountability in the Sacramento Police Department, funding for diversity and outreach in the Fire Department to create employment opportunities for residents, and restoration of the 4th R Program to meet the needs of working parents.

As we move forward toward a post-COVID economy, this budget, combined with the future allocation of \$112 Million in the American Recovery Act funding will help our community get back to work and restore services and programming for youth and families.

As always, should you have any issues or concerns, please contact my office at 916.808.7006 or visit our city website to get in touch with my district staff <http://www.cityofsacramento.org/Mayor-Council/Districts/District6>.

## Sacramento County 2021-22 Budget

From the Desk of Supervisor Rich Desmond

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously on June 10 to approve a \$6.5 billion recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22. This year we were able to avoid significant reductions to County programs and we invested in various new areas.

The \$6.5 billion budget consists of \$2.437 billion in Enterprise and Special Revenue Fund expenditures (funded through utility rates, fees and other dedicated revenue), \$3.147 billion in General Fund, and \$947 million in Restricted Funds (funded with federal, State revenue dedicated for a particular purpose).

County staff did an excellent job of engaging with the public to provide opportunities to understand the budget process and allow them to voice their priorities. I look forward to an even more robust community engagement process.

The budget reflects a commitment to equity and inclusion issues, the needs of the homeless in our community, providing an alternative response to people experiencing mental illness, addressing critical needs for capital improvements in the Parks system and at the Mather Community Campus, and improving the condition of County roads. Lastly, I am pleased that I was able to lead the charge to set aside \$500,000 for a youth center in the underserved community of North Highlands.

The Board will soon be discussing the \$300 million received from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan Act. I encourage you to contact me with any comments or questions you may have regarding this funding or any issues pertaining to District 3 and Sacramento County. I can be contacted at [richdesmond@saccounty.net](mailto:richdesmond@saccounty.net) or at 874-5471.

## CA Budget Update

From the Desk of Assemblymember McCarty

Thank you for your continued advocacy on behalf of your neighborhood. I want to take this opportunity to share updates with you.

The Governor's May Revised Proposed Budget is in line with California goals and mostly in line with our Assembly Blueprint Budget-- addressing homelessness/housing, education, healthcare and providing economic relief for families and small businesses struggling to overcome financial hardships brought by COVID-19.

As Chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Education Finance and champion for early education, there are many victories in the Governor's plan for children and families. The budget makes investments in our schools to ensure ALL schools reopen in the fall for the 2021-22 school year. In addition, there was \$96B invested in ongoing funds for \$21k in per-pupil funding – the highest watermark ever for K-12 education. The proposed budget also includes Universal Transitional Kindergarten which will provide every 4 year old in the state access to a high quality early education. To further support working and low-income families throughout the year, the budget also includes \$1B for increased availability of before/after school/summer programs. The budget also includes \$3.5B for youth behavioral health grants to ensure our students' mental health needs are addressed. A \$2.2B for College Savings Accounts for low-income 1st graders which will help transform lives and prepare our students for higher learning as well. For college students, investments were made to expand middle-class scholarships, and \$4B for Higher Education student housing and the Debt Free College plan, via Cal Grant expansion and modernization, which will support many more students in being able to graduate college without suffering from tremendous debt.

It is my honor to represent you in the California State Assembly, and I will continue to work in the legislature to deliver on these issues in 2021 and beyond. Please stay connected and visit my webpage at <https://a07.asmdc.org> for continued updates on legislation.

## 28th Annual Virtual SPCA Doggy Dash Well Supported

Organizers for the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Sacramento SPCA opted to continue with the virtual walk one-more year in place of the traditional walk-in-the Park Doggy Dash. Like last year, residents supported the event by taking their four-legged companion for a walk in their neighborhoods to support the cause. The event raised over \$165,000 for the Sacramento SPCA. For information about services offered by the Sacramento SPCA and other activities visit <https://www.sspca.org> any time of the year.

## Neighborhood Parks Reopen!

Oki and Glenbrook Parks are open for use again. The basketball courts, dog parks, tennis courts, playgrounds, baseball fields, picnic areas, and swimming pool are ready again being enjoyed by the neighborhood. However, while the City parks are re-opening, City Hall remains closed to the public. Zoom remains the standard for all City related meetings.

### Swim at Oki Park Pool

Oki main pool is again open to the public! Admission is \$2 for youth (17 and under) and \$4 for (Adults 18 and older). The main pool areas are currently staffed with lifeguards. However, the wading pool and mushroom area will remain closed until they can be staffed with lifeguards. The Coloma Center at 4623 T Street remains closed to the public due to COVID so the traditional frequent swimmer cards and pool rentals are not currently available.

In order to swim in water greater than chest depth, participants must pass a swim test. The swim test is administered by aquatics staff and a wrist band will be provided to participants who successfully pass it.

