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Two SMUD representants stand holding images of the fallen marine honoring "Nicole Gee for her great sacrifice." Photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

By Thomas J. Sullivan

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Young families, school children and veterans lined much of Greenback Lane from Sunrise to Fair Oaks Boulevard on Thursday, Sept. 16, many holding U.S. and Marine Corps flags, as they paused to honor and remember fallen Marine Sgt. Nicole L. Gee, 23, of Sacramento, who was brought home and laid to rest at the Mount Vernon Memorial Park and Mortuary in Fair Oaks.

The Citrus Heights Police Department had encouraged the public to gather at the south end of Greenback Lane at the Sunrise Mall parking lot to show support as the public procession passed. The exceptionally large public turnout for the procession soon slowed traffic along Greenback Lane for more than an hour.

The procession, led by a motorcycle escort of the American Legion Patriot Guard, passed slowly under a large American flag which was

arched over Greenback Lane by two Metro Fire ladder trucks, their crews saluting, before then turning into the memorial park.

Sgt. Gee along with 10 additional Marines, one Navy corpsman and one soldier were killed August 26, the result of an enemy attack while supporting evacuation operations outside the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan. At least 169 Afghans were also killed in the bombing, as they struggled to

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Renewed Tax Credit Can Help Employers Hire Workers

IRS Special Announcement

WASHINGTON - With many businesses facing a tight job market, the Internal Revenue Service reminds employers to check out a valuable tax credit available to them for hiring long-term unemployment recipients and other groups of workers facing significant barriers to employment.

The IRS is highlighting tax benefits and resources designed to help new and existing small businesses. For any business now hiring, the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) may help.

Legislation enacted in December extended the WOTC through the end of 2025. This long-standing tax benefit encourages employers to hire workers certified as members of any of ten targeted groups facing barriers to employment. With millions of Americans out of work at one time or another since the pandemic began, the IRS noted that one of these targeted groups is long-term unemployment recipients who have been unemployed for at least 27 consecutive weeks and have received state or federal unemployment benefits during part or all of that time.

The other groups include certain veterans and recipients of various kinds of public assistance, among others. Specifically, the 10 groups are: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients, Unemployed veterans, including disabled veterans, Formerly incarcerated individuals, Designated community residents living in Empowerment Zones or Rural Renewal Counties, Vocational rehabilitation referrals, Summer youth employees living in Empowerment Zones, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients, Long-term family assistance recipients, Long-term unemployment recipients.

To qualify for the credit, an employer must first request certification by submitting IRS Form 8850, Pre-screening Notice and Certification Request for the Work Opportunity Credit, to their state workforce agency (SWA). Do not submit this form to the IRS.

Normally, Form 8850 must be submitted to the SWA within 28 days after the eligible worker begins work. But under a special

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County Breastfeeding Program Receives USDA Award

By Laurie Slothower,
Sacramento County

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program has received a WIC Breastfeeding Gold Award of Excellence 2021 award from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This award recognizes the WIC agencies that provide exceptional breastfeeding promotion and support activities. Awardees serve as a model for other WIC agencies who want to strengthen their breastfeeding promotion and support activities through their Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program.

The Sacramento County WIC Program has a history of program excellence. The Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program first received this award in 2016, which remained current for four years. In 2021, Sacramento County WIC was only one of four local WIC agencies to receive the award in the western region, which includes



Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program has received a WIC Breastfeeding Gold Award of Excellence 2021 award from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Photo credit Sac County Media

Alaska, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa.

The Sacramento County WIC Program was able to pivot quickly when the pandemic started in 2020, finding new ways to connect with families remotely by providing services by phone and video. One of the highlights of the BFPC Program is its virtual prenatal class, which gives participants

an opportunity to meet their Peer Counselor and a Lactation Consultant who will be supporting them after delivery.

"Our Breastfeeding Peer Counselors have done a wonderful job being responsive to the changing needs of the families we serve throughout this pandemic, providing exemplary services while keeping families and kids safe and healthy," said Chevon Kothari, Director of the Sacramento County Department of Health

Services. "Their passion and dedication to supporting our families is exemplary and is what made receiving this award possible."

Breastfeeding is a practice that is proven to benefit both mothers and babies. It helps mothers recover more quickly from childbirth, reduces the risk of breast and ovarian cancers and may assist in losing weight after childbirth. Infants who are breastfed have a lower risk of developing asthma, ear infections, respiratory infections, gastrointestinal infections and other ailments. The long-term benefits of breastfeeding may lower the child's risk of obesity, type 1 diabetes and childhood leukemia. Breastmilk contains all the nutrients babies need to grow and protects the baby's immune system.

For information about WIC services and eligibility, visit the Sacramento County WIC webpage at <https://dhs.sacounty.net/PRI/WIC/Pages/Women-Infants-and-Children-Home.aspx> ★

Packathon Packs Thousands of Care Boxes for Troops!

Story and photos from
Move America Forward
Special News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - This past Saturday MAF held our 2021 annual Packathon event in observance of 9/11 where we set out with a goal to ship 2001 boxes for the troops as well as pack an additional 911. As 2021 is also the 20th anniversary of 9/11, this was an especially important task, and we made appeals to our supporters to watch our Troopathon on Newsmax TV and donate to send care packages so we could achieve this goal.

We began packing just before 10 am and didn't wrap up until 3 pm because we had an unprecedented group of enthusiastic and energetic volunteers who just wouldn't quit! They really wanted to do something special for our troops.

At the conclusion of our Packathon drive, we had shipped 3,000 packages for the troops and packed an additional 1,500 more!

There are thousands of troops who are still deployed in the Middle East, eagerly awaiting your words of support, and the many goodies and personal care items in these boxes. These are especially important during the brutally hot Summer months!

