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# **County Announces Online Building Permit Services**

Contractors and do-yourselfers can now apply and pay for permits, schedule inspections, check status online

Sacramento – Sacramento County has launched a new service designed to make the building permit process easier for contractors and residents. The web-based software, Accela Citizen Access<sup>TM</sup> provides users the ability to submit, pay for, and track the status of their permit applications online at anytime.

The service provides real-time, direct access to permits via the Internet, 24 hours a day - seven days a week. Citizens, licensed contractors and businesses can apply and pay for permits, schedule necessary inspections, check the status of a permit or inspection, provide detailed comments for the inspector and print an approved permit directly from the Internet.

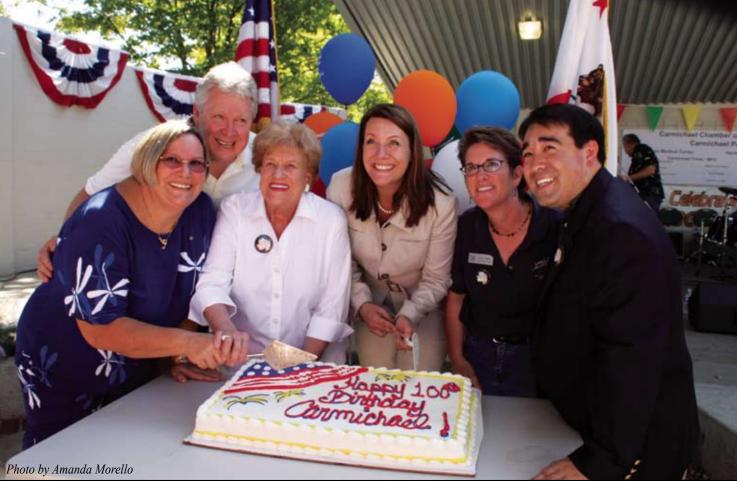
#### Visit http://www.bldginspection. org/ and click Online Services on the left.

"We understand that people expect to do business online, and we hope to continue to expand these online services," said Steve Pedretti, Director of Sacramento County Engineering. "We also know that time is money for

professional contractors who juggle numerous projects and need instant access to the status of their projects. Adding online selfservices to our existing public counter operations will help us serve our customers better."

By providing basic information including the location of the project, approximate job value, and contractor's license, permits for projects in the unincorporated County can be purchased using MasterCard, Discover and American Express. Payments on all permits in the County system, such as sewer and water permits, can be made regardless of jurisdiction. "Regional governments from coast to coast are being challenged as never before," noted Maury Blackman, CEO and President of Accela. "The most successful agencies will be those that reinvented their approaches and embraced new strategies. Sacramento County is embracing a private-sector

# 100 Years & Counting.



L-R: Trish Harrington, Chamber President; Ron Greenwood, President Carmichael Water District; Murial Johnson, Past County Supervisor, 3rd District; Assemblymember Alyson Huber; Tracy Kerth, Carmichael Park recreation Services Manager; Peter Tateishi, Carmichael's Honorary Mayor

*Carmichael* – Thousands of local activities for all ages of children. residents attended Carmichael's September 26th. The day was full excitement, enthusiasm and neighbors enjoying the festivities, food, vendors, including the great opening music played by the El Camino Eagle Band. There were many fun games and

Carmichael's own time the here and now so that our The opening ceremonies capsule was buried in the present day community can 100th birthday celebration at were lead by Honoary Mayor park at the end of the opening be forever frozen in time. Carmichael Park on Saturday, Peter Tateishi, along with ceremony. The Carmichael You can see more photographs Recreation and Park District and read the letter of thanks on collected artifacts had and items that accurately represent the community and its history. With all of the changes happening in our world today, Carmichael was captured in

approach: everyone wins when customers are empowered."

# **Californias Gas Use Rises 0.6% Diesel Declines 7%**

Betty T. Yee, Chairwoman of the Board of Equalization (BOE), recently announced that California gasoline consumption rose in May, while diesel fuel continued to decline. "We're in an uncertain time," said Chairwoman Yee. "While more fuel efficient cars and trucks are increasing fuel economy - and in light of some of the recently improved economic statistics - consumers remain cautious in their spending as the economy continues toward an uncertain recovery." Figures released show that gasoline

consumption rose by 3.5 percent from April, and was 0.6 percent higher than a year ago. Diesel consumption declined by 4.8 percent from April, and was 7.0 percent lower than a year ago. May 2009 gasoline sold for use on California roads totaled 1.29 billion gallons of gasoline, which was 0.6 percent above that of May 2008, when Californians consumed a total of 1.28 billion gallons of gasoline. A month-to-month comparison shows that gasoline consumption rose 3.5 percent in May when Californians consumed a total of 1.29 billion gallons of gasoline, compared with 1.25 billion gallons in April. Historically, May shows an increase over April, in part because of the Memorial Day holiday, which traditionally is the start of the summer when people travel more and consume more fuel.

The average California gasoline price at the pump in May was \$2.53 per gallon, a 37.1 percent decline from the average price the same month last year when it was \$4.02. Gasoline sold at the lower price in May generated approximately \$241 million in sales tax during that month, an estimated \$139 million less than was generated last year.

May 2009 diesel fuel sold for use on California roads totaled 209 million gallons of diesel, which is a 7.0 percent decline, or 15.8 million gallons less than May 2008, when Californians consumed a total of 225 million gallons ofdiesel.Amonth-to-month comparison shows that diesel consumption declined 4.8 percent in May when Californians consumed a total of 209 million gallons of diesel, compared with 220 million gallons in April.

California diesel prices were \$2.35 per gallon in May down 49.6 percent compared to last year, when the average diesel price was \$4.67 per gallon. The BOE is able to monitor gallons through tax receipts paid by fuel distributors. Figures for June 2009 are scheduled to be available at the end of September 2009. All monthly, quarterly, and annual figures can be viewed on the BOE website at: www. boe.ca.gov/sptaxprog/spftrpts.htm.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

Source: California State Board of Equalization

Trish Harrington, Carmichael Commerce Chamber of President. Dignitaries speaking were the ceremonies at Congressman Dan Lungren, Assemblyman Roger Niello and Supervisor Susan Peters.

page two of the newspaper from the Chamber of Commerce to all of the supporting sponsors and volunteers who helped make the event a wonderful day for all those who attended.

# California Museum Presents *Out of this World*:

Extraordinary Costumes from Film and Television Opens October 3rd, 2009

Sacramento – The California Museum, the institution that hosted Sacramento's highly popular Lincoln exhibition, is switching out the historical exhibition and making way for something fantastically orbital. On October 3rd, the general public will be able to visit Out of this World: Extraordinary Costumes from Film and Television, an exhibition highlighting Hollywood's science most memorable fiction and fantasy costumes.