A patron must submerge their head under water, surface, and then immediately swim the width of the pool (15 yards) on their front while comfortably maintaining forward movement without touching the bottom or sides of the pool. Patrons are not permitted to stand on stairs or structures in the pool adjacent to the water that is greater than chest depth if they have not passed the swim test.

Non-swimmers (those who have not passed the swim test and the water is greater than chest depth) must remain within an arm's reach of a supervising adult.

Only aquatic department issued lifejackets are permitted. No other forms of flotation are permitted. Anyone in a lifejacket is considered a non-swimmer and must remain within arm's reach of a supervision adult.





## Councilmember Officially Opens Oki Park Playground

Councilmember Eric Guerra has officially opened the all-new Oki Park play area. This is not an up-grade; it is a complete replacement. All the old concrete was hauled off and a new foundation for the play area was put in place. Councilmember Guerra was joined by area neighbors and staff to officially open the all-new Oki Park play area.





## Stay Safe This Summer

By Lt. Aaron Wallace / Sacramento Police Department

Summer is here and the Sacramento Police Department would like to share some prevention tips regarding home and auto burglaries.

### HOME BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS

- Get to know your neighbors and what vehicles belong at their house.
- When something doesn't look right, call the police.
- With the summer heat and cool nights, it is easy to leave a window open; remember to lock your doors and windows.
- Put locks on gates that lead to backyards.
- If leaving on vacation, set up mail to be collected or stored at USPS.
- Install outdoor motion lights.
- If possible, install motion activated cameras, like a Ring, Nest, or Arlo to identify people coming onto your property.

### AUTO THEFT PREVENTION TIPS

- Never leave your vehicle unattended and running.
- Park in your garage, if available.
- Park in a well-lit and highly visible location.
- Don't leave valuables in your vehicle and if you must, make sure they are not visible.
- Close all windows tightly (summer heat) and lock all doors.
- If you park in a parking garage take your ticket or access key with you. That is the thief's ticket out.
- And remember these three things: HIDE your things; LOCK your car; TAKE your keys.

The Sacramento Police Department wants to work with you to make your home and neighborhood a safer place to live, work, and play. For more information about partnerships with the Police Department, including crime summaries, filing reports online, our transparency page, and other great safety tips, visit our website! <https://www.cityofsacramento.org/police>

## Changes at Sac County Probation

By Seandre King

On April 19, 2021, Chief Probation Officer Lee Seale announced his resignation from the Sacramento County Probation Department. During Seale's eight years with probation, he was at the forefront of probation, promoting positive change by applying innovative methods for assisting clients while increasing safety in the community. Seale was selected by a unanimous vote to serve as the next Executive Officer of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento beginning June 2021.

Marlon Yarber was appointed as the Interim Chief Probation Officer in April. Chief Yarber has decades of experience in the probation field and has been an Assistant Chief Probation Officer (ACPO) for Sacramento County for seven years. He had oversight of Adult Operations from 2013 through 2018 then transitioned to Juvenile Operations overseeing the Youth Detention Facility Juvenile Court, Juvenile Field, and Placement.

With Marlon's appointment, ACPO Julie Wherry has been entrusted with oversight of Professional Standards as well as both Adult and Juvenile Operations. Wherry began her career with probation in 1998 as a Probation Aide assigned to the Youth Detention Facility, and over two decades, acquired extensive experience throughout the department. She was appointed to ACPO in March of 2018.

Probation staff will truly miss Chief Seale's excellent leadership and dedication to our department and the community, but we are excited about the future and know through their excellent leadership, Marlon Yarber and Julie Wherry will lead probation to continued success.

## Busy Year at Fire Station 60

By Dale Maddox, Station 60

It has been a busy year for station 60. We responded to 2,641 calls last year. That is an increase of 1.5% compared to 2019. Calls received in this area and responded to by other units when Engine 60 is busy add an additional 1058 calls in our little corner of the City. Overall, your Sacramento Fire Department ran 94,215 calls in 2020 out of 24 fire houses.

Here are just a few items of interest-

Check the batteries in your smoke detector, check the batteries in your CO detector. If your detector begins making noise and you suspect that there is no reason – it could be trying to tell you that it's time for replacement. Check the underside of your detector and it will say what the different beeps mean and sometimes have an expiration date as well. If you have any doubts, call 911.

The Department website is a great resource for information at [www.cityofsacramento.org/fire](http://www.cityofsacramento.org/fire). Most questions can be answered there. For example, the prevention link is a resource if you have questions about code violations.

Last but not least, if you plan on heading out to one of our water sources for some fun, please don't forget your personal flotation device. If you would like to borrow one, please stop by any of these fire stations and we will loan them out to you - 1, 5, 8, 11, 15, and 60.

Have a great summer!