If you donate today, our volunteers will quickly pack up a box of goodies for the troops and add it to the stack of boxes waiting to be shipped! These packages REALLY make a difference! We receive letters and notes



back from the troops every day detailing just how important these care packages are to the troops who receive them. Many troops spend 6-12 months of deployment, away from their friends and family.

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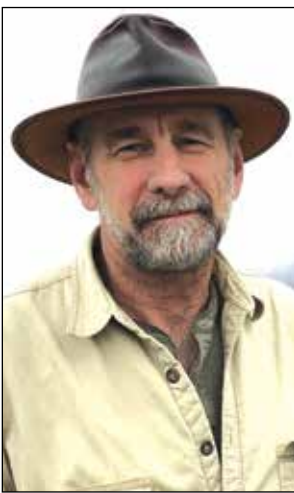
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Sacramento Tall Club Rises to New Heights



Bob Huggett, president of Sacramento Tall Club. Courtesy photo

By Thomas J. Sullivan

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Members of the Sacramento Tall Club (STC), a social club of men and women in Rancho Cordova who share a special common attribute are looking to grow their membership.

Club members are once again meeting socially for lunch, dinners and “TGIF” events, while following state and social pandemic protocols.

Open to singles and couples, the STC is an active group of people who are tall and love getting together and having fun,” said their president, Bob Huggett. “Anyone at least 21 years of age may join if they meet the club’s height requirements.”

Women must be at least 5’ 10” tall, and men must be at least 6’ 2” (measurements are taken barefoot). Huggett said if you are a spouse of a regular STC member, you may still be an associate member if you

don’t meet the height requirement.

Huggett, a 6-foot-7-inch chief engineer at the California Department of General Services, describes what it’s like to be vertically gifted and the camaraderie he’s found since joining the STC.

“Well, advantages are, of course, being above the others, [but] you’re always looked at a little bit differently when you’re tall. Not every place is built for tall people. Not every airplane I get in has enough headroom and legroom and all that stuff,” Huggett said.

Huggett said STC members are looking at new ways through MeetUp and social media to attract younger members to join the group as the base age of club members is climbing.

“We want to share the fun and fellowship we’ve enjoyed through the years as club members as we welcome new people, and begin building new friendships,” Huggett said.

The STC is a member of Tall Clubs International (TCI). Established in 1982, the STC lists some 80 active members in the greater Sacramento region, and a few members from as far away as Reno and Stockton.

Huggett said he is especially proud that one of STC’s own, Folsom resident Rusty Bloomquist was honored with the 2021 Tall Clubs International (TCI) Frank Winker Lifetime Achievement Award this summer.

Bloomquist, who has

served terms as STC treasurer, vice president and sergeant-at-arms, was cited for his work as national TCI vice president during the pandemic to encourage national membership and providing advice to those seeking to launch new local TCI chapters.

The STC awards scholarships to eligible graduating high school seniors.

“They must meet our height requirements and write an essay on “What Being Tall Means to Me,” Huggett said. Local scholarship winners can go on to compete for a second national scholarship award.

“We put on all kinds of events which satisfy the variety of tastes of our club members. We try to have get-togethers at fun places such as bar and grills, interesting restaurants, night clubs, and whatever else we can think of that’s likely to be fun and enjoyable,” Huggett said.

“Without the height, we’re just normal people, and there’s nothing really different about us. In the club, that’s really the only common trait we have: We’re all tall,” Huggett said. “It costs nothing to attend one of our events and check us out.”

Upcoming events for the Sacramento Tall Club are posted on social media including Facebook and Meetup, Huggett said. Call 916-469-8255 to learn more about upcoming events or visit their web page at sacramento-tallclub.org. ★

Laid to Rest



Image of the funeral procession of fallen Marine Sgt. Nicole L. Gee, 23 on Greenback Lane to Mount Vernon Memorial Park and Mortuary in Fair Oaks. Photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

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get into the airport and on flights out of the country.

The young Marine’s death hit home in Placer County, where she grew up and graduated from Oakmont High School before enlisting in 2017. Just days before her death, Sgt. Gee was one of several Marines seen cradling and comforting Afghan children prior to their evacuation from the country.

On August 21, Gee posted a photo of herself holding an Afghan child on Instagram. “I love my job,” she wrote.

Gee, a maintenance technician with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit from Camp Lejeune, North



Young families, school children and veterans lined much of Greenback Lane from Sunrise to Fair Oaks Boulevard. Photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

Carolina, was sworn into the Marines less than a year ago and was promoted to sergeant three weeks before the Kabul attack, according to posts on her Instagram account.

A memorial service was later held Saturday, Sept. 18th at Bayside Church Adventure Campus on Stanford Ranch Road in Roseville. ★



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Molly Josephine Koch Scheidel

November 15, 1930 to August 19, 2021

Molly Josephine Koch Scheidel: Went peacefully with our Lord, at home, with loved ones at her side, on August 19, 2021; after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. She was 90 years young, born on November 15, 1930 to Arthur and Mattie Koch, on the farm, in Barnes County, N. Dakota. She was the youngest of their six children. Molly graduated from Valley City High School in 1948 and on October 1st, of that year; she married her first husband, Frank J. Sadek. While farming in N. D., they started their family in 1950. By 1956 they had five children and moved to Sacramento, CA. In 1961, their youngest child was born and in 1962, they bought a home in Elverta. Their Marriage dissolved in 1966. In 1970, Molly married the Love of her Life, LaVerne C. Scheidel of Elverta. Together they built a beautiful life; True Love, 6 kids and all. Molly forged a career in the medical records field, starting at Roseville Community Hospital in 1969. In 1972, Molly was awarded her Accredited Record Technician (ART) title, from the American Medical Record Association. While at RCH, she achieved the position of Assistant Director of the Medical Record Department, maintaining that position until her retirement in November, 1994.

