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# Brown, Edinburgh to join Jennings in Pocket News Candidate Forum

By LANCE ARMSTRONG

*Editor's Note: This is part two of a two-part series regarding the upcoming Pocket News Candidate Forum.*

Sacramento City Council District 7 candidates Tristan Brown and Victor Edinburgh are among the three candidates who will participate in the Pocket News Candidate Forum on May 9.

The event will be held at the Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Also participating in the event will be the incumbent, Rick Jennings, who won the District 7 race against former Sacramento Fire Chief Julius Cherry in 2014.

Jennings shared some of his views on local issues for the April 20 edition of the Pocket News. That article can read at www.valcomnews.com.

With their desire to have readers learn about their own views on local issues, Brown and Edinburgh also spoke to this paper.

## Tristan Brown

During his interview with this publication, Brown, who lives in the Pocket, described himself as part of a group of activists who believe that changes should be made to the way the city is governed.

"There's just kind of a climate right now of old-time activists that feel like we need to step in and lean in a little bit more, because we've been trying a lot of the same, old policies and methods of governing, and they're just not working for most people," he said.

As for his political background, Brown, 35, spent more than a decade as an organizer on city, county, state and federal issues.

Brown mentioned that his decision to challenge Jennings derived from such issues as the rising cost of housing and the growing homeless population.

"Those are the kinds of things that you look around and you say, 'Who can we get to run to really address these issues?'" he said. "Nobody wanted to run against Council Member Jennings, who was vice mayor at the time. But I believe democracy demands a choice, otherwise it doesn't work.

"Nothing personal against Mr. Jennings, but I have different ideas and different methods and I think that I could do a better job. So, here I am."

Regarding homelessness, Brown said that he is interested in having more housing available to help alleviate this issue.

"I know through research that it is three times cheaper to house someone than to throw all these services at them," he said.

"If you have to chase people down between various emergency shelters and triage centers, it is super difficult for the social worker to actually make a difference. So, if we house folks first, it helps (battle) some of the mental illnesses, and now there's safety and security and warmth."

In response to hearing elected officials complain that they cannot obtain financing for housing such as tiny homes, Brown recommended establishing a public bank that is registered with the Federal Reserve.

He said that with those funds, the city could have tiny homes built for the homeless and affordable housing constructed for those who could not otherwise afford to live in the city.

"That's a direct way for us as a city to get involved and really fix the problem ourselves," he said.

Brown mentioned that he is also interested in exploring ways to have an effective mass transit system in Sacramento.

He said that to reach that goal, it is important to "downsize and electrify" by adding smaller, electric busing to the city's transit system.

Brown stressed his frustration with current bus routes, with buses that only arrive once per hour, and as a result discourage ridership.

"If I'm two minutes late (for a bus), I'll be an hour and two minutes late, because there's

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# Robbie Waters Pens Autobiography

By PATRICIA A. CLARK




The man for whom our local library is named has now penned his autobiography. Former Sacramento County Sheriff and City Councilmember Robbie Waters has published a book entitled, "Through The Years, The Legacy of Robbie Waters," which chronicles his life and times. The 185-page book covers his early years growing up in Sacramento in the 1940s and 50s, his colorful years on the Sacramento Police Department rising through the ranks to Homicide Lieutenant, his 4 years as the county sheriff and his 16 years serving on the Sacramento City Council.

Reading just as Waters talks – short and to the point – the book is composed mostly of short vignettes. He does give more text to complicated subjects like the attempted assassination of President Gerald Ford by Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme at the State Capitol in September 1975 and the decision to run for county sheriff in 1981. Waters also devotes pages to the Pig Bowl origins, then an annual football game between the Sacramento Police Department and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department at Hughes Stadium, complete with a photo of the first Pig Bowl poster from 1975. Adding to the book's authentic feel are the photographs, liberally sprinkled throughout, culled from the scrapbooks his wife Judie has diligently kept throughout the decades.

The book has fascinating stories with numerous elected officials, including Governor Ronald Reagan, Governor George Deukmejian (who was elected governor the same year Waters was elected sheriff), and Governor Schwarzenegger shortly before he was elected. The only presidential story is the Gerald Ford attempted assassination but the story is well worth it, if only for the black-and-white photo of Waters driving Squeaky Fromme in a police car to her arraignment at federal court. The photo hung in his city council office for years where guests frequently commented on it.

Celebrities like Chuck Yeager, Bill Graham, Joe Montana and Billie Jean King make an appearance in the book too, mostly in photographs. Waters writes of the time he met Clint Eastwood, also known as "Dirty Harry," and they discussed Eastwood's detective movies. There are reflections on local celebrities also like former Sacramento Police Department Chief Jack Kearns, former Judge Gerald Bakarich and local attorney John Virga. There is the story of Waters using the Heimlich Maneuver to save Dr. John Young's life while on a trip to Washington, D.C. A surprising encounter with Patty Hearst in Sacramento and a section on the Unabomber, Ted Kaczynski, round out the headlines.

Now 82, Waters still remembers details from the three deliveries of babies while on the police force. In person, Waters can get emotional talking about the babies and what a special moment it is when they take their first breath. He poignantly recounts the brutal episode that haunts him to this day, the sexual assault and murder of a 6-year old girl in a vacant apartment on N Street. The famous 1974 shootout in the Neptune's Table parking lot on South Land Park Drive is recounted in nine detailed pages. Waters was awarded the Silver Medal of Valor for this incident in which one suspect was killed and the other captured.

Younger readers might be surprised how clearly Waters remembers his first real job delivering the Sacramento Union newspaper to 100 homes early each morning. His service in the U.S. Air Force in the mid-1950s is especially well-told with heat, humidity and boredom featuring prominently during his tour of duty at Andersen Air Force Base on Guam. The politics of the 1982 race for sheriff make an interesting read, especially one particular live television debate of the candidates by Channel 3.