### CGNA/Foundation Board Members

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## Crime Down Almost 50% in Our Neighborhoods!

By Ron Alvarado

Compared to the same period in 2020, crime is down 47% for the period January 1 through May 31. Crime went down in just about every category reported, with a noticeable uptick only in weapons violations, which increased 59% during this time period this year over the same period in 2020. Perhaps this can be attributed to the uptick in gun sales which occurred in California during the height of the pandemic year.

At any rate, this is great news for our area and hopefully the trend downward will continue with the pandemic apparently receding.

| Reported Crime                 | January 1 thru May 31, 2021 | January 1 thru May 31, 2020 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Theft                          | 76                          | 124                         |
| Burglaries from motor vehicles | 23                          | 54                          |
| Aggravated Assault             | 27                          | 67                          |
| Motor Vehicle Theft            | 35                          | 40                          |
| Burglary-Commercial            | 11                          | 47                          |
| Burglary-Residential           | 17                          | 43                          |
| Drugs/Narcotics Violations     | 32                          | 37                          |
| Robbery-Individual             | 14                          | 15                          |
| Arson                          | 6                           | 4                           |
| Robbery-Commercial             | 0                           | 47                          |
| Shoplifting                    | 4                           | 6                           |
| Vandalism                      | 6                           | 28                          |
| Weapons Violations             | 27                          | 17                          |
| DUI                            | 12                          | 11                          |
| Homicide/Manslaughter          | 0                           | 2                           |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>290</b>                  | <b>542</b>                  |

## Association Supports Full Funding for Police and Fire Departments

The College-Glen Neighborhood Association has long supported the Sacramento Fire and Police Departments. In 2015 the Association teamed up with Police Chief Samuel Somers Jr. and the Sacramento Police Department in a 50/50 joint funding project to place five Police Observation Devices (POD) cameras around the perimeter of the College-Greens and Glenbrook neighborhoods. Since then, the Sacramento Fire and Police Departments have attended our Annual Meetings at Fire Station 60, our Holiday/Appreciation Dinners, and our Neighborhood Family Night Out events.

Recently, the Association/Foundation Board voted to write a letter in support of full funding for the Sacramento Police Department with support for additional officers. The Association/Foundation has always supported our local law enforcement and fire departments and will continue to do so as we view their services as crucial to the safety and well-being of our neighborhoods, area business, residents, and youth. When you call 911 these are the city employees that will be there to help.



**Supporting the College-Glen Neighborhood Family Night Out.**

## Help Keep the Neighborhood Clean and Safe

The CGNA window sticker includes the phone numbers of the Mayor and Council District 6 offices. The Association continues to be concerned by the accumulation of trash in and about our neighborhoods as well as unlicensed vehicles and overnight campers parked in our neighborhoods, especially in the La Riviera and Howe Ave area. We believe these activities present a potential health hazard to the community and the residents. The City can respond only when they are contacted and alerted to problems. If we want to have a clean, safe community, we all need to participate in the effort and collectively work to keep the Mayor and the Councilmember's offices aware of issues within our neighborhoods. Do not wait for someone else to call it in.

If you see trash or unwanted and abandoned items in our community, take a photo with your cell phone, send it to Council District 6 with an address of the problem area and ask to have the issue resolved.

- Mayor's Office: [dsteinberg@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:dsteinberg@cityofsacramento.org)  
808-5300
- Guerra's Office: [eguerra@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:eguerra@cityofsacramento.org)  
808-7006



If the area is not cleared within 24 hours, e-mail and call again until the area is clean. We must work with City if we want to have a clean and safe community.

## Neighbors Ask for Parking Limits on La Riviera

Councilmember Guerra has received a volume of complaints and suggestions from area residents related to overnight campers on La Riviera under the Howe Avenue overpass.

This has been a concern in this area for years. When the City had year-round green waste street pick-up it was a dump ground for yard waste on a regular basis. Now it is home for overnight camping in RVs and cars.

Suggestions for dealing with the issues to date have varied from no parking to limited vehicle parking for example two/three hours parking (eg. 7:00am to 10pm with no parking 9:00pm to 6:00am. Other more creative suggestions have included bright lights under the bridge and landscaping with large river rocks or two dog parks (one for large dogs and one for small dogs). The Association agrees that it is time to take action.

We encourage everyone to e-mail your suggestions to Councilmember Guerra's office for review. The Association also suggests that when we can return to face-to-face gatherings, there be a meeting to review potential solutions.

To share your thoughts with the community and City staff e-mail your proposed solution to [eguerra@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:eguerra@cityofsacramento.org).





## Sacramento City College Baseball Clinic Comes to College-Glen

Because the Los Rios Community College District is officially closed, Steve Gill the Sacramento City College (SCC) Baseball Camps Director brought his youth program to the College Glen Little League fields for Summer 2021. The SCC Baseball Camps have been around for 37 years. The summer camp programs are for players 5-12 years old and provide all around baseball training clinics including throwing, fielding, hitting, catching, pitching, base running, outfield, and infield play. However, Camp Director Gill emphasizes that the primary goal is for every player to have an enjoyable and positive learning experience.