Molly was preceded in death by her parents; Art (Fritzie) Koch & Mattie (Bill) Cox; her Brothers & Spouses; Bud (Ruby) & Ted (Jo) Koch; Sisters & Spouses; Jean (Jerry) McCandless & Emily (Leonard) Ermatinger; Infant sister Kay Frances; sister-in law & spouse, Frances L (Robert) Bollinger; son-in-law, Larry Booth; Her beloved husband LaVerne; her devoted son, Steven G. Sadek & Granddaughter, Jennifer Brooke Sadek.

Molly is survived by her loving children: Three daughters; Dana (Duane) Martin, Las Vegas, NV; Molly J. (DeeCee) Booth, Grass Valley, CA; Nicolette (Nicki) A. Sadek, Elverta; Two sons; F. David (Inga) Sadek, Elverta and Christopher R. Sadek, Sacramento.



Grandchildren: Cordell (Cory) (Jennifer) Hendrex; Sarah (Domingo) Loza; Ryan Booth; Audra Booth; Russell, Randi, Robert & Dakota Mawyer; F. Daniel Sadek & Bradley (Amy) Sadek. Great Grandchildren: Macy & Taven Hendrex, Sirenia, Andrea, Evanessa & Josiah Loza; Aiden Veteran, Matthew Booth & Devin Booth Veteran; Hanna Booth-Kreuzberger; Jadon & Jasmine Mawyer; Esther, Justis & Helena Sadek. Molly is also survived by her brother, Dan (Hope) Koch, St. Helens, OR.; Sisters; Bonnie (Clarence) Storbeck, Shadron, NE.; Rose Ann (Lyle) Fisher, Boise, ID.; Patty (Cordell) Halverson, Las Vegas, NM.; Mary Ellen (Ron) Cookston, Houston, TX., and many nieces, nephews, cousins and many more relatives.

Molly was, first and foremost, the wife of a rice farmer, she was also active in the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter #631, Rio Linda, for 40 years. In OES, she was a recipient of the Dr. Rob Morris Award & the Service Award. She was a 9th degree crossword puzzle master and she was an avid reader until her sight failed her and until her hands failed her, she enjoyed using them to Knit, Crochet, Needlepoint and Sew.

The Family would like to extend a very special THANK YOU to Nicki, loving daughter, longtime companion & home manager. Also, Theresia Olson, moms, more that part-time caregiver, friend & companion for 4 years. Thank you, also, to the dedicated staff of Sutter Hospice, Roseville, especially, Annie, Peter, Ning and Nancy. You are all ANGELS and we know you will continue to be to others. Thank you so much for the tender care you all gave to our mother and May God Bless you all!!

Mom wanted her last words to be "I LOVE MY FAMILY!" and if you were her friend, then you were her family.

Mother (Molly), was very generous and gave to many charities, so, in lieu of flowers, please give to a charity of your choosing. Thank you!

McCarty and Senator Pan Present Latino Center of Art & Culture \$1M



The Latino Center of Art and Culture received a \$1 million check from Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (D – Sacramento) and Senator Richard Pan (D- Sacramento) on September 15th at Winn Park. From left to right: Jim Gonzalez - Latino Economic Council, CEO; Cathy Rodriguez - Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, President/ CEO; Councilmember Katie Valenzuela, (Behind councilmember) Cruz Naranjo, Arts Commissioner (District 4), Senator Dr. Richard Pan; Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (D – Sacramento); Marie Acosta, Executive Director, LCAC - Carissa Gutierrez, Board Chair, LCAC. Photo provided by Office of Assemblymember Kevin McCarty

Office of Assemblyman Kevin McCarty

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (D – Sacramento) and Senator Richard Pan (D- Sacramento) presented a \$1 million check to the Latino Center of Art and Culture (LCAC) on Wednesday, September 15th at 3:30pm at Winn Park.

Founded in 1972 – during the Chicano Civil Rights Movement of the 1970s—as La Raza Bookstore, the center has become a hub to Sacramento’s Chicano artists. In 2014, the Center became the Latino Center of Art and Culture.

The LCAC provides programs that help artists and communities affected by either race, class, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, and/or immigration status. LCAC offers new insights into contemporary, emerging Latinx art, while supporting and maintaining centuries-old cultural traditions that

“The Latino Center for Arts and Culture provides a safe haven for artists and for the Latin Community to congregate, learn and share their rich culture,” said Assemblymember McCarty. “It’s a much needed space during these divisive times.”

“I am excited to support the Latino Center for Art & Culture, which celebrates, and preserves art and culture of Chicano, Latino, and Native populations in Sacramento, in establishing a new home in Winn Park thanks to state dollars we secured,” said Dr. Richard Pan. “The Center’s new home will enable growth of the artistic and cultural contributions of

Sacramento’s Latinx community to our region’s rich, diverse cultural offerings.”

“The Latino Center for Arts and Culture is a critical institution in our community,” said Councilmember Katie Valenzuela, who will be speaking during the event. “Helping them find resources and space to conduct their programming has been a high priority for our office. This \$1 million will help them establish a cultural hub and further activate Winn Park. I applaud Assemblymember McCarty for making this dream a reality!”