Costumes and props from Star Wars, The Terminator, Star Trek, the Indiana Jones series and many more science fiction, action, and fantasy movies and television shows from the last 70 years - illustrate how costume design incorporates color, style, materials, traditions and cultural to engage performers cues and audience members alike.

For example, Darth Vader's cape, helmet and light saber from Star Wars and The Empire Strikes Back will be on display. The Sith Lord's ominous look, created by John Mallo was designed to trigger not only historical associations, but emotional ones as well. The costume was assembled from four 20th Century Fox costume

genres, combining a World War II German helmet, a monk's cloak, a motorcyclist's leather undersuit, and a medieval breastplate. Among the 50 costumes and props exhibited are: · Leather jacket worn by

Harrison Ford in Indiana Jones: The Last Crusade; accompanied by the Holy Grail, as well as Indy's whip and the headpiece from the Staff of Ra from Raiders of the Lost Ark

· Leather jacket worn by Arnold Schwarzenegger in The Terminator

• Hat worn by the Wicked Witch of the West in The Wizard of Oz · Starfleet uniform worn by Captain Jean-Luc Picard in Star Trek: The Next Generation · Tunic and sash worn by

Captain Kirk in Star Trek · Costume worn by George Clooney as Batman in Batman & Robin

· Luke Skywalker's light saber from Star Wars and X-wing pilot flight suit used in *The Empire* Strikes Back

· Riddler costume worn by Jim Carrey in Batman Forever · Jumpsuit, proton pack,

and utility belt worn by Dan Ackroyd in Ghostbusters II

· Costume worn by Christopher Lambert as Connor MacLeod in The Highlander

· Klingon warrior uniform used in numerous Star Trek films and television episodes

· Mask, tunic, and gloves worn by the character **Gorn**, who fought Captain Kirk on Star Trek

The exhibit opens Saturday, October 3rd and closes January 10th, 2010.

Museum members will be the first to experience this fantastical exhibit on Thursday, October 1, 2009 at an out of this world opening reception. Members will find themselves drinking in the Star Wars cantina and eating from a table based on monkey brains scene from Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom. Prizes will be awarded to the guest with the most outrageous costume. They could win:

· Domestic **airfare** through United Airlines. (Ticketing must be complete by 12/31/09, and travel must be complete by 3/31/10.)

· Le Rivage/Scott's Seafood package, which includes one night river view room accommodations, a \$100 Scott's Seafood gift certificate and a

50-minute massage at Spa LaLe. • Four suite tickets to the "Star Wars: In Concert" - a stage production of the movie saga score by a full orchestra and narrated by Anthony Daniels, the actor who portrayed C-3PO.

То become a member take part in and this extraterrestrial event, contact the Museum at (916) 653-1752.



# FOUNDERS DAY SPECIAL "THANK YOU's"

I would like to give a sincere HUGE "Thank You" to those volunteers that spent the last 9 months creating and achieving the best Founder's Day on record and a memory of a lifetime.

Thank you, Congressman Dan Lungren, Assemblymember Roger Niello, Assemblymember Alyson Huber, Supervisor Susan Peters, Chief Deputy Robert Landry on behalf of Sheriff McGinness, Carmichael Recreation and Park Board members, Carmichael Water District Board members, Fair Oaks Cemetery District Board members, Donna Deterding and the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce Board members for participating in the Opening Ceremonies.

Our original vision of a community celebration to honor Carmichael's 100th Birthday brought games, crafts, prizes and smiles to over 400 children.

Thank you, Desiree Traynor of Costco for your energy and spirit. The volunteers at the Kids Zone include Jacob Whitney, Wee Times Preschool, Trista Durkee, Lisa Montez, Lori McLean, Vicky and Ashley Hardigan, Chris Schoonveld, and the RX-Staffing team, students from Orangevale Open and Louis Pasteur Middle School. And Janet Taylor and her staff of Jest for Laughs for donating extra inflatables and the rock wall. Jim O'Donnell and Debbie Lyons of Kraft Real Estate for donating equipment and helping with the kids games. And the Wall Carmichael's outstanding youths that volunteer at the Kids Zone in shifts when we were in a pinch. I heard they had a blast giving away prizes to smiling little faces. Also, Ken Miller of SMUD, for bringing portable solar panels to power the inflatables.

Carmichael Park's Tracy Kerth and Elizabeth Crisante, and other staff members took the lead in the Entertainment line-up, and overall park set-up and maintenance. This event would not have been a success with out their commitment and endless hours of planning. Thank you Jack Harrison, Carmichael Park District Administrator, for all your support.

Thank You, to those who helped mark the grass for the booths on Friday afternoon: Fred Rivas, Tom Chrisman, the El Camino High School Band members and their parents.

Thank You, Cheryl Hinton for taking on the Raffle from beginning to end. And of course, Judy and Terry Sweeny for helping sell raffle tickets. Thank You, Linda Melody, for using every networking opportunity to promote Founder's Day, soliciting sponsorships, vendors, and raffle prizes.

Thank You, Donn Reiners for the original conceptual event design and maps. And for Lady Carmichael - she started the ball of enthusiasm rolling in April. Thank You, Bernice Holbert and Jean Prather, of the Carmichael Geranium Society for working in the Chamber

On behalf of the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce office, answering the phones, processing the applications and maintaining the vendor and car show databases. Thank you The Cappuccino Cruisers, their car show

team parked over 70 classic cars and entertained the crowd with music from each generation from the 40's on up.

Thank you, Gary Andersen for personally escorting vendors to their booth locations and fixing any glitches along the way, then staffing the Chamber booth for the entire day. Thank you, Mel Piercey of Copy Plus for

printing everything down to the last moment. Thank You, Paul Scholl of Carmichael Times - MPG

for helping us promote this once in a lifetime event. Thank you, Susan Skinner for tirelessly promoting Founder's Day, soliciting sponsors, creating an historical exhibit, performing with the John Skinner Band and helping me remember all the little things that make an event so memorable.

Thank you to my husband, Jim Kingdon for helping me setup Saturday morning and helping other vendors setup their booths and loaning out your equipment to those in need. And for taking on the cooking, grocery shopping and kids carpool for the past two weeks. Thank you to my son Jimmy Kingdon for helping vendors set up their booths, putting away chairs at the band shell and loading the Chamber equipment at the end of the day.

Thank you to my daughter Emily Kingdon for helping setup the Kids Zone and helping Elizabeth blow up all those balloons. Thank you, Kiwanis Club for a great BBQ dinner - that hit the spot just when we needed it most.

Thank you, Pyro Spectaculars, Inc and Steve Souza for an amazing, spectacular, awesome fireworks show. Thank you, Peter Tateishi, our Honorary Mayor and Emcee

for a tremendous job from the beginning of the Opening Ceremonies to end of the last fireworks explosion. We are so lucky to have you in our Chamber and in our community.