## Bancroft Dumpster has Shelf for Flat Cardboard

The value of the dumpster, both financially and environmentally, varies with the volume of cardboard we are able to put into the dumpsters for each pickup. Cardboard needs to be flat and stacked neatly for maximum benefit. To help with that process a shelf has been placed outside of the dumpster for flat cardboard. Everyone is encouraged to flatten their boxes, then to place the flat cardboard on a shelf. For cardboard boxes that cannot be easily flattened place those boxes to the side of the dumpster, and they will be placed in the dumpster just prior to the next pickup. This process will help to increase the volume that can be placed in the dumpster. Neighbors have already started using the shelf area and we are thankful for your assistance!



## Area Bees get a new Home

Alex with Bee Services has treated our area bees to a new home. Alex picked up the old home (hive) late in the evening when the bees were asleep. He took the bees in their current hive to a new location and transferred them to a new hive. Alex keeps them in the new hive for a few days at this new location far away from the previous location. Then brought them back to the previous location. The transfer from one hive to another at a new location was necessary to not confuse or disrupt the bees. Since the season is tapering off the bees will settle in their new home and be ready come the next spring to get back to work.



## Water At Tiscornia Beach In Discovery Park Is Contaminated And Unsafe For Swimming

By Stephen Green, Save the American River Association

Water tests have been conducted every Saturday at Tiscornia Beach at the mouth of the American River since July 2020 by three retired university professors. Once out of the rainy season, the tests have consistently found E.coli bacteria levels that exceed U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standards for safe swimming. "E.coli represents risk of disease because it comes from feces which can carry any number of diseases from infected people, including Shigella dysentery and Salmonella," said Robert Metcalf, professor emeritus, Biological Sciences, Sacramento State University. "EPA recommendations for swimming water set 320/100 milliliters (3.2 per one ml—about 1/5 teaspoon) as the maximum acceptable level of contamination. Our tests show that level is regularly exceeded at Tiscornia Beach." "Hundreds of children use this beach and they are most vulnerable to swallowing contaminated water," said Mary Beth Metcalf, MD, retired Clinical Professor of Pediatrics, UC Davis. "The elevated levels of pollution at Tiscornia Beach greatly increase the risk of disease." Alan Wade, professor emeritus, Social Work, Sacramento State University, noted that if tests found E.coli pollution at a coastal beach at the elevated levels detected at Tiscornia Beach, the beach would have been shut down months ago. "Save the American River Association has been urging local officials to close Tiscornia Beach or at least post easily seen and read signs on the beach warning beach users," Wade said. "But those requests have been ignored."

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**Thank You!**



## McClaskey Adult Center Classes

### Free Friday Morning Watercolor Mini-Workshop

Area Artist Woody Hansen is ready to restore his Free Friday Morning -Watercolor Mini-Workshops

Watercolor classes are held on the banks of the American River, Fridays, from 9:00am to 11:00am. All levels of students are welcome including observers, beginners, 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. Because this is an outdoor activity and weather condition are always a factor

Woody suggests that you check in with him via e-mail prior to each Friday class. Woody continues to offer watercolor classes in his home-studio and via distant learning. For more information on any of the classes, e-mail Woody at [watercolors@woodyhansen.com](mailto:watercolors@woodyhansen.com).



### Karate Classes Resumed In Person July 7th

The Uechi Ryu Karate class offered through the McClaskey Adult Center Thomas Jefferson Branch, resumed on Wednesday, July 7, 2021. Classes are Monday and Wednesday evenings. Children's classes run from 6pm to 7pm and adult classes meet from 7pm to 9:30pm.

Starting on Saturday, July 10, 2021, and running for four consecutive Saturdays at Noon for children and 1:00pm for adults, a free introduction to Okinawan Karate class is also being offered. The introduction class is aimed at providing a relaxed and supportive environment for exploring traditional Okinawan Karate. If you have ever been intrigued by the notion of studying karate, or if you are just looking for a unique way to exercise, please come check out the introductory class. One may also drop by the regular classes just to observe or to dip a toe in and give Uechi Ryu a try.

To learn more about the classes, and to enroll in the free introduction class, please give College Glen resident Robert Van Der Volgen Jr. a call at 801-9735.



### Music & Movement for Toddlers & Pre-Schoolers with Lisa Phenix

Music and Movement classes with Lisa Phenix remain on hold until a vaccination program is in place for this age group. For information on the program and to reserve a space when the program returns contact Lisa at [lisap@winfirst.com](mailto:lisap@winfirst.com) or call 719-6106.



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