“The Latino Center of Art and Culture, Sacramento’s second oldest cultural institution, is honored to have a new home in Winn Park. We thank Assemblymember Kevin McCarty, Senator Richard Pan and Councilmember Katie Valenzuela for making this new home a reality,” said Latino Center of Art & Culture Executive Director, Marie Acosta. ★

Local Hispanic Artists Exhibit their Rich, Multifaceted Artwork



Selena Brown Rios showcases her art piece Unbelievable. Photo provided by ACAI



De Colores is a September exhibit at ACAI of the rich Hispanic culture in the Sacramento region. Photo provided by ACAI



Fighting Adaptation by Kristol Lopez. Photo provided by ACAI

ACAI Studios & Gallery

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - September is Hispanic Heritage Month. Allied Ceramics Art Institute Studio and Gallery (ACAI) is honoring local Hispanic artists in their current gallery exhibition running through Sept 25. Eleven local artists will show off their diverse art which ranges from digital painting, ceramics, mixed media, charcoal drawing, acrylic painting, and sculpture.

De Colores, “many colors”, is the heart of the September exhibit. Our Sacramento region is rich in Hispanic culture and it is our privilege and delight

to highlight these local artists for you. The diversity of color, medium, and style of art created by the talented artists in this month’s exhibit is rich and inspiring. There is not a more tangible display of the exquisite and multifaceted Hispanic culture than in the realm of artistic expression.

Some of the artists are still college students or recent graduates from California State University, Sacramento, American River College, and Sierra College. A big thank you to the Arts Department at these local colleges for referring their talented students to us. Please drop by and support local artists in

your community.

To take a virtual online tour of the De Colores go to ‘acaistudios.com’. Click on “see the show online” to read the artist stories, view their artwork and descriptions.

Gallery Hours: Wed to Fri 1-4, Sat 11-3, running through Sept 25. Please join us on Saturday, Sep 25, 2021 from 6 to 8 pm. For an open house reception, free to the public, with live music, food, drinks, and lots of inspiring art. You can meet the local artists and purchase their art.

ACAI Studios and Gallery is located at 7425 Winding Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Phone 916 966-2453. ★

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Chicken Drumsticks	69¢	Pork Butt Roast Bone-In	\$1.69	Pork Neck Bones	\$1.39

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Ask Toni

Reader Alert!! Dangers of Changing Medicare Options with Telemarketers!



Toni King

Morning Toni:
When I first got Medicare, I picked a Medicare supplement plan F. In 2019, I was approached by a telemarketing phone call. He talked me into Medicare Supplement Plan K to save some money since I was in good health and could answer the health questions.

I was hospitalized in March 2020 due to low sugar when I passed out at home. I had no idea that I was an insulin dependent diabetic that caused me to need dialysis when my kidneys stopped working.

With Plan K, I must pay 50% of the Medicare Part A hospital deductible and the Medicare Part B costs is astronomical. I now pay the Part B deductible plus 50% copay for all Part B services. I had to pay over \$5,000 in 2020 and much more for 2021. I made a bad decision to change!

I tried to change this Medicare Supplement during Medicare Annual Enrollment last fall, but the agent said I cannot because I am having dialysis.

I thought with Medicare that pre-existing conditions did not count. Can you help me to understand this? ~ Thanks, Terry

Wow, Terry...What a great question:

Americans that do not have health problems need to realize that a healthcare crisis can happen at a split second. Everyone wants to save a few dollars and do not realize how intense it is to be medically underwritten with any type of insurance plan, especially a Medicare Supplement.

Terry, you went from a Medicare supplement plan "F", where you would have zero out of pocket and all Medicare expenses would be covered 100% to "Plan K" which does pick up Medicare expenses but has a tremendous out of pocket and keeps rising every year.

Since you now have End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) which requires kidney dialysis; you cannot qualify for a Medicare Supplement

Good News because starting in 2021 Medicare's Annual Enrollment Period most Medicare Advantage plans are now accepting those with ESRD (End Stage Renal Disease).

There are 2 chapters in my book, Medicare Survival Guide® Advanced edition which explains the difference in Medicare Supplements and Part C Medicare Advantage Plans. Chapter 3 of the Medicare Survival Guide® discusses Medicare Supplements, also known as Medigap policies. In chapter 4, I explain what Medicare Part C or Medicare Advantage plans are and the different type of plans...HMO, PPO, PFFS (Private Fee for Service), SNP (Special Needs Plans).

With a Medicare Supplement, the most comprehensive plans that cover more of your Medicare expenses are "Plan F and G". Now remember that Medicare Supplement Plan "F" are not available for those who turned 65 beginning January 1, 2020, but Medicare Supplement Plan "F" is still available to those who's Medicare Part A began prior to January 1, 2020. To make a change to their Medicare supplement, they may have to answer underwriting questions.

Medicare Supplement Plan "F" picks up most of your Medicare approved amounts with zero out of your pocket. Plan "G" is similar to Plan "F" except it does not include the Part B deductible that is \$203 once a year for 2021. The Part B deductible for 2022 has not been announced.

America should be aware of "friendly" telemarketers that call to try and change one's Medicare plan options. Please be careful giving out personal information to strangers over the phone. Medicare telemarketers are lurking around like a "lion", waiting for the right person to attack to help change their Medicare decision when they only need proper Medicare information to help them make the right Medicare decision.

Toni King, Medicare author/advocate is giving a \$5 discount to the Toni Says® readers on the Medicare Survival Guide® Advanced book at www.tonisays.com. For a Medicare personal consultation, call 832/519-8664 or email info@tonisays.com. ★



By County Supervisor Sue Frost

Through the generosity of the The Rio Linda News, this column serves to provide an update about matters affecting the community of Rio Linda.