Thank you, Trish Harrington, our Chamber President for proving leadership and accountability when we needed it most. And for doing ALL the things no one else had the time to do.

Thank you to all of the vendors for participating. I saw some very innovative booths and plenty of cool give-aways. Thank you, to all of the generous sponsors of our

event – we could not have done this without your support. My face still hurts from smiling all day, but it's a good pain. I knew it was a total success when Peter Tateishi said his closing remarks after the outstanding fireworks show

and hopped off the stage with the biggest grin on his face.

Thank you, everyone -

Kris Kingdon *Executive Director, Carmichael Chamber of Commerce* 



El Camino "Eagles" High School Band perform many rousing numbers for enthusiastic Founders Day crowd.

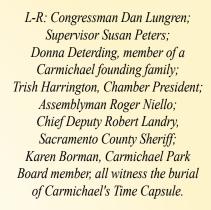
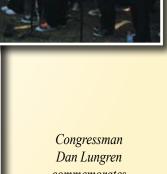


Photo by Amanda Morello



commemorates Carmichael's 100th Anniversary during the Opening Ceremonies.

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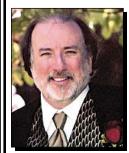


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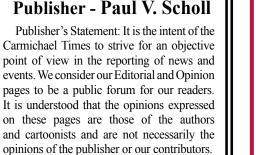
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# **CONGRATULATIONS!!!** The O'Donnell Heritage Park Planned to Open Summer 2010!



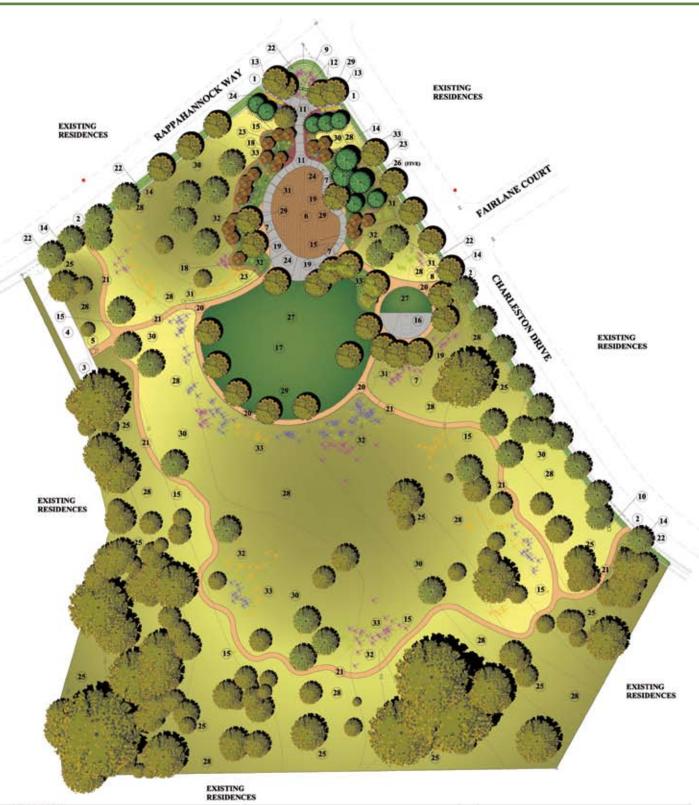
#### By Vern Chang

The Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved Plan B for the O'Donnell Heritage Park project on September 15, 2009. Through Plan B, the Carmichael Recreation and Park District (CRPD) Management Team invited the community to participate in the development of O'Donnell Heritage Park, one of its 4 remaining undeveloped parks. Plan B required a combination of \$260,000 in CRPD tax dollars and a contribution of \$235,000 from the O'Donnell Neighborhood Park Committee (ONPC). The community contribution was due August 31, 2009. By the August deadline, the ONPC had raised \$208,000 (90% of the \$235,000). Based on the extraordinary effort displayed by ONPC, the CRPD advisory board unanimously (1) forwarded Plan B for approval by the Sacramento Board of Supervisors, and (2) approved fund raising for the remaining 10% through the construction period. TheBoardofSupervisorsapproved Plan B on September 15, 2009.

Come to the Ground Breaking on October 10, 2009! You are all invited to join the CRPD Advisory Board, Management staff, and ONPC committee members for the O'Donnell Heritage Park ground breaking

10, 2009. Light refreshments will be served along with music. Construction will begin at the end of October. IF ALL GOES WELL, O'DONNELL PARK WILLOPEN BY SUMMER 2010. Park Design Features (See design layout on this page). Once completed, the O'Donnell Heritage Park will include the following design features: (1) tot lot play structure for ages 0 to 5, (2) play structure for ages 5 to 12, (3) 3 point shooting court for ages 12 and above, (4) cooling mister, (5) benches and tables, (6) shade structures, (7) 28,000 square foot play field, (8) pet waste station, (9) 2,000 foot walk/tricycle/bicycle trail, (10) butterfly garden, (11) security lights, and (12) recognition of major donors and memory brick donors. Additional native trees and shrubs will be planted to further enhance the park's beauty.

Your Help Is Still Needed! The committee still needs to raise the remaining \$27,000 and will need volunteers to help with the construction phase. To make a donation or buy a memory brick (\$125 each) -Call Ben Yates (967.6349). To volunteer and help with construction - Call Ed Nicholson (966.5400). To refer a contractor - Call Vern Chang (961.1577).



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### **MASTER SITE PLAN**



# **Sertoma Club to Host October-Fest**

#### October 10, 2009, 6:00pm - 10:00pm La Sierra Community Center 1525 Engle Drive, Carmichael Tickets are \$25.00, contact 916-966-3629

Featuring: Authentic German food, live band, dancing, silent auction, mustard tasting, and lots of fun. Beer and wine available at additional cost!

SERTOMA stands for SERvice (Children's Choice for Hearing TO Mankind and is the third oldest service in America. 501C3, not for profit civic organization. All funds raised by this event will be returned 100 % to local sponsorships including: Dewey School hearing impaired program, David Lubin School hearing impaired program, CCHAT Center

and Talking), Del Oro School hearing impaired program, Camp Sign-shine and Camp Grizzly for hearing impaired children, Mustard Seed School for homeless children, Children's Crisis Nursery, Clean and Sober programs, Ski for Light (cross country skiing for blind), plus many other sponsorships.

# Mission Oaks Genealogy Club **Monthly Meeting**

Carmichael - On October 15, Mission Oaks Genealogy Club will meet from 1-3 p.m. at Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Drive, Carmichael. The program will feature membership publications, source

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books, heirlooms and artistic creations. Refreshment will be served. Visitors are welcome. For more info call Robert (916) Noyes 332-5753 or visit website at: http:// missionoaksgenealogyclub.org.