The book does a public service by revealing the back story of some of our local landmarks. Likely taken for granted now, the county jail at 6th and I Streets required the effort of three sheriffs and some remarkable help from Washington, D.C. to become a reality. Waters recounts the true story of how the American flag and "City of Trees" logo (now gone) were placed on the Freeport Water Tower near I-5 and Pocket Road during his city council years to enhance a gateway to the city. Similarly, the local neighborhood welcome signs on Riverside Boulevard at Seymour Park and Pocket Road at Greenhaven Drive are discussed, with their dual purposes to increase neighborhood identity and remind drivers exiting the freeway to slow down because they are entering a neighborhood.

Other local developments are recounted, like the extension of Cosumnes River Boulevard between I-5 and Highway 99 and the Delta Shores shopping center and housing development at the very southern tip of the city limits. Waters also writes about one of his most enduring and beloved ideas, the Pocket 4th of July parade.

"Through The Years" was published by I Street Press, a service of the Sacramento Public Library. The book is available for $14.95 plus tax by calling (916) 801-6293.


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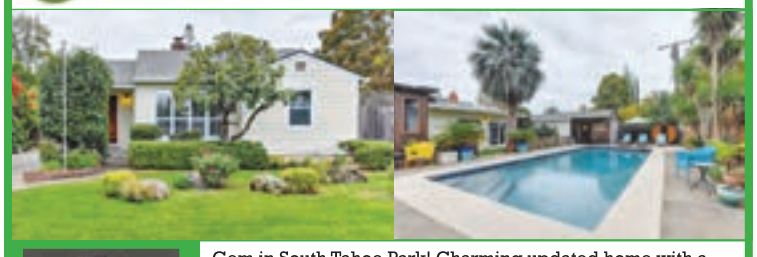



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# **Operation Ground Zero:** Kennedy High is at the Forefront of the Gun Debate

By DOMINIC J LARSEN
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The number of school shootings has dramatically skyrocketed during the short lived 21st century, leading many on both sides of the aisle and folks from all walks of American life to look for solutions in order to prevent these senseless, perverted acts of violence.

Following the horrific attack in Parkland, Florida on Valentine's Day, in which 17 students were murdered by a former classmate, students across the country organized a national walkout in order to protest gun violence. In the hopes of assisting students express their opinions, while also curbing the disruption of instructional time, the Sacramento City Unified School District worked with the schools to set up times in which students could speak their minds.

In cooperation with Congresswoman Doris Matsui's office, Kennedy administration planned a community town hall in which students and members of the neighborhood spoke directly to their elected officials on the topic of gun control and school safety.

The meeting, held March 9 from 3:30 to 5 p.m., was hosted in the campus auditorium with Rep. Matsui, SCUSD Superintendent Jorge Aguilar, and school board member Darrel Woo in attendance. All three of these officials spoke on the subject of securing schools in the wake of shootings, with student speaker senior Malissa Bordeaux adding her remarks as well.

Alongside the politicians that spoke, Parkland survivors engaged in a question and answer period with Kennedy students via facetime. Throughout her speech, and afterward, Matsui emphasized the importance of student activism and thanked all of the students that worked to better their neighborhoods.

Shortly after stepping off stage, at the end of the event, Matsui told the Clarion: "It is the teens. It is the young people. They want us to have a future. You are articulate and speak up, that's really what it is all about. They are challenging the adults… that's the difference today."

Though the conference of elected officials and neighborhood elements was meant to yield results leading in a positive direction, the community was still consumed with fear of a possible school shooting.

The evening of Tuesday, March 13, the Kennedy administration informed families that a shooting threat had been made against one of the school's students. While the threat was made specifically to only one Kennedy student and their sibling at Cal Middle School, both schools felt it necessary to alert to all families and faculty members due to the current climate around guns in schools.

Prior to the statements released by both Kennedy and Cal, the vast majority of both student bodies had been informed of the threats sent through text messages. The earliest reports of students being aware of the threatened shooting occur around 7 p.m.

A screenshot of the initial text message began to circulate social media platforms, such as Snapchat and Instagram, with the Kennedy administration officially releasing a statement at 9:47 pm in an email from the principal.

In a message sent out by Kennedy principal, David Van Natten, it was disclosed that once the police had been notified of the threats, two law enforcement agencies began to conduct investigations surrounding the claims. Alongside the investigations, the presence of law enforcement increased on campus in order to safeguard the security of the school. Speaking directly to students, Van Natten issued the advice "As a reminder, if you ever witness any suspicious activity please report it immediately to the police department by calling (916) 264-5471, or dialing 9-1-1 in case of an emergency."

Following the eventful night of the 13th, the Kennedy campus found itself slim on student attendance. Even though the student body had planned a walkout, in accordance to the guidelines laid out in a letter sent out by the adminis-

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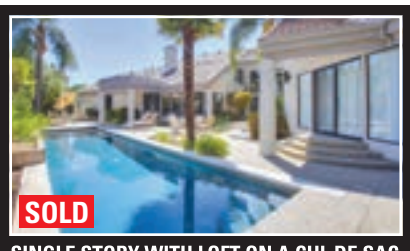

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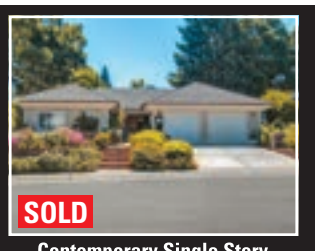

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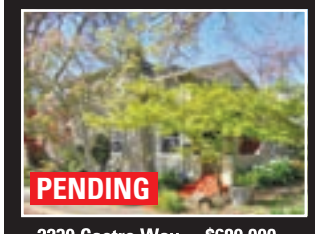

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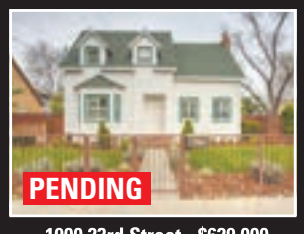

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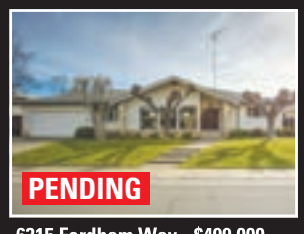

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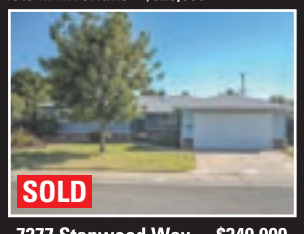

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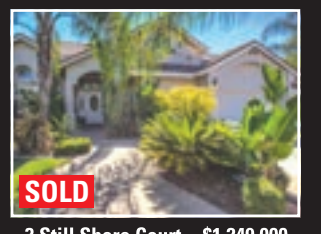

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tration, to protest gun violence, a number of students did not show for concern for their safety and well-being.