One of my favorite things to do as a County Supervisor is support local organizations that give back to the community. Nonprofit organizations fill gaps left by government, providing services and supporting cultural growth in a way that is more personal and more direct. Every year that I have been on the Board of Supervisors, we have been able to support the invaluable work of nonprofits with funds generated by the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT), which comes from guests staying in hotels/motels. Through the TOT Grant Program, the Board of Supervisors awards a million dollars to nonprofits every year to help them enhance their impact on the community. I am thrilled that we are yet again launching the TOT Grant Program for the 2021-2022 cycle and the applications are open! For that reason, I thought that I would use this as an opportunity to increase awareness of the program and encourage as much participation as possible.

Applications are located here: bdm.saccounty.net/TOTGrantProgram

Applying organizations are required to be based in Sacramento County and must have specific programs they are requesting to fund. Programs can be for training, events that support tourism, address community issues, or that reach underserved

RIO LINDA COMMUNITY UPDATE

A TOT of Money Going to Nonprofits

populations. Applications are reviewed and measured by subject area experts and are divided by the subject areas of arts and culture, community development, economic/workforce development, and health and human services. The more specific applicants can be, the better. The more information about how an organization and program have helped and will continue to help the community, the better. All applications must be submitted online and on time. I want to stress all of those points because we receive so many applications and I want every organization to maximize its chances of receiving funds.

While the total amount of grant funds available is one million dollars, no single organization can receive that much. Grants can be no smaller than \$5,000 and no larger than \$50,000. Additionally, half of the total grant funds is available for the communal competitive pool. The other half is divided among each Supervisor to award to organizations in their district, meaning a minimum of \$100,000 is guaranteed to go to our Supervisorial District 4. I love seeing the organizations in our district submit their proposals and it is never easy to pick who gets funds, but we have always had great successes in each of the communities in our district.

For example, in the past we have been able to secure \$10,000 for "Lions Club of Rio Linda" who worked with Ruby's Baskets to provide holiday meals to the neediest families in Rio Linda, focusing on families with school-aged children. We have also secured \$20,000 for "Rio Linda Cares" to support

their Fill-A-Backpack program that provided not only start of the school year supplies, but also supported kids and teachers through the school year and enabled every child in the District to engage meaningfully in all classroom activities by consistently being prepared for class instruction and activities.

Applications for the TOT Grant Program are due no later than Monday, October 11th at 5:00 pm. As I mentioned, applications must be submitted online and no late applications will be accepted. The nonprofit organizations of Sacramento County do great work and enhance the quality of life for countless people. Whether your nonprofit organization is seeking to provide school supplies for children, organizing a community clean up, or expanding access to the arts, I encourage you to pull together your team and put together the best application possible. And if you know someone who has a local nonprofit, please send this information to them. The TOT Grant Program is a rare opportunity for us to directly support nonprofit organizations and I hope that many qualified organizations will jump on the opportunity.

Thank you for reading – and as always, if you want to contact me, call me at 916-874-5491, or e-mail me at SupervisorFrost@saccounty.net.

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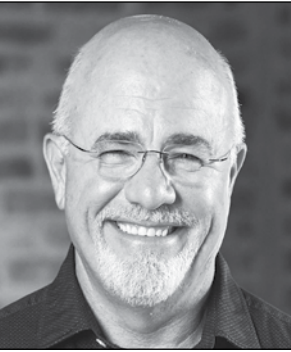
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–Leslee

Dear Leslee,

When bad, unexpected things happen, like a job layoff or a blown car engine, you shouldn't depend on credit cards. If you use debt to cover emergencies, you're digging a financial hole for yourself. My plan will walk you out of debt forever, and a strong foundation of any financial house includes an emergency fund.

Putting together a fully funded emergency fund is Baby Step 3 of my plan for getting out of debt and gaining control of your money. Before you reach this point, however, steps one and two should be completed

Dave Ramsey Says

first. Baby Step 1 is saving \$1,000 for a starter emergency fund. Baby Step 2 is where you pay off all debt, except for your home, using the debt snowball method.

A fully-funded emergency fund should cover three to six months of expenses. You start the emergency fund with \$1,000, but a full emergency fund can range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 or more. A family that can make it on \$3,000 per month might have a \$10,000 emergency fund as a minimum.

What is an emergency? An emergency is something you had no way of knowing was coming – an event that has a major, negative financial impact if you can't cover it. Emergencies include things like paying the deductible on medical, homeowners or car insurance after an accident, a job loss, a blown automobile transmission or your home's heating and air unit suddenly biting the dust.

Something on sale you "need" is not an emergency. Fixing the boat, unless you live on it, is not an emergency. Want to buy a car, a leather couch or go to Cancun? Not emergencies. Prom dresses and college tuition are not emergencies, either.

Never rationalize the use of your emergency fund for something you should save for. On the other hand, don't make payments on medical

bills after an accident while your emergency fund sits there fully loaded. If you've gone to the trouble of creating an emergency fund, make sure you are crystal clear on what is and isn't an emergency.

Also, keep your emergency fund in something that is liquid. Liquid is a money term that basically means easy to access with no penalties. I use growth-stock mutual funds for long-term investing, but I would never put my emergency fund there. I suggest a money market account with no penalties and full check writing privileges for your emergency fund.

Your emergency fund account is not for building wealth. It's an insurance policy against rainy days!

–Dave

Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of "The Ramsey Show," heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions. ★

California's 'Corridor of Corruption' Yields New Case



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

Six years ago, the HBO network aired an episode of "True Detective," an anthology of complicated crime stories.

It was set in the fictional Southern California city of Vinci, a cesspool of corruption and crime obviously based on Vernon, once described as "the most corrupt five square miles in California."

In addition to fictionalizing Vernon's sordid history, the episode folded in California's bullet train project, but it was deservedly flailed by critics as incoherent.

Vernon, unfortunately, is not an isolated example. The southeastern quadrant of Los Angeles County is rife with municipal malfeasance, and was once dubbed a "corridor of corruption" by state Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon. Numerous local officials have been charged with bribery, self-dealing and other transgressions.