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If you go to the web site at www. letssay-thanks.com you can pick out a thank you card and the Xerox Corporation will print it and it will be sent to a soldier that is currently serving in Iraq. You can't pick out who gets it, but it will go to some member of the armed services. It is FREE and it only takes a second. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the soldier received a bunch of these? Make the site a favorite and send one every day! For more information contact Joe Fraccola, 916-638-8720



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# Carmichael Chamber of Commerce



August 25th Luncheon At **The Palace** 

U.S. Congressman Dan Lungren (front center) attended the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce's recent luncheon meeting at The Palace reception facility, Carmichael. The Third District representative updated members on the proposed Health Care Bill and related issues. Flanking the VIP guest were, top row: chamber executive Kris Kingdon, Honorary Mayor Peter Tateishi and board member Chris Schoonveld. Middle row: board members Barry Smith, Gary Andersen, Terry Sweeney and Ross Davidson. Front row: chamber President Trish Harrington, Congressman Lungren and board member Linda Melody.

Picture and caption by Susan Maxwell Skinner.

### **Upcoming Events** Mark Your Calendar

October 14th, 2009 MIXER 5:30 - 7:30pm The Atrium

October 27th, 2009 **General Membership Luncheon** At The Palace 6309 Fair Oaks Blvd., Carmichael 11:30a – 1:30p Our Speaker will be Ed Crane, **News Anchor KFBK 1530AM** 

### **MEMBER NOTICES**

Do you own a business out on the Boulevard? Join us CLEAN Up the Boulevard Sunday, October 18th, 8am at Carmichael Park Join the Chamber, Carmichael Creek & Carmichael Colony Neighborhood Associations as we work together to clean up trash along Fair Oaks Boulevard

Eskaton Village Carmichael, 15th Annual Craft Fair Saturday, October 24, 200910:00am - 2:30pm 3939 Walnut Ave., Carmichael FREE & Open to the Public

The Chamber is looking for enthusiastic, energized Board Members AND Candidates for Honorary Mayor's Race 2010 For more info, please call 481-1002

*Contact us for more information on the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce* Phone (916) 481-1002 • Fax (916) 481-1003 • www.carmichaelchamber.com

# Widowed Persons Association of California, Inc.

widowed persons are invited to participate in the **RECOVERY FROM GRIEF** workshop sponsored by the Widowed Persons Association of California. There is no charge or

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As a public service donation required. The only Sunday Support Sessions the community, all criteria is that you MUST BE WIDOWED.

that are neid every Sunday afternoon at the office from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, rain or shine, holidays included.

# Hoshall's Big Brotherly Love



Jacob Stone (age 7) stayed close to his sister Grace (age 3 1/2) of Carmichael as she was getting her locks trimmed at Hoshall's Salon & Spa in Carmichael on Sunday, September 27, at the haircutting and salon services marathon to benefit autism.

Carmichael - The Hoshall's "cuta-thon" in Carmichael raised \$2,2000 for the U.C. Davis MIND Institute and the Sutter Neuroscience Institute's Autism Treatment Center. Additionally, from July through September. Hoshall's in Carmichael has been raising thousands of dollars more for autism by donating a percentage of proceeds from its salon product sales. In October, Hoshall's will host a book signing reception with one of the nation's leading pediatric neurologists, Michael Chez, M.D. who has located to the Sacramento area to work with the Sutter institute and U.C. Davis autism programs. Dr. Chez' book, "Autism and its Medical Management -- A Guide

for Parents and Professionals," (Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2008) will be released in paperback in mid-October.

"We are so proud of our staff and our great area businesses who made Sunday's event a major community success," said co-owners Susan Azad and Ann Poffenberger. "Everyone on the staff wanted to hold a fundraiser that would really help our local families struggling with the stress and management of autism, we reached out to our area businesses, and together we proved we can do it."

Carmichael/Sacramento area businesses that supported the family-style marathon with products and services included: Rio Americano Jazz Combo Band, Bel Air Market, Cheezer's Pizza, Giant's Pizza, SF Boudin Bakery, Scott's Seafood, Edible Arrangements, Leatherby's Family Creamery, Mountain Mike's Pizza, Crestview Lanes, Sacramento Brewing Company, Toogood Estate Wine, Caves, Car wash-Splash and Dash, Cheesecake Factory, Whole Foods, All American Speedway, Lorenzo's Mexican Restaurant, Pasta Village, It's A Grind, Les Schawab Tires, JM Racing Company, Noah's Bagels, M.D.K., Hooter's Restaurant, Real Mex Restaurants, Wella Professional, Jan Marini Skin Care, Cosmetix Skin Care.



# **ASK SHERWIN-WILLIAMS**<sup>™</sup> about our newest location!

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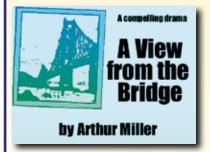
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# **CHAUTAUQUA PLAYHOUSE** to open A View From The Bridge on October 9 and Gnome Sweet Gnome on October 17



Chautauqua Playhouse announces the second show of its 33rd season, A VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE, by Arthur Miller, opening on October 9, at the Playhouse. The show will run on Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00pm and Sundays at 2:00 pm through November 15. All performances will be held at the Chautauqua Playhouse, 5325 Engle Road in the La Sierra Community Center in Carmichael. Admission is \$17 general and \$15 students, seniors, children and SARTA members.

Italian-American immigrant life colors this searing drama of love, obsession & revenge, set in 1950's Brooklyn. Longshoreman Eddie Carbone is devoted to his wife and niece. But when his wife's impoverished Sicilian cousins enter the US illegally, desperate to find work, Eddie's devotion to his niece is no longer touching, but terrifying. A Greek tragedy, told in Arthur Miller's classic American style... The production is directed by Lenore Sebastian and features Julie Bock-Betschart, Savannah Scott and Gil Sebastian. Set design is by Rodger Hoopman with costumes by Eileen Beaver.



Opening on October 17 is the Chautauqua Children's Theatre production of GNOME, SWEET GNOME, directed by Marie Raymond. In this musical show, O'Shea and Rhymin' Simon have to find a new king. When they find one, they're off to encounter a dragon and a green bad guy. Watch out for Pigg and Apoke.

GNOME SWEET GNOME plays on Saturdays at 1:00 and 3:00 pm until November 7. Tickets for the children's shows are \$7.00.