"It's something to talk about. The first threat took place on the day we were supposed to unite against gun violence, specifically in schools, but, it was still a good turnout despite the fear it already encouraged. Any students who stayed and participated in the march to show that we aren't gonna stop fighting. Florida really was the last straw," professed senior Marcelina "Marci" Ayana when questioned on her support for the class walkout.

Echoing the comments of his classmate, David Yu, another senior, stated, "One thing that struck a chord with me was that a lot of people had known about the shooter threat before hand and came to school anyways. It takes a lot of bravery to stand up for what you believe in even when you think that you might be harmed doing it."

The walkout, which lasted for 17 minutes to memorialize the 17 lives lost during the Stoneman Douglas shooting, started at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 14. Students and teachers that choose to participate exited their classrooms and met with the other protesters until they converged out in front of the school. Upon meeting, the student body was directed by senior Billy Hernandez on the form the protest would take.

Once gathered and instructed, the group, consisting of students and teachers, reentered the campus and marched around the rim of the quad. A number of participants carried signs that they had crafted in the days leading up to the march. Returning to the front entrance of the campus, the group of protesters engaged in listening to a few words of reassurance offered by student speaker Malissa Bordeaux.

Even with low attendance, not all of the students that came to school participated in the walkout. Some attended school but did not join in the walkout, fearing that if a shooting did occur, it would happen with the all of the student body congregated together. Other students, that hold conservative ideals, chose not to partake in the demonstrations, as they wanted to remember the lives lost and stand against gun violence without protesting their gun rights guaranteed by the Second Amendment.

One of the students not participating in the walkout was freshman Elijah White, who voiced opposition to the push for gun control, stating "A school sanctioned protest is not really a protest, it is just some activity."

Feeling that his classmates were looking for solutions were none could be found, White advised "Just because a tool is harder to get does not mean people will not get them. We need to get to the root cause of the problem." He suggested a number of policies that could be adopted to prevent the ever increasing occurrence of school shootings. Believing the problems surrounding gun violence is mainly due to mental health issues, he called for an increase in resources available to those suffering from an array of problems, ranging from depression and familial issues to the autism spectrum disorder.

Overhearing the conversation, White's classmate, freshman Jalen Martin, chimed in, proclaiming" I am tired of all of this! Knowing that I can walk into a classroom at the wrong time or wrong place, it makes me nervous to know that there are people who want to hurt and terrorize."




Both ninth graders wanted to see some form of safety measures introduced, whether it be armed security guards or allowing teachers to carry firearms. Understanding the concern around teachers having the ability to possess firearms, White felt as if so long as teachers were willing to undergo a strict background check and training process, they should have the right to do so on campus.

However not all students that came to school on Wednesday, March 14 came with positive intentions. The Kennedy Administration notified families that an unnamed student was arrested for the possession of a firearm on campus. The individual reportedly brought a BB gun to school, and on the bus to school.

In an official email from the Kennedy administration to the parents of students, Principal Van Natten clearly laid out the school's policy on weapons on campus, "Please remind your students that weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited on our campus and that any student found in possession of a weapon will face consequences up to expulsion and arrest."

Following the threatened shooting and the organized walkout, the campus found itself calm and quite, that is until the morning of Friday, March 16. Students, once again, received threats via text message, which quickly began to circulate around the student body.

The author of the text messages claimed to have placed explosives in certain wings of the school and con-

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tinued by threatening to "shoot-up" the school.

The administration was notified as soon as the initial threat was issued. Teachers and staff were informed of the threat prior to the lockdown process being initiated. At the start of third period, the alarm, usually denoting a lockdown or intruder drill, sounded and alerted students to quickly and orderly enter the nearest classroom.

With students and staff in secured classrooms, the alarm continued to ring throughout the halls. Interrupting the blaring sound of the alarm, the voice of Mr. Van Natten traveled through the PA system and began to explain the situation to everyone on campus. Huddled together underneath desks, students listened to the principal announce the school would be evacuated amid threats with the assistance of local law enforcement.

Administrative staff and police officers circulated the campus to unlock classrooms and instruct those inside to orderly exit to the front of the school where they would receive further instructions.

Not only were Kennedy students involved in the evacuation, but eighth graders from neighboring schools were touring the campus during the process of investigating the threat. Members of the Link Crew, a group of Kennedy students that work to introduce freshman and visiting middle schoolers to the campus, claimed that the eighth grade students, that were part of their tour groups, became startled very easily.

"During the evacuation, some of the eighth graders were running out of the school because they were really scared." stated senior Jalen Cummings, describing the process of clearing the school campus amid internal threats.

Out in front of the school, patrol cars lined the length of Gloria Drive as the Kennedy student body, staff, and potential incoming students moved towards the intersection with Florin Road. The officers on the scene asked students to continue moving until they reached the Elks Lodge, on Riverside Boulevard.

Brett Williams, a social science teacher, described his experience during the evacuation process "They [students] responded well as far as I am concerned. They hustled out of the classroom, and most headed out. I was not pleased with at least one who hung back next to the school awaiting a ride, but understand people were just trying to find safety and escape as best as they could. I just feel leaving the premises of a threat of an attack was a better move."

Up until this point, the group had remained relatively calm. Some students even filmed the event and posted the footage to their social media stories. Conversations could be heard, throughout the crowd, in which students discussed that they felt as if the threats were falsified and posed no harm to anyone.

Once across Gloria, a group of students splintered from the majority of fleeing people , crossing Florin and continued aside their counterparts on the other side of the street. Not knowing what to do, a number of students followed, even though teachers advise against the action.

Now on both sides of the street, the group embarked on their exodus to the rendezvous point assigned to them. While most found a safe haven in the Elks Lodge, some students remained out in front of the school or stopped in the nearby shopping centers until their rides arrived.