Last week, the Los Angeles County district attorney charged four men, including former state Sen. Frank Hill, with stealing \$20 million that the City of Industry advanced to a company called San Gabriel Valley Water and Power LLC for a solar

power project that never materialized.

The case stems from a battle among several cities for control of a 2,500-acre cattle ranch called Tres Hermanos in the Chino Hills, which was to have been the project's site.

Hill, a Republican who was snared in a federal investigation of Capitol corruption three decades ago and spent four years in prison, was a consultant on the project. Others facing charges are William Barkett, owner of San Gabriel Valley Water and Power, attorney Anthony Bouza, and former Industry City Manager Paul Philips, now city manager of Bell, the scene of another corruption scandal a decade ago.

Philips and Bouza allegedly handled the funds, which between 2016 and 2018 were routed to an account controlled by Barkett, according to the district attorney's office.

"While some of the money was paid to other vendors, Barkett is accused of spending about \$8.3 million on personal items. He also allegedly falsified or altered invoices to inflate the amount," the DA's office said.

Barkett is no stranger to questionable financial dealings. As I wrote about the Tres Hermanos squabble nine months ago, "In 1993, federal authorities unsealed an indictment of him and eight other persons involved in what was described as a penny stock scheme aimed at defrauding elderly retirees.

"Two years later, the charges were dismissed by a judge, who cited

unreasonable pre-trial delays by prosecutors. A decade later, Credit Suisse, an international banking company, accused Barkett of misappropriating millions of dollars he had borrowed to launch a large farming operation in the San Joaquin Valley. The suit was later dropped after a confidential settlement."

Barkett is the scion of a politically powerful Stockton family and in the interest of full disclosure, the head of the family sued me and the Sacramento Union for libel four decades ago after I wrote a column about his influence. We were exonerated by a San Joaquin County jury.

The City of Industry is also no stranger to corruption allegations. In 2009 the Los Angeles Times probed the city's insular structure, revealing, as it noted last week, that "for years, the city government was headed by former Mayor Dave Perez, who owned trash-hauling and maintenance companies that racked up millions of dollars a year in contracts with the city..."

"An audit years later by KPMG found that Perez's companies had made a fortune off the city, with contracts valued at more than \$326 million," the Times reported.

Once again, the corridor of corruption yields a case of insider dealing, but it's not the first and won't be the last. The corridor's surface has barely been scratched.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★

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Check out the CruiseFest on Fulton Avenue this year. Photo: California Automobile Museum

California Automobile Museum Press Release

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for the music, food trucks & beer garden. In terms of special featured vehicles, here’s a quick sample, with more announcements to follow. We’ll keep you updated as more commit. Save Mart’s 12-foot tall mega-motorized shopping cart—Powered by a 454 Chevy engine, it can accommodate a handful of passengers and a few bags of groceries. And new to CruiseFest, answering the Bat Signal ... the 7th “replica Batmobile” ever built, owned by Bob Goldsand of Meadow View. There are only 14 of the licensed replicas in the world and Bob’s is the lucky #7 car. These are the Batmobiles that were fully licensed and authorized by DC Comics and Warner Brothers. Holy BatRaffle! There will be a RAFFLE to WIN A RIDE in the Batmobile at a mutually agreed date and time. Tickets are \$5. Must be present to win. Due to the growth in popularity, our last cruise was a sell-out....CRO. (cruising room only) So early registration is advised. CruiseFest is FREE to the attending spectators! Cruisers-Please register at calautomuseum.org - Museum members - \$40 / Non-members - \$50 / Day of - \$75 or call the Museum at (916) 442-6802 California Automobile Museum is a 501c3 non-profit organization located at 2200 Front St., Sacramento. ★