For tickets and additional information call the theatre at (916) 489-7529(PLAY) Information and tickets are also available through the Chautauqua Playhouse website: www.cplayhouse.com

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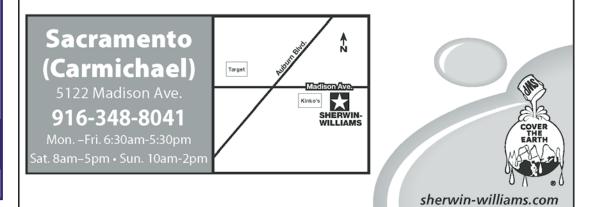
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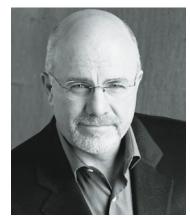


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#### **Recover First, Plan Later** Dear Dave,

My husband died four weeks ago. He was 52 years old and had a heart attack. We always lived on a budget and were careful with our money, so we were debt-free

when he passed away. He had a 401(k) and an IRA worth about \$500,000 along with \$200,000 in life insurance. He always handled most of the money, so I don't know what to do about all this... - Nancy

Dear Nancy,

I am so sorry you have to go through this. Fifty-two is way too young an age at which to leave this world. I'm sure the suddenness of it all has your head spinning, too. Right now, you need to take some time to absorb what's happened. You've experienced a devastating loss, and you should never make major life decisions when you're hurting or your emotions are out of whack.

For now, I want you to roll the 401(k) and IRA into IRAs in your name. Then, just let them sit there. I'd also park the insurance money in a Certificate of Deposit for about six months. Take out enough to live on, but leave the rest alone for a while. Give yourself some space and time to cry until your brain gets used to things and can plug back into everyday life again. Then, after some time has passed, you can start thinking about what you want to do in the years ahead. You can also educate yourself in finance and how to handle your money once your mind has had some time to readjust. Don't try to be super woman right now. I know you miss him

a lot, but always remember that he loved you enough to make sure you'd be in great shape financially if something like this happened. God bless you, Nancy. - Dave

#### Automobile Pricing Guide Dear Dave,

What is the difference between NADA, Kelley Blue Book, and Edmunds.com? Is one more accurate than the others, and how would you use them in negotiating the sale or purchase of a car? - Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

NADA stands for National Automobile Dealers Association. A lot of their information is based on loan value, which basically is nothing more than what a banker wants to lend on a particular vehicle. Plus, it seems to me that overall NADA is oriented more toward the dealer than the consumer. KBB and Edmunds are both pretty fair in terms of real world value, but you have to gather up pieces of information in order to get an accurate assessment.

I always look at the KBB private sale section when I buy or sell. Then, I'll print out the information and use it during the negotiation. You could also shop other car sites online and find out what they're asking for the same kind of vehicle. If you gather up several reference points of information you'll begin to see a pattern evolve, and you'll end up with a pretty good idea of fair market value.

Let's say one site lists a car at \$12,000, and another says \$13,000. You could turn around and honestly tell a buyer that you're offering a really good deal at \$10,000. You could also toss out the high-end prices and the lowball numbers to come up with a good middle-ground figure that's fair to both parties! - Dave

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# Laura on Life **Running In The Ráin**

By Laura Snyder

Who knew that sitting in a nice, dry car in a rainstorm, watching people flee from the parking lot, would be so entertaining?

My husband and I wanted to see a movie one evening. Through a strange series of events that involved a DVD return, a box of Cheerios, and some ink cartridges, we arrived about 45 minutes earlier than we had anticipated.

It was raining cats and dogs when we arrived. I believe there were a few raccoons and squirrels as well, but it was raining so hard it was difficult to identify the various plummeting mammals. Needless to say, we thought it best to stay in the car and wait for the deluge to dissipate.

However, there were many people who, while not really wanting to get wet, apparently didn't want to miss the previews and minicommercials that run for the first 20 minutes of their scheduled movie.

I had no idea that there were so many different ways to get from the car to the ticket booth. Everyone had a different idea.

We watched a man in a black t-shirt and a woman in a white tank top bolt from their car, grab each other's hand in solidarity and run as if their life depended on it. However, at one point, they each chose a different side of a tree to run around and, as a result, had to disengage. The man apparently saw no need to wait around in the rain for his soaked and lagging partner as his legs ate up the remaining yards to the dry building. They were probably already married. If not, he was due for a "Dear John."

There was the lady who emerged from her car with a giant golf umbrella big enough to cover a large bulldozer, but ran with it to the theatre anyway leaving her husband to run after her in the rain. Married as well, I think.

There were the two guys in wifebeater shirts who were too proud to run because it isn't cool to run from anything. So they would be forced to sit, soaked to the skin, in an air-conditioned theatre for two hours and try not to shiver because... that's not cool either.

There was a young lady who made all the motions of running except the one where you move your feet quickly. Her arms were pumping, her head thrust forward in anticipation of her eminent arrival at the doors, but her feet took small mincing steps. She looked like a Geisha girl in high gear. Good thing she wasn't in a hurry.

Then came the cowboy, complete with a black Stetson hat and alligator boots. He galloped with long strides, as if he was still on his horse, and had trouble stopping when he reached the ticket booth. The brick wall eventually slowed his rain-slicked boots. Then he turned around looking for the bear that was clearly chasing him (apparently, one of the many mammals falling out of the sky). He then took off his hat, shook it and replaced it just like John Wayne. Who wears a Stetson to a movie theatre anyway?

After the cowboy entered the theatre, a rather rotund woman waddled from the theatre to her handicapped parking spot. She

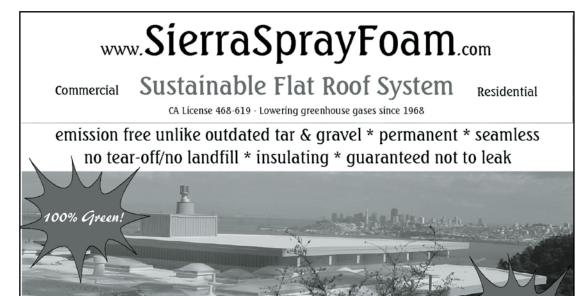


was carrying an X-large popcorn bucket and a tiny, little Tinker Bell umbrella that looked like she might have sat on it. Three or four spokes were bent downward and, as a result, 90% of her body was being hit by rain anyway. She might have been better off putting the popcorn bucket on her head.

A twenty-something guy bounded toward the doors until he lost his flip-flop and had to chase it down the raging river that the parking lot had now become. By the time he caught it, he was so wet and disgusted that he decided it wasn't worth running any longer. He was already soaked. He held his flip-flops as he schlepped, bare-footed to the theatre.

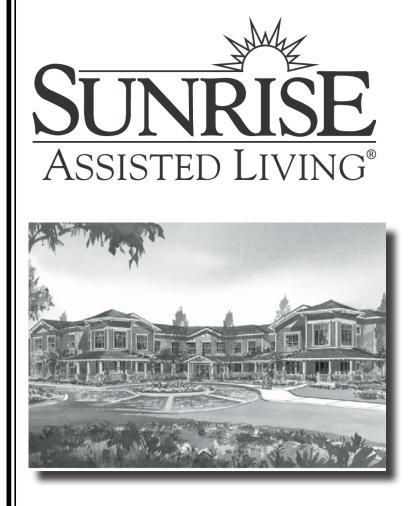
When the rain finally subsided, my husband and I, wiping tears of laughter from our eyes, got out of the car and walked sedately to the theatre. We were, of course, very conscious of exactly how we walked. We were going to see a comedy, but it would be very difficult for the movie to top what we had already witnessed.