With rain falling from overhead, the doors to the Elks Lodge were opened, only to be engulfed by a flood of concerned students and accompanying adults. Those inside the building, quickly searched for loved ones and checked in with teachers and other adults to see what information they could uncover.

District personnel, police, and Kennedy staff worked to organize an orderly pick-up point for parents. The visiting eighth graders were assisted in finding the bus that would return to their home school.

"It was a hectic situation but I believe Link Crew [and the staff] managed it and the eighth graders were able to go back to their school's safely." stated Link Crew tour guide and junior Hadia Lalagul.

With District officials, such as Superintendent Aguilar, and police on the scene assisting, most of the student body was able to make it home safely within the hour. However not all students were so fortunate as too leave in a hastily manner, with some staying beyond noon. For those students that were stranded at the Elks Lodge, the Kennedy staff worked to get the reduced-price lunches, traditionally offered on campus during lunch, in order to feed those not picked up by parents.

Not only did the Kennedy staff work tirelessly to evacuate students off campus and feed them lunches, they also worked to make sure students were safely transported home and had all they needed while at the Elks Lodge. Many teachers spoke with students in an attempt to comfort them in a time of distress.

Alongside teachers and other adults, students made sure that they did their part in assisting the situation. A number of exceptional youth jumped into action, by accounting for students, easing nerves, and working with their classmates in order to make sure they found all those they needed to.

Some students worked with one another to find an epipen for one of their classmates, without one of their own, having an allergic reaction. The group fortunately found one in time, allowing the distressed student to receive the attention they needed. Another student worked with guardians with linguistic barriers, and was able to translate for District personnel, who worked to find the missing student.

Regardless of whether or not anyone at school was in danger, the Kennedy campus came together in a time of need, making sure to carry one another through the tumultuous experience. Students, teachers, school officials, and Sacramento PD worked with one another to ensure the safety of the Kennedy community.

With students home safely, and the school completely cleared, the Sacramento Police Department issued a statement declaring the campus secured. Later in the afternoon, students and teachers began to funnel back to school so that they might pick up items left on campus and access their vehicles left in the parking lots.

After having the campus cleared of threats and cars returned to their owners,

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# Debate:

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the school once again found itself empty. Police Chief Daniel Hahn, accompanied by PD spokespersons, stayed at Kennedy High to speak to local media outlets in a press conference. District spokesman, Alex Barrios, and Kennedy Principal, David Van Natten, were also present and available for questioning.

Across Sacramento, Mayor Darrell Steinberg held a press conference on the steps of City Hall, speaking to the issue of school safety, at the same time as the one occurring at Kennedy.Though the event had been planned prior to the 16th, it coincidentally coincided with the evacuation of Kennedy High. During his speech, he made it very clear that he supported gun control and the students advocating for it around the nation.

With the event happening just hours before his press conference, the Mayor spoke directly to the impact that such threats have on schools and their communities, stating "We need to deal with the impact on students and the teachers, and the entire school family when these sorts of things happen because they're traumatic."

Steinberg called for an increase of assistive services in schools, whether it be an increase in counseling staff or community outreach, that would foster a supportive safety net. SCUSD Superintendent Jorge Aguilar decided to send additional support staff to the Kennedy campus.

Upon returning to school the following week, crisis counselors made themselves available to students and teachers, throughout the day, to aid them through the healing process. In addition to the therapists provided by the district, Kennedy teachers made the effort to make sure students felt welcomed on their return, by providing a cup of hot chocolate, free of charge, at each campus entrance.

Students were dealing with the emotions surrounding the evacuation as well as an additional incident, that occured over the weekend. The administration once again found itself reporting to families that a incident with a firearm had taken place.

The evening of Sunday, March 18, a Kennedy student had posted a video of loaded magazine to their Snapchat story. The footage quickly was recorded, by other students, and posted to Instagram as well as sent to the administration and police department.

After a thorough investigation conducted by the police, it was determined that a threat had not been made to any students at Kennedy, and that the video was merely a display on the student's behalf to show off his weaponry. Though no threat had been directly made, the student was arrested on charges of possession of an illegal firearm. The student's father was also arrested for possession of an illegal firearm as well as child endangerment.

Continuing with the gruesome pattern, the arrest made on the 18th was not the last of the gun related incidents to happen involving the JFK campus. Shortly before Easter break, on Friday, March 23, another threat was made to a Kennedy student.

Emailing the student body and their families to update them on the ongoing situation, Van Natten issued the statement "My team and I continue to work with the police to follow up on the safety threats already reported, including one brought to our attention earlier today by a student who received an anonymous phone call with a non-specific threat. While such occurrences certainly create an inconvenience on campus, I continue to communicate information about any safety threat that comes forward, large or small, in an effort to be as transparent as possible."

Returning after the week long vacation, JFK High School found itself free of any threats, thus ending the long established pattern of behavior. Though the threats have dissipated from campus, the activism, on both sides, and concern still remain a prevalent theme within the community.

"Safety is of the utmost priority." reassured Principal Van Natten, when speaking about the school's measures towards securing the campus.

The administration is currently working alongside law enforcement and the district to address the problems at hand. School policies, ranging from the dress code to campus security process and future evacuation plans, are being taken into consideration and reviewed to best secure the safety of the students and teachers.

The Comprehensive School Safety Plan, or the CSSP as it is better known, is a set of guidelines put in place by the district to best provide safety to its students. Both by the school itself and the District's Office of Safe Schools, the CSSP is continuously under reviewed, having improvements adopted whenever determined by those administering the program.

"With regard to community building, we are reviewing and examining all possibilities." stated Van Natten, who also encouraged students on campus to come to him with ideas of how to do so. Van Natten also insured that those students still emotional wounded by the events of the last month could seek assistance via the district counselors as well as the counselors, psychologists, and nurse on campus for the benefit of students.

Alongside the progress made by the administration, students are continuing to play a large role in the problem solving process. Students have organized events to further the respective causes that they have been fighting to promote. Junior Hana Ruiz hosted an event, known as #NeverAgain, where students and teachers were able to discuss their opinions on the evacuation and other threats related to the school. The discussion occurred on April 4, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the auditorium.

Junior Kobi Posey, similar to his classmate, has taken to activism. Posey authored a petition, demanding punishment for politicians taking donations from the NRA as well as stricter gun control measures, that he has passed around to his fellow students in order to receive signatures.

The work done by students, staffs, and others involved has lead to much discussion and will hopefully result in the secured safety of our schools and communities. With the events of the last month, Kennedy High School has found itself at a transformative crossroads, having to address the ever-present themes of bullying, gun violence, and mental health on campus. Regardless of what happens going forward, the JFK campus must come together to foster a sense of community and better prepare for the future.

*Dominic J Larsen is the News Editor of The Clarion, John F. Kennedy High School's student newspaper.*







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# Greenhaven Cabana Club North Announces Permanent Closure

**By Jan Dalske**

The Board Members of the Greenhaven Cabana Club North (GCCN) are officially announcing the permanent closure of the club. They are in the process of working out the details. "It is with heavy hearts that we announce the official closure of the Greenhaven Cabana Club North. Rising operating costs, declining membership, and impending repairs were all factors in the choice to cease operations. We appreciate the decades of support from the community and our members, and are sad to see it come to an end. Further updates will be posted as event warrant."




Photos courtesy of Bob Peck
Middle of the tile wall; this is the plaque in the middle of the tiles with Kyle Owensby and Cory Wolfersberger, a dad whose kids were on the Stingrays. Cory was on the GCCN board of directors.




The Greenhaven Cabana Club North is located on Riverside Boulevard between Greenhaven Drive and Havenside Drive. It opened in 1963. Originally ownership of the pool was purchased along with one's house. Over 100 families were original members. Early members recall that the Club served as a social focal point for the community, hosting festive luaus, birthday parties, swim meets, and fundraisers. Today GCCN is owned by 12 local families. Called proprietary members, some are original owners and are now in their 80's and 90's.

GCCN is governed by a Board of Directors. A non-profit organization, it paid $1,172 in property taxes in 2016. All six Board members are volunteers. They provide vital services such as daily pool and grounds maintenance, processing of membership and swim lesson applications, financial oversight, party management, advertising. Over the years many community members have served on the Board. Thanks are particularly due to Dick Williams, Dave Hopkins, Bob Peck and Scott Alden, all of whom put in countless hours to keep the pool clean and safe for the club's members. Last year, 70 families were GCCN members.

The GCCN was a planned amenity when Unit 1 and Unit 2 of the Greenhaven '70 subdivision was built in the early 1960's. The North Club was sold to lot owners in Units 1 and 2 for a fee. These purchasers became the first Proprietary Members. In the 1960's houses in Units `1 and 2 were purchased primarily by families with young children. The Greenhaven Cabana Club was a community swimming pool for members and their guests. The club was open from Memorial Day through September. It is located in the Greenhaven-Pocket neighborhood. Membership was open to families living throughout the Sacramento. The facility was managed by a volunteer Board of Directors.

As families aged and pool use declined over the years, some proprietary members gave up their membership and stopped paying dues. At that time, the decision was made to open up the membership on an annual basis to anyone in the zip codes of 95831, 95818, and 95822. Regular members paid an annual fee but did not have ownership and could not be assessed for capital improvements to the club. They became proprietary members after 5 years of continuous membership and they made a commitment to take an active part in the management of the club.

The club has always been as a California mutual benefit non-profit corporation. Local schools have used the club for activities from instructional to social. The Sacramento Stingrays made the GCCN their home in 1987 when the Southland 6000 Club, which was located on South Land Park Drive, was torn down. They enjoyed a very positive relationship with the club for 29 years as the team grew from

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# Closure:

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40 swimmers when they came, to over 180 swimmers when they moved to John F Kennedy High School. Many families joined when their children were a part of the Sacramento Stingray Swim Team which was based there. The children enjoyed wonderful times and made lasting friends. They called them their "summer family", as many of them considered them to be their closest friends.

The GCCN has been the site of many Boy and Girl Scout activities, birthday parties, graduation parties and even a wedding reception. Local schools have used the club for activities from instructional to social. The girls that were members of the Girl Scout organization selected the Cabana Club for their Gold Award Project. A mural on the patio wall tells their story. Some of the young ladies worked there when they grew up, a few serving in management positions. In recent years, they have returned with their children to celebrate and participate in the annual Fourth of July party and other activities. Many Boy Scout Eagle projects took place there over the years.

The family concept of the club is evidenced in the tile mural on a wall in the patio. When one of the swimmers from the club, Kyle Owensby, died suddenly several years ago, he was honored in the mural. Families often created a tile to contribute to the mural in memory of their lost family members.

Recently, ADA accessibility, which included a pool lift and added parking, were added. The parking lot was resurfaced. Early lap swims were available during summer hours. Social events were held for members. These included pizza and ice cream socials. The club even had its own Facebook page where the members could connect and share information and excitement about the events they attended.

A new updated website and access for online payments was implemented. There was a Senior Membership option available. Dues for the 2018 season were $425 for a general membership. That fee made it possible for all members of a household to use the pool, clubhouse and facilities from Memorial Day through the end of September. A reduced rate of $225 was available for a seasonal senior membership. All members were invited to attend the many social events that were offered throughout the summer months. The membership was a great value for family recreation and membership.

It is unfortunate that this Cabana Club has to close down. But, the years that they were in operation served to create many fond memories for its members and their families.



Polar Bear Plunge swimmers making s'mores.



Breanna LaBriola's Girl Scout Gold Award Mural that she painted for the GCCN.










# Walk on the Wildside set for Saturday, May 19

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**When:** Saturday, May 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
**Where:** Beach Lake Park, Freeport, CA
**What:** Walk on the Wildside is a FREE, outdoor festival celebrating local conservation efforts
**Who:** Hosted by Regional San

## Highlights of the event:

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Children's puppet show by Jason Adair
Hawks, Honkers, and Hoots bird presentation
Guided and self-guided tours of wetlands and riparian forests
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This free event celebrates International Migratory Bird Day and highlights local efforts in protecting and restoring native Central Valley habitats and wildlife. Visitors can enjoy tours of restored wetlands and rookeries on Regional San's Bufferlands, get up close and personal with wild animals, listen to some great blue grass music, and check out conservation exhibits.

**Event Directions:** From Sacramento, travel Interstate-5 south and exit at Cosumnes River Blvd and head west. At Freeport Blvd., turn south. Continue two miles on the river road through the town of Freeport. Turn left at the signs (just opposite Cliff's Marina) and continue until you reach the Beach Lake Picnic Area.

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## Event Sponsors:

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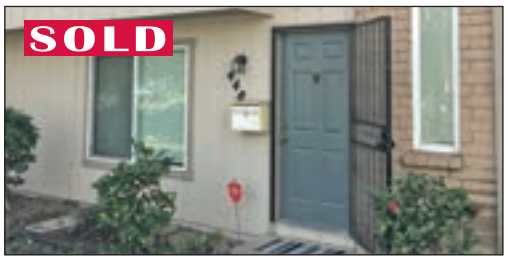


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# Coffeehaven

By MITCHELL BARBER




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How well do you know the coffee at your local coffee shops? I recently took a trip to Le Croissant Factory (6413 Riverside Blvd.), Barrio Café (1188 35th Ave.), and Caffe Latte (7600 Greenhaven Drive) to try each location's most popular beverage and their stand-alone espresso.

My first stop was Le Croissant, which is situated next to Grocery Outlet in the shopping center at Riverside Boulevard and Florin Road. The woman behind the counter was rather shy, but I interviewed her with the enthusiastic support of the patrons who were hanging out in her shop. Her family, surname Kuo, has owned and operated the café for 21 years. When I asked her what was special about Le Croissant, she indicated her connection to her customers. A man enjoying a beverage yelled, "It's like family," as Ms. Kuo was at a momentary loss of words.

Ms. Kuo expressed that a white mocha was likely their most popular beverage. She made one using their espresso machine and indicated to me that they still used Sacramento's own Java City coffee for their drinks. The beverage wasn't too sweet, and the creaminess of the steamed milk and white chocolate paired itself well with the coffee and some cinnamon spiciness.

Next up was their stand-alone espresso. The shots she pulled smelled of savory licorice and toasted bread, and they went down smoothly with little acidity.

The following morning I visited Barrio Café in the South Hills Shopping Center, conveniently located between Reichmuth Park and the Belle Cooledge Library. Sergio Barrios and Melissa Allen opened their café about a year and a half ago, and it has been an exciting addition to the community. The barista I interviewed indicated that the café introduced a new concept to the South Land Park area, with its local art hung beautifully and mission to have a positive impact on the neighborhood. As I sampled the coffee shop's offerings, it was obvious that the present customers were indeed in a good, positive mood.

The barista told me that their most popular beverage was their drip coffee. It was served in a glass mug, and it tasted of sweet tobacco, rum, and spices. These elements were natural for their coffee roasted by Moschetti Coffee in Vallejo.

Their espresso had a sweet aroma, and tasted somewhat herbal with a nice nutty backbone.

My last visit was to Caffe Latte at Pocket Road and Greenhaven Drive. It has been owned by Daniel C. LaValle and his family for 14 years, and it has been present in the same location for 25 years. A friendly barista told me that Caffe Latte is unique in that they are a full service restaurant that serves delicious breakfasts and lunches. They get their coffee from McLaughlin Coffee, which has been roasting in Emeryville (East Bay Area) since 1983.

One of their most popular beverages is their soy mocha. It was served to me without whipped cream, yet it was extremely creamy and possessed

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a thin layer of foam on top. Its balanced sweetness made it delicious.

Their espresso was smooth and strong, and their new espresso machine gave it an attractive orange-brown crema on top. "Crema" is coffee parlance for the light foam on top of an espresso, created by the hot water that is forced through the coffee grounds at high pressure.

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# Candidates:

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not another bus that's going to come for another hour," he said. "It's pretty ridiculous, and you've got to ask like, 'Why do we even have a mass transit system if it's this bad?'"

Also of interest to Brown is expanding the number of police patrolling city streets.

Brown said that the Stephon Clark shooting revealed a need for police to increase the community's trust in them.

"If the folks are scared of cops, then we're really done for," he said. "People aren't going to want to call 911."

Brown added that if he is elected, he hopes to have a specific ordinance passed.

"The first thing I want to do when I get in there (to City Hall) is have an ordinance that says whenever the Sacramento City Council makes a major decision that we figure out what the impact is on certain communities in our city," he said.

"So, what is the impact of what we're about to vote on (to) women, people of color, on the LGBTQ community, and then our immigrant population? We need to be cognoscente of knowing how our actions are going to impact those folks before we act."

Asked why voters should cast their votes for him in this upcoming election, Brown said that they would be voting for a candidate who would be very dedicated to keeping active in the community and working to resolve issues.

"I think if you want a higher level of responsiveness and some new, out-of-the-box thinking on some of our systemic issues, I'm the kind of person that's going to even come over to your house and listen to you and work on a solution," he said. "That's my style and if that's what appeals to you, then I'm your guy."

## Victor Edinburgh

As for Edinburgh, he also stated his belief that he could do a better job than Jennings as the District 7 representative.

"I told Jennings (during a phone conversation), I'm not running because of what you've done. I'm running for what I would do," he said. "He's done his thing. He worked on the school board for 12 years. He worked for Mayor (Kevin) Johnson for seven years. He's been on the City Council for four years.

"I'm not saying anything against (Jennings). I'm just saying I would do a better job."

Edinburgh, whose political experience includes running for a City Council seat in Banning, Calif. in the mid-1980s, said that he would approach the District 7 council seat as a duty.

"It's not a job," he said. "It's a duty. The people on the council should have to get out and do the things to help the city.

"I don't want a job. I want a duty. I want to help people. That's why I want to be a City Council person is to help people, not to get a check. I'm retired and I'm working. So, I'm not out there to get a job. I'm out there to do what I think is best for the city of Sacramento."

A Steubenville, Ohio native and former longtime resident of San Bernardino, Edinburgh has spent about the past 30 years residing in District 7.

Edinburgh's educational background includes earning a doctorate's degree in education from Claremont Graduate University in Claremont, Calif.

He worked as a social worker for about three years before spending 25 years in the field of education. That experience included serving as a principal and dean of students, and working in a superintendent's office for about five years, during which time he helped set up schools throughout San Bernardino County.

His career also included working at California State University, Sacramento, and he has volunteered for various organizations, including Black Lives Matter and United Way.

Among the issues he feels strongly about is homelessness.

"There are a lot of people out there that are homeless, and many of them are veterans," he said. "The homeless should have some place where they can go. They should have a place where they can get back on their feet.

"They could get these homes that they used in (Hurricane) Katrina, Houston. People were living in homes where they didn't have any other place to live."

As an advocate for low-cost housing, Edinburgh supports the construction of manufactured homes to allow more people the opportunity to purchase homes.

Edinburgh mentioned that he is also in favor of establishing rent control for housing in Sacramento.

"I think they should have some kind of rent control in Sacramento, because they're creating more homeless people (through high rents)," he said. "The rent is so high. They can raise the rents $100 a month or $50 a month for people who are just about homeless themselves, and they're only paying what they're getting from social security.

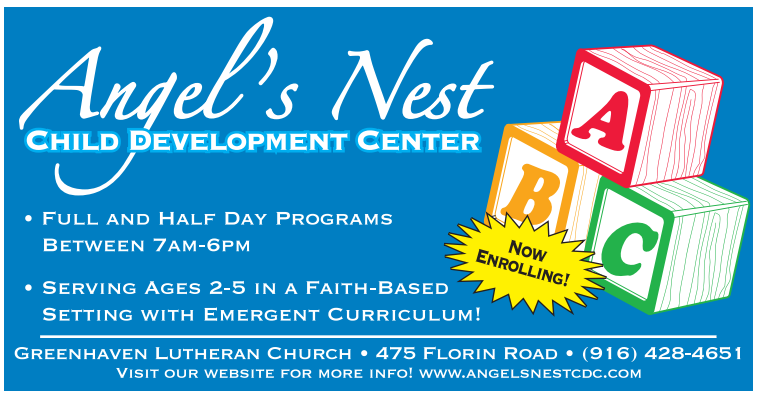
"That's another thing that I think: They should have a law that says you can't toss people out on the street without some type of reason for putting them out. A lot of people are kicked out of their homes, because they complain. (Others are) afraid to complain. Where are they going to go if they have a couple of kids or they're a single person or a single man or a handicapped person."

Edinburgh also hopes to assist in improving the quality of lives of students.

"There should be more help for students," he said. "They should be given jobs. In some of these areas that are poor, we have to start working to clean up the socioeconomics disadvantage, so they can get jobs, so (students and others) bring themselves up to a quality of life that's worth living in Sacramento."

Edinburgh mentioned why he feels that he is the best candidate for the residents of District 7.

"I would be an activist (and) someone who would look at all the issues," he said. "I would try my best to keep people from being socioeconomically disadvantaged."







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**SATURDAY, MAY 5**

***FIFTH OF MAY IN AMERICA CELEBRATION AT GARDEN PARTY AND TEA***: Did you know that on the Fifth of May in America we get to celebrate two great holidays? Cinco de Mayo from Mexico and Children's Day (Kodomo no Hi) from Japan. On Saturday, May 5, children of all ages are welcome to come into Garden Party Coffee and Tea, 5972 South Land Park Drive from 9:30 to 11 a.m. to work on crafting projects to take home and celebrate these special festivities. No cost to attend. Parents' supervision required. 916-431-7408 during business hours. Donations for materials would be appreciated.

***SPRING SHRED DAY FUNDRAISER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE***--Saturday, May 5, 9 a.m. to Noon in the Holy Spirit church parking lot at 3159 Land Park Drive. Secure shredding by Iron Mountain of your old tax documents and forms, bank statements, business records, and other private documents. Suggested donation is $10 per box or bag. Proceeds go to those in need of services.

***ASIAN FOOD BAZAAR:*** The Sacramento United Methodist Church, 6929 Franklin Blvd., presents its annual Asian Food Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food items include teriyaki chicken, Korean short ribs, chow mein, udon and sushi. Boutique handmade items include: handcrafted cards, raffle, games and entertainment.

**MONDAY, MAY 7**

***ACTIVE RETIREMENT INVESTING:*** An in-depth look at financial topics for those who are retired or will be soon. Assess your portfolio; see if is suitably allocated for your needs. Whether you are DIY investing or would like to check on how your advisor is doing with your portfolio, you'll find this class enlightening and useful. Prerequisite: Adults over 55. Pre-registration and pre-payment of $12 required. Class will be held on Monday April 16, April 23, April 30 and May 7, 2018 from 10:00-12:00p at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www@accsv.orgs.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 9**

**POCKET NEWS FORUM:** Join the Pocket News from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library to hear from three D7 City Council Candidates.

**SATURDAY MAY 12**

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**THURSDAY, MAY 17**

***DIABETES ACADEMY EDUCATIONAL SERIES:*** Diabetes Academy is a series of classes dealing with diabetes. This class will focus on checking and managing your blood sugar and coping with diabetes. Free of charge and pre-registration required. Class will be held Thursday, May 17 from 9:30 to 10:30am at ACC Senior Services 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.orgs.

**MONDAY, MAY 21**

***CHOOSING AND TRAINING HELPERS FOR YOUR FUTURE NEEDS:*** This workshop will discuss who you should choose as your agent to make health care and financial decisions and the duties and responsibilities that they will have. Pre-registration and pre-payment of $3 required. Drop-in of $5 at the door. Class will be held Monday May 21, 2018 from 4 to 5 p.m. at ACC Senior Services 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.orgs.

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**TUESDAY, MAY 29**

***CALIFORNIA RELAY:*** This workshop will discuss the California Relay service that is available 24/7 at no cost and allows individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind or have difficulty speaking to make and receive phone calls. There will be demo phones available to show you what the phones look and feel like; also, the instructor will discuss the benefits of California Relay and answer any questions you may have. Free of charge and pre-registration required. Class will be held Tuesday, May 29 from 1 to 2 p.m. at ACC Senior Services 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.orgs.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6**

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**THURSDAY, JUNE 7**

***CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN (CPTED)***: The goal of CPTED is to reduce opportunities for crimes that may be caused by landscaping. This training will teach you about making your home the hardest home to break into. Examples include upgrading windows, replacing strike plate and hinge screws, installing alarm/video systems, etc. Free of charge and pre-registration required. Class will be held Thursday, June 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. at ACC Senior Services 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call (916)393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.orgs.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**

***LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE:*** The Pocket Greenhaven Community Association will be holding their second Local Business Roundtable on Thursday, June 28 from 6-8pm at the Robbie Waters Library. Topics for discussion include determining effective ways to market businesses to the local community and organized "shop local" campaigns within the neighborhood. Additional agenda topics can be emailed to info@pocketgreenhaven.org.

**ONGOING**

***JFK BAND CROWDFUNDING FOR DC MEMORIAL DAY TRIP***: JFK High School has a crowdfunding campaign they started to raise over $250,000 for their trip to DC in May to represent California at the nation's Memorial Day parade. Crowdfunding Site Link: https://www.crowdrise.com/jfk-marching-band-pathway-to-dc/fundraiser/johnfkennedyhighscho

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***MUSIC AND MOTION AT BELLE COOLEDGE COMMUNITY CENTER:*** Rowena Alverto brings exercise classes for seniors with a combination of yoga, tai chi, zumba, for seniors on Wednesdays from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. $3. 5699 South Land Park Drive.

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***INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER:*** This class is designed for beginner or students with limited or no experience with computer. Learn about computer hardware, system components, software and more. Pre-payment of $30 and pre-registration required. Class will start from January 16 thru 25, 2018 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at ACC Senior Services, 7334 Park City Drive. For more information, call 393-9026 ext 330, www.accsv.orgs.

***ARTISTS' AND CRAFTERS' GROUP*** – Held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, this meet-up was started to allow participants from past and current "In Creative Company" classes to continue meeting. Any artists or crafters who are interested in this social group are welcome--just bring whatever you're working on and join us! 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sacramento.

***THE CLARKSBURG COMMUNITY BAND INVITES YOU TO JOIN***: How about dusting off that horn and getting involved! The band is a group of musicians that enjoys sharing a love of music with each other and our communities. The band is looking to expand the ensemble and wants to welcome those who are interested and who play a standard concert band instrument. The band meets Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Delta High School, 52810 Netherlands Ave., Clarksburg. For more information contact Randall Veirs, Delta High School Band Director at rveirs@rdusd.org

***FREE LINE DANCE CLASS:*** Every Thursday from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. "Two Left Feet" dance class for beginners. If you think you have "two left feet" this class is for you. Anyone can participate in this fun activity. Friendly group of people. Drop-ins welcome. Sponsored by ACC Senior Services. Class held every Thursday at ACC Greenhaven Terrace, 1180 Corporate Way. First class is always free. For more information call (916) 393-9026 ext 330. www.accsv.org

***BELLE COOLEDGE LIBRARY VIDEO GAMES AND VIDEO GAME SYSTEMS DRIVE:*** The Belle Cooledge Library is looking for video games and working game systems for our afterschool teen space program for next year. If you have any video games or working game systems that you would like to donate please bring them to the Belle Cooledge Library and we will provide a tax receipt. What is Teen Space? Join other area teens in our community room for our afterschool Teen Space! Hang out, geek out and mess around with friends and snacks! Seriously, what could be better? Teen Space occurs weekdays from 3 - 5 PM (except Thursdays 1:30 - 5 p.m.), is free, and open to teens between the ages of 12 - 18. (During the school year) All Library programs are free and open to the public a library card is not required! Belle Cooledge Library is located at 5600 South Land Park Dive. Library hours are Tuesdays noon to 8 p.m.; Wednesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fridays 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR "SUNDAY JAZZ":*** Come and join our Sunday Jazz event committee for events held the Second Sunday of every month at the Elks Lodge. If any of you would like to volunteer and enjoy listening to good music at the same time, please let organizers know. Hours to volunteer would be 11:30 a.m. to approximately 4:30 p.m. Please contact Clayton Hablitz at: Clayton39.ch@gmail.com Cell number 916 706-9837 or email Lori548@yahoo.com. Cell number 650-200-8570. Come on down & enjoy the fun!

***WEDNESDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION GATHERING:*** Every Wednesday morning from 7 to 10 am., join neighbors at Cafe Latte, 7600 Greenhaven Drive, for conversation and fun. Find the group back near the piano.

***"ALL IN" SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR*** – The Pocket Library will provide games, refreshments, conversation, and fun on the last Wednesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m.! Games available to play include poker, chess, Scrabble, checkers, Dominos, Mahjong, cribbage, and more! Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sacramento.

***ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH SACRAMENTO:*** The friendliest club in Sacramento, the Rotary Club of South Sacramento meets every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the Casa Garden, 2760 Sutterville Road.

***SUNDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET AT THE ELKS LODGE, NO. 6:*** From 8:30 to 11 a.m., enjoy eggs, omelets, corn beef hash, bacon or sausage. 6446 Riverside Blvd.

***SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SACRAMENTO SOUTH:*** Meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at Aviators Restaurant, Executive Airport, 6151 Freeport Blvd. For more information, call Dee at 341-7852.

***JOB COACH APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE AT POCKET LIBRARY***– Make an appointment to meet one-on-one with a volunteer job coach and get help with online job searching, using library databases, interviewing tips, resume writing, and more. For questions or to schedule an appointment, please ask at the library service desk or call 916-264-2920 during open hours. Appointment times are available for most Wednesdays between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sacramento.

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***BABY/TODDLER STORYTIME AT POCKET LIBRARY***– Babies and toddlers (ages 0 to 3 years) and their caretakers are invited to join us for songs and rhymes. Arrive extra early or stay later for extra social time with other children and parents. Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 11 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. at Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sacramento.

***KNIT TOGETHER AT POCKET LIBRARY***– Love to knit? Want to learn? Join us for expert advice, great conversation and more. All crafters are