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FBNF2021-07862 JPEX Group, 8053 Harris Hawk Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bober Tea, Mochi Dough" 2791 East Bidwell Street, Suite 600, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 27, 2021
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FBNF2021-07804 Melinda D. Mateo, 4507 Casa Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Vibe Revival" 4507 Casa Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 25, 2021
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FBNF2021-07595 Devin Ross Mosher, 7434 Auburn Oaks Court, #58, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DRM Fire Transport" 7434 Auburn Oaks Court, #58, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 17, 2021
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FBNF2021-07747 Auto Truck or Motorcycle Interest Company, LLC, 9385 Nevins Way, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A.T.O.M.I.C. AUTO" 6236 Main Avenue, Suite #12, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 24, 2021
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FBNF2021-07863 Shane E. Harris, 5708 Platina Court, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Shanes Web Development" 5708 Platina Court, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 27, 2021
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FBNF2021-07341 Jacquis Trodder Enterprises LLC, 460 Buena Vista Avenue, Apt. 203, Alameda, CA 94501 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Family First Auto & Services, Family 1st Auto & Services" 8732 Fruitridge Road, Unit #39, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 9, 2021
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FBNF2021-07876 April Reding, 7468 Poirier Way, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden Pen Mobile Notary" 7468 Poirier Way, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 30, 2021
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FBNF2021-08002 Christopher Palumbo, 87 Del Vista Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Urbn Bred Collection" 87 Del Vista Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 3, 2021
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FBNF2021-07887 Vanessa R. Gardner, 5322 Hemlock Street, Apt. 210, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Authentic Aesthetics" 5322 Hemlock Street, Apt. 210, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 30, 2021
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FBNF2021-07970 Dezaray Demitria Johnson, 2425 Northrop Avenue, #4, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Big D's Smoke Shop" 1441 Arcade Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 2, 2021
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FBNF2021-07972 Hedayatullah Azarne, 1830 Bell Street, Apt. 9, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kabul Transport" 1830 Bell Street, Apt. 19, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 2, 2021
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FBNF2021-08062 Guadalupe Salas, 3481 Jamie Court, Acampo, CA 95220 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Super Clips" 2130 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 7, 2021
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FBNF2021-08104 Anette Louise Bates Levy, 3604 Whitney Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Whatneverackywear" 3604 Whitney Avenue, #4, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 8, 2021
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FBNF2021-07129 Nicholas Robert Solano, 8020 Walerga Road, Unit 1088, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ripple Pool Service" 8020 Walerga Road, Unit 1088, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 30, 2021
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FBNF2021-07323 Auburn Villa, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, 710 Lakeway Drive, Suite 180, Sunnyvale, CA 94085 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Auburn Villa Mobile Home & RV Park, Auburn Villa Mobilehome & RV Park, Auburn Villa Mobilehome Park, Auburn Villa RV Park, Auburn Villa MHP, Auburn Villa" 5867 Auburn Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 9, 2021
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FBNF2021-08119 DAON, INC, 2552 Robinhood Lane, Eureka, CA 95501 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Granite's Sub and Wings" 5847 Manzanita Avenue, Unit 1, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 9, 2021
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FBNF2021-07821 Stacy L. Anderson, 176 Creekside Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Intizwint Consultant Services, Intizwint Vending Service", 176 Creekside Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 25, 2021
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FBNF2021-08247 Diana Mae Anderson, 2961 35th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ElevatedEnergies", 2961 35th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 14, 2021
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FBNF2021-08298 Jeryn Tavio Lucas and Vanyel Lamond Lucas, 5306 Dasco Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jeryn's Consulting", 5816 Roseville Road, #10, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 16, 2021
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FBNF2021-08249 Jessica Alena Grechkokey, 10069 Cristo Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MJG Auto Sales", 10069 Cristo Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 14, 2021
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FBNF2021-08282 Khampasong Phrommavongxay-Hoxie, 7314 14th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95820 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kham's Kreations", 7314 14th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95820. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 15, 2021
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- Ridden or pushed around yard
- Chlorofluorocarbon
- Spiral-horned antelope
- Make a canyon, e.g.
- Much of this about nothing?
- Forest destroyers
- Basic belief
- Popular pickup
- Lake scum
- *Popular email service eventually bought by Microsoft
- "CD "maker"
- FEMA's assistance
- Musician's time to shine
- Stephen King's Christine, e.g.
- Plural of locus
- Mongolian monetary unit
- Wraths
- Jar covers
- Like yellow polka dot bikini?
- Desert in China and Mongolia
- Knight's mount
- Cogito ____ sum
- Change the Constitution, e.g.
- Ready and eager
- Table mineral
- *Jennifer Aniston-inspired haircut, with "the"
- Bank on
- Modern prefix
- Beacon light
- Oolong, e.g.
- * ____ Sese Seko, overthrown Zairian dictator
- *African National Congress leader released from prison
- Like a candle?
- *1997's "Fly" by Sugar
- Lowest point
- Smart ____
- Marching insect
- Opposite of digest
- *Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan's domain
- Employer Assisted Housing, acr.
- Fender bender consequences

DOWN

- Crystalline hydrochloride, colloquially
- Nabisco top best-seller
- Refuses to
- Bodily swelling
- Not wholesale
- Lewis of sprinting and long jumping fame
- Vaccine-approving agency, acr.
- Burger, fries and soda
- Brick-drying oven
- It's hard to resist
- Precedes Abby
- Consume, as in drugs
- Slang for radical or cool, 2 words
- America's singer choices
- Last, abbr.
- Weapon in a holster
- Fidel Castro's smoke
- Pleasant odor
- Renaissance instrument resembling a violin
- *TV hit "Sex and the ____"
- *Bee ____
- What many TV hits have done
- Fireplace
- * ____ Protocol, climate change-related international treaty
- Hyperbolic sine
- Withered
- COVID-19 variant
- Expose the falseness
- * ____ the Games Begin!"
- Pined
- Sign of a saint, pl.
- *Bad news travels fast," e.g.
- Algeria's neighbor
- Plow-pulling duo
- *"Where It's At" singer
- Urban story
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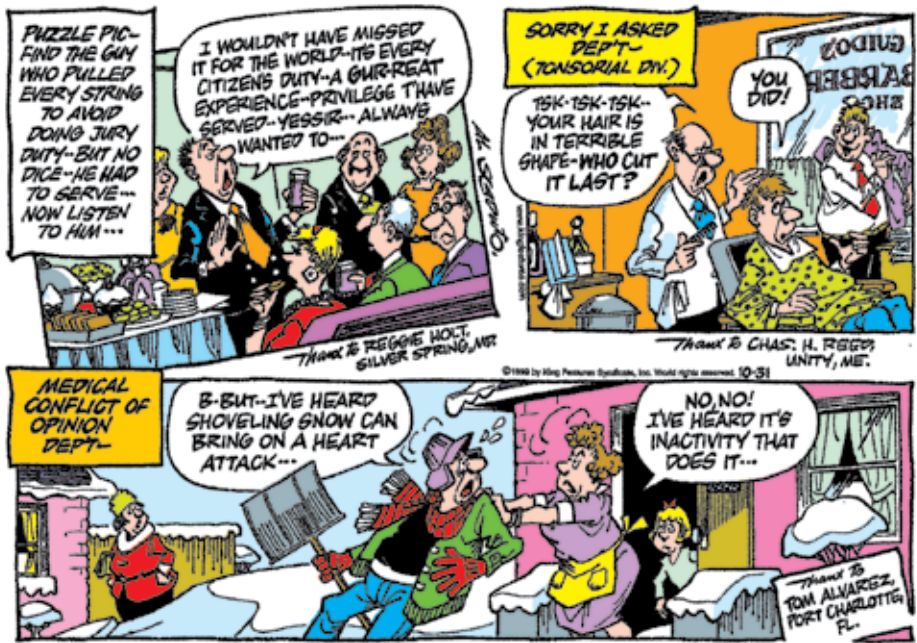
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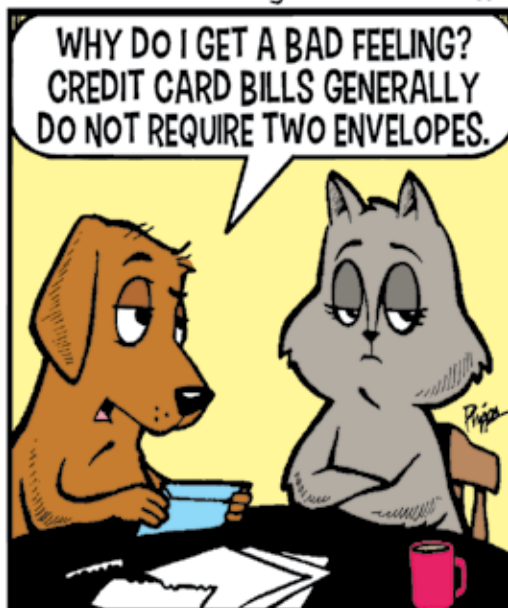
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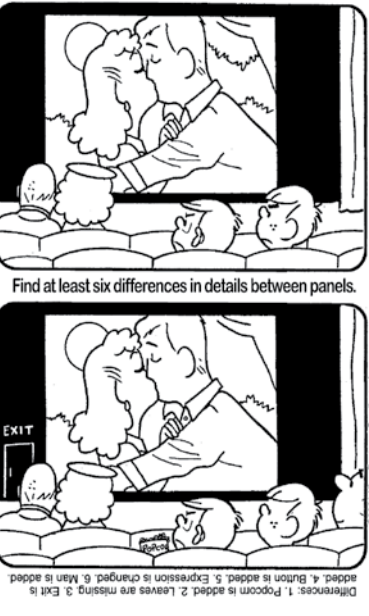
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Mom Inspires Girls’ STEM Event