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Succulent Society **Carmichael Cactus** and Succulent Society Meeting Thursday October 1, 10:00 am Cactus er Succulents Gardens with Lenear Merloyn Carmichael Park Clubhouse 5750 Grant Avenue Carmichael, CA 95608 Cost: Free!

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3. MOVIES: What 1980s movie featured characters named Westley, Buttercup and Inigo Montoya?

4. PSYCHOLOGY: What would someone who suffered from chorophobia be afraid of?

5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is a porbeagle?

6. SCIENCE: What scientist, also known as the father of taxonomy, discovered that some flowers open at certain times each day and can be used to tell time?

7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many U.S. states are named after a president?

8. LITERATURE: Who wrote under the pseudonym of Lewis Carroll?

9. FOOD & DRINK: What are capers?

10. MUSIC: What does the musical notation "da capo" mean?

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♥10 Š 2 ♦ 7 5 4 **♣**J986 WEST EAST **•** 9 7 4 🌩 6 3 ♥J86 ♥AQ43 • A Q 9 2 ♦ J 1Õ 6 3 🕈 10 7 3 **\$**542 SOUTH 🕈 K J 10 8 2 ♥K97 ♦ K 8 🕈 A K Q The bidding: South West

East North 1 🕈 2 🕈 Pass Pass 4 🛧 Opening lead seven of spades.

Two chances are certainly always better than one, and this is especially true at the bridge table. Consider this case from a national team-of-four championship, where both North-South pairs reached four spades on the bidding shown.

At the first table, declarer won West's opening trump lead in his hand with the eight and led another spade to dummy's ace. A diamond was then led to the king, losing to West's ace. West now effectively put an end to

Crossword

he still could not avoid losing two hearts and two diamonds for down

The declarer at the second table found a way to give himself an extra chance. He carefully won the opening trump lead with dummy's ace, and also led a diamond to the king. West won and continued with the queen and another diamond, ruffed by South (a trump return would not have fared any better).

Declarer now cashed the spade king, but then, leaving the last trump outstanding for the moment, played the A-K-Q of clubs. After both opponents followed to all three clubs, he crossed to the spade queen, discarded a heart on the club jack and led toward the

king of hearts for his 10th trick. Note that this second line of play had everything to gain and little to lose. By timing the play properly and handling the entries to dummy judiciously, South retained access to the jack of clubs when and if the necessity for its use arose. This gave him an additional chance to make the contract if one of the red aces was favorably placed and the key suits broke normally.

MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger



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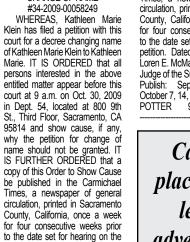
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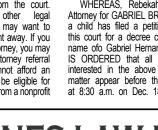
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# **The Abdication and Subjugation** of Your Legislature

#### Jim Nielsen Assemblymember, Second District California State Legislature

There's a disturbing trend afoot in the California Legislature that should provoke alarm. Major laws are passed that give unelected, unaccountable agencies, boards or commissions power far in excess of the governor and legislators you elect to represent you. Your direct participation in how you are governed is being seriously compromised.

This year we've experienced the Water Resources Control Board interpreting legislation to empower "septic tank police" to monitor your septic tanks and domestic wells, charge you for inspections and for any upgrades they deem necessary.

Since the passage of the Coastal Act that gave us the dictatorial Commission, Coastal this unaccountable body has nearly every year expanded its power with liberal legislator's enthusiastic complicity. The Air Resources Control Board the Coastal Commission are the most, but not only, near dictatorial agencies in California if not America. Now legislation purported to address our critical water needs would accord such power to a "Delta Stewardship Council." This appointed council would become a "Coastal Commission for the Rest of California." It would have vast control over historic water rights, where and how water would be distributed, who or what had first call on water (think fish and other

dictated environmental uses). whether or not there would be new water storage or conveyance, authority over domestic wells and even stock ponds to name but a few powers. If not bad enough, the Council would appoint a "Water Master" for California. This travesty could be imposed by a bare majority of legislators and, if approved by the governor, grandchildren's great our opportunities to raise families and have jobs would be affected.

This "Council" could determine who the beneficial users of water would be and have an unfettered ability to impose fees and fines on such users. Since fish can't pay fees or be fined it's our wallets that will be picked.

Your rights to water for your home, farmers rights to water to feed us all and water for businesses to provide jobs would be far secondary to whatever environmental uses the council deemed important.

Recently, the author of the bill that would create the Delta Council said, "At some point, you have to let go and let somebody make the hard decisions," as a reason why the Legislature must give its (your) power away. The hard decisions should be made by people who you duly elect not nondescript, anonymous souls in cloistered back rooms.

Democrats are still attempting to create a powerful sentencing commission that would be given broad powers to gut our tough-oncrime laws such as three strikes and 10-20-Life, without a vote of the Legislature or the people. Oh, the Legislature could vote to reject a commission edict, but with the "let them out" Legislature we've had for decades, prospects for justice and public safety are dim. Some legislators and all incarcerated felons are actually enthusiastic about giving up your authority while compromising justice and placing all of us at risk. In 1977 a liberal legislature and governor gave us the "Determinant Sentence Law" that ensured that some 90% of convicted criminals would be released to society whether or not they were rehabilitated and remained a risk to society. After years of victimization including the rape and murder of Polly Klass and the murder of Kimber Reynolds (and many like them) the people had enough and passed the "Three Strikes Law." Now a "Sentencing Commission" would make decisions about justice and you would have no say either directly or through your representatives.

Taxation without representation wastheclarioncallthatlaunchedthe rebellion that gave us our freedom and rights as citizens of the United States. Bureaucratic rule without representation in California should launch yet another rebellion. Give us back our state!!

Assemblyman Nielsen represents the Second Assembly District, which includes: Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yolo counties.

# **Local Quarterly Employment Trends**

(51%) of Sacramento's 100 top companies say the recession is still brutal. Contacted directly by telephone between August 17 and September 4th human resource contacts at another forty-eight percent (48%) of companies participating say the recession is easing up. Just one company felt the economic downturn is mostly over when all were asked to choose from three multiple-choice options on the state of the economy.

With 71 of 100 companies responding, construction-related firms were the least optimistic as thirteen percent (13%) say the recession is still brutal while just two percent (2%) felt it was easing up. Service companies and Manufacturers were evenly split on the economic outlook, while Retail firms were most optimistic about prospects for an improving economyinthe4thQuarterof2009.

The opinions on the future of the economy are reflected in the statistics of companies hiring versus those not hiring

Sacramento - Fifty-one percent in Q4. Fifty-two percent (52%) of companies say they will hire in October, November and December, but thirty-eight percent (38%) of demand is strictly driven by the need for replacements from attrition. However, Sacramento regional companies also tell Pacific Staffing they will look for more new hires in O4 than at anytime in the last year. In Q4, twenty-five percent (25%) of hiring motivated in the next quarter is attributed to the need for new people, or growth of the existing workforce. After the worst quarter ever reported by the Employment Trends in Q1 2009, hiring motivated by business growth has risen steadily for three quarters this year in Sacramento.

Anticipated growth is tempered by eleven percent (11%) of companies who are not hiring also reporting planned force reduction, or layoffs in the last three months of 2009. Just one reported layoff was tied to the end of the agricultural season with

the majority of companies saying continuing slow business prompts their potential job cuts in Q4.

Skills Demand? Employer demand for customer service was triple any other category in Q4. Companies also sought technical, sales and experience in shipping, warehouse and manufacturing.

Workforce Challenge? As the national debate on healthcare continues, Sacramento employers and employees are paying the costs. When asked what workplace or human resource challenge companies face in the next three months, twenty-five percent (25%) of companies say healthcare costs are their greatest challenge.

100 Sacramento The Regional Top Companies By Industry: 39% are Service, 34% are Manufacturers, 17% are Construction and 10% are Retail. How does this Quarter compare to last quarter, or last year? Find out for yourself, for more information & surveys go to www.pacificstaffing.com.



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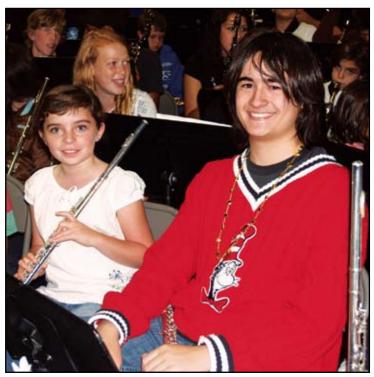
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# **Rio Americano Students Spend Summer at Berklee College of Music**



Zach Giberson, alto sax – Berklee scholarship recipient Victor San Pedro, guitar – Berklee scholarship recipient Elliott Bartlett, Rio Americano Senior with elementary school students at last year's Playathon. This picture gives a good feel for the Playathon and how the older students mentor the younger ones. Photo courtesy of Leslie Barger

Carmichael - Four talented Rio Americano student musicians had the opportunity to study at the Berklee College of Music in Boston this summer thanks to full-tuition scholarships awarded on the basis of their outstanding live auditions last spring. Juniors Graham Smith and Victor San Pedro joined senior Zach Giberson for five weeks in the music residency program where they studied and performed with world-renowned faculty and more than 900 high

school and college musicians from around the world while Zachary Darf attended a Stage Performance Workshop in June.

Victor San Pedro was selected as one of four guitarists from the more than 250 in attendance to be showcased at the program's final performance. He was also awarded a scholarship to return for the summer program next year. Zach Giberson was recognized as one of the finest musicians in attendance and has received a four-year full

scholarship to study at Berklee. The Rio Americano band program, under the combined direction of Josh Murray and Max Kiesner, provides high quality music education to 200 students in four levels of concert band and four jazz ensembles. You can enjoy a fun filled evening of musical entertainment and support this outstanding program by attending the 29th annual Rio Americano Playathon on Friday November 6, 2009. The Playathon is a musical marathon featuring 17 hours of non-stop music. This amazing event includes performances by all of Rio's award winning jazz and concert bands as well as combos and soloists from the Small Ensemble program. Band students from local middle and elementary schools are invited to attend from 3:30 - 5:45 pm to play along with the Rio Band and enjoy musical games, activities, and refreshments. The community is invited to attend the evening concerts scheduled from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. All events take place on the Rio Americano campus located at 4540 American River Drive. The event is free of charge, but tax deductible donations are greatly appreciated. Money raised at the Playathon is used to support Rio's outstanding band program.

For additional information about the Rio Band program contact Josh Murray at 971-7512, jomurray@sanjuan. edu, or visit www.rioband.org.

# **Everyone's Gotta Eat!!!** So, why not eat and support a great cause?

Sacramento - On October 6, 2009, (from 11:30 am-2:00 pm and 5:30 pm-8:00 pm), diners at Elephant Bar Restaurant on Arden Way in Sacramento will be served by men and women in uniform for a good cause. Volunteers from the California Highway Patrol will be greeting diners along with restaurant wait staff during lunch and dinner hours. Along with meals, guests will receive information about Big Brothers Big Sisters' services. A special "tip" envelope will come with the tab for the meal and a request from officers to support Big Brothers Big Sisters so they can reach out and serve more children. Tips for Kids will support the local chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters with proceeds going towards recruiting caring adults to become "big brothers" or "big Sisters" to children who want and need a positive adult role model in their lives.

of need, we are happy to be assisting Big Brothers Big Sisters meet their goals for 2009-2010. We hope to see a lot of people out there to support this effort. After all, besides helping a good cause, this may the public's only chance to tell us officers what to do! We'll bring them water or whatever...and be happy to serve." says Officer Adrian Quintero, California Highway Public Information Patrol, Division. Officer, Valley Widely recognized as the benchmark mentoring of organizations, Big Brothers Big Sisters is known for its one-to-one mentoring activities that result in life changing outcomes for children. Major scientifically-based research has shown that children who have a relationship with a big brother or big sister volunteer; Are 52% less likely to skip school, Are 46% less likely to begin using drugs, Are 33% less likely to hit someone, Are 27% less likely to begin using alcohol, Have

four times few teen pregnancies, Have four time fewer arrests. The study also concluded that the children being mentored in the program (Littles) are more confident in their schoolwork performance, get along better with their families and their peers and develop greater self-esteem and self-reliance. A recent study completed by Harris Interactive, showed that when compared to adults with similar backgrounds and family histories, adults who had been in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program as children were almost twice as likely to complete a four-year college degree, to have an annul family income of \$75,000 or more, and to have positive marital relationships. A six month review of surveys related to local Big Brothers Big Sisters children showed that over 90% were more confident, doing better in school and were getting along better with others.

# **Angel Project Gets Off to a Fast Start**

Bev's Annual Nifty 50's Classic Car Show, Carmichael Oaks Shopping Center, 6456 Fair Oaks Blvd., in Carmichael (corner of Marconi Ave. & Fair Oaks Blvd.), was held Saturday, September 26th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., sponsored by Bev's Angel Project, Jan Strickland, co-ordinator. The entry fee was an unwrapped toy or toys for our holiday angel project when we annually serve over 1,500 local children at hospitals, homeless shelters, elementary and pre-schools, crisis nursery and so much more.

Live rock & roll music was provided by local teenagers Todd Morgan and the Emblems. We received 100's of toys from all of the guys and gals who came with their fantastic hot rods. This year's car show was a huge success and the biggest turnout of cars ever!

The Angel Project also has volunteers who make blankets and quilts all year long for our project.

Thank you so much for everyone's support. Anyone in the community who would like to donate unwrapped toys can drop them off between now and Christmas at Beverly's Crafts & Fabrics in the shopping center at Fair Oaks & Marconi. If you would like to help wrap toys or volunteer in any way in December you can contact Jan at 402-7202.



Helping to collect toys for local families for this upcoming holiday season are (pictured) Mark and Diane Stayton, George and Michelle Mayberry, Don Furtado, Judee and James Shoemaker, John and Margie Cassie and Margaret Martin.



Jan Strickland shows off one of the many fine classic cars in attendance, a 1947 Ford Coupe, owned by Ron Bella-Via of Roseville. The classic car owners helped to hundreds of toys for local families. Photos by Paul V. Scholl

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# Which Side Is Big Business Really On?



by Allan C. Brownfeld

Free enterprise is under serious attack. Government bailouts of the auto industry, banks, Wall Street, and other sectors of our economy -- as well as the push to involve the federal government further in our healthcare system -- provide ample evidence. Many Americans, particularly Republicans who proclaim their belief in capitalism, think that big business -- and Wall Street -- are the primary engines of free enterprise and its natural defenders. This, however, is far from the reality we face. In April, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce presented its annual "Spirit of Enterprise" awards to those Members of Congress who voted with the Chamber at least 70 percent of the time on its most important legislative initiatives of 2008. The Republican who scored lowest of all -- that is, the Republican lawmaker supposedly least aligned with the nation's business community -- was Rep. Ron Paul (R-TX), well known for his strict adherence to a libertarian philosophy. Other Republicans who did not receive the award were Senators Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Jeff Sessions (R-AL), Jim Inhofe (R-OK), and Jim Demint (R-SC). What caused these Republican legislators to incur the displeasure of

the Chamber of Commerce? They opposed the various federal bailout programs -- and the stimulus package.

Senator Jim Demint notes, "In an era of corporate welfare -- which is lately taking on the characteristics of 1930s-style corporatism itself -- the interests of big business are veering away from the interests of economic freedom and toward the interests of big government.... For the past eight years, the Republican experiment in big government hollowed out our core identity.... Small-government conservatives were attacked by leading Republicans for choosing principle over poll-tested politics. It was in these battles that the... marriage between the Republican Party and corporate

America was finally consummated." In Demint's view, "Even the most socialistic of big-government Democrats can credibly ask why Republicans are suddenly so worried about the dangers of big government. The road back to Republican success is not to reinforce our weakened coalition of corporate interests, but to drop it altogether. Republicans shouldn't be the party of business any more than they should be the party of labor -- we're supposed to be the party of freedom. We should get out of the business of picking winners and losers in the marketplace. We should not care who wins in fair fights between Microsoft and Apple, between Citigroup and community banks.... All we should demand is a fair fight. If Goliath beats David, so be it -- just as long as he does it without corporate welfare.... In a system of corporate welfare, those who suffer most are Americans who pay higher taxes funneled well-connected companies." to

Big business is now lining up in support of the Obama administration's various bailout and stimulus programs. General Electric CEO Jeffrey Immelt states, "The interaction between government and business will change forever. It was a reset economy, the government will be a regulator, and also an industry policy champion,

a financier, and a key partner." Discussing the administration's proposed health plan, former congressman Billy Tauzin, now chief executive officer of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, states: "This is a great start. There are things we don't like about it. But there's time to discuss all that."

The Capitol Hill newspaper The Hill reports: "Big business is lining up to support... Obama's plan to stimulate the economy with the biggest spending spree on roads, bridges, and other infrastructure projects since the Eisenhower administration."

Adam Smith once said that when two businessmen get together, the subject of discussion is how keep a third businessman out of the market. Business has long sought government interference in the free market to protect its own interests. Historian Gabriel Kolko discusses how the railroad magnates of the 1870s and 1880s petitioned the government to protect them from the headaches of "cutthroat competition" and relentless rate wars. It was the railroad lobby that promoted the establishment of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which the lobby quickly controlled. In 1907, AT&T faced serious competition from other phone companies. AT&T president Theodore Vail successfully lobbied state governments -- and the federal government -- to let AT&T become a nationwide monopoly.

Big business has long resisted competition and sought to use the power of government to prevent it. In 1909, Andrew Carnegie, irritated with competitors, urged "government control" of the steel industry. In 1911, U.S. Steel chairman, Judge Elbert Gary, told Congress: "I believe we must come to enforced publicity (socialization) and government control... even as to price."Adam Smith said, "People of the same trade seldom meet together, even for merriment and diversion, but the conversation ends

in a conspiracy against the public, or in some contrivance to raise prices." Then, it was railroads, the steel

companies, and AT&T. Now it is Citigroup, Goldman Sachs, AIG, and General Motors. Timothy Carney, in his book The Big Ripoff, discussed the ways in which the Obama administration's cap-and-trade plan will enrich General Electric (GE). "Reviewing their lobbying filings, you might think you were looking at Al Gore's agenda," writes Carney. GE, he reports, spent nearly \$20 million to lobby on such action items as the "Climate Stewardship Act," "Electric Utility Cap and Trade Act," and the "Global Warming Reduction Act." The reason: GE has set up a business to sell carbon credits.

In his classic Capitalism and Freedom, Milton Friedman points out, "The kind of economic organization that provides economic freedom directly, namely competitive capitalism, also promotes political freedom because it separates economic power from political power and in this way enables the one to offset the other."

Now, however, many in business and finance do not want to separate economic and political power, but to join them together. And both Republicans and Democrats have been eager to assist them in this enterprise. This is nothing new, as even a brief reading of history illustrates well.

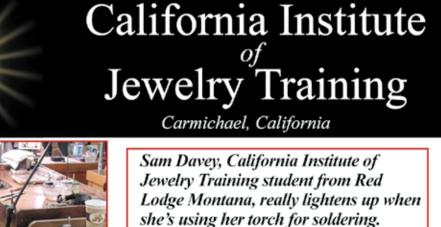
The belief that business is an advocate of a genuinely free market is naive. Milton Friedman would not

-- but neither would he be surprised. Allan C. Brownfeld is the author of five books, the latest of which is THE REVOLUTION LOBBY (Council for Inter-American Security). He has been a staff aide to a U.S. Vice President, Members of Congress, and the U.S. Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. He is associate editor of The Lincoln Review and a contributing

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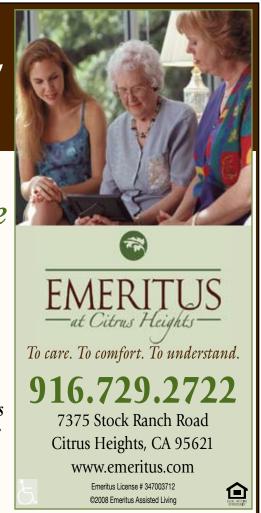


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