Story and photos
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SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)
- A mom’s determination for girls to pursue STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) futures last weekend inspired a career day at the Aerospace Museum of California.

The event attracted hundreds of young women and their families. On-site role models included female professionals in medicine, dentistry, aviation and engineering – fields where women comprise only a quarter of the workforce. Museum advancement director Karen Jones promoted the day with the idea that girls often felt disconnected from technology. “And yet we’re surrounded by it and using it in most aspects of our lives,” she says. “A young girl who talked to a water resource engineer last weekend said she had no idea water management offered career possibilities. For lots of girls, the word “engineer” sounds a big thing to grasped.

“It’s been my dream for many years to help change that culture. STEM is the future. I want girls not to just consume technology but to produce it; I want them to lift their heads from their phones and solve problems using the technology that’s all around them. The idea is not to exclude boys, but girls need more encouragement in these fields. We have flight simulators at the museum, and I see little girls holding back, like it’s something for their brothers. STEM experience is for everyone.

The Gold River mom’s passion hatched while raising her own daughters. Now teenagers, Lauren and Morgan Jones did what other little girls did: “They played with dolls and did gymnastics,” notes their mom. “But they had had their dolls zip-lining in the backyard. They were always building and figuring how to move things around. As they got older, I wanted them to have more technical experiences. I became a Girl Scout Leader so



Event organizer Karen Jones and daughters Lauren (left) and Morgan. Mom’s encouragement led her teenagers to shine in robotics. The girls were among mentors at a recent Aerospace Museum event.



Aerospace Museum docents adopted Rosie-the-Riveter attire. Event committee volunteers included Sharon Ruffner (left), Margaret Rogers, Linda Martin, Heidi Sanborn, Donna Miller and Sue Boucher.

others could share the opportunities I wanted for my girls. Sure—my Girl troop did build-a-bear projects—but I robot-building. They were lucky. My husband and I both work at the

Museum, so my troop got to meet astronauts, engineers and pilots. When my daughters wanted to join their school’s robotic team, I said, great! Having them excited about robots could lead to a ton of great opportunities.

“Lauren and Morgan had wonderful mentors. But I thought: what about young ladies who don’t?”

The idea of an event linking role models and young women hatched as Jones, Museum Vice President Linda Martin and SMUD Board Member Heidi Sanborn considered Rosie the Riveter’s iconic WW II image. Rosie moved mountains with her “we can do it” attitude; the Aerospace idea was to similarly inspire by modern example. “We wanted to spark girls’ interest by having them up close to women sharing STEM journeys,” says Jones. “We weren’t just offering career info; we asked mentors to talk about what inspired them. We want girls to be inspired, too. If they see themselves in these male-dominated jobs, they’ll think about pursuing technical fields.”

“We Can Do It” day dawned bright and sunny; with dozens of STEM mentors and activities spread across the museum tarmac. Desert Storm veteran and airline pilot Cathy Cook was a rock star attraction. “It would’ve helped me to have events like this when I was a teenager,” observed Captain Cook. “Back then, there were no females flying. When you encounter a real pilot, you realize: it’s just an ordinary person, doing something I could do. I was surprised how I often had a line of girls waiting to see me. They asked good questions: Was I ever in emergencies? Was I ever afraid? I told them you’re not scared, you’re prepared. You have training and judgement to figure out what to do. Your plane doesn’t know whether it’s being controlled by a man or a woman. So why not a woman?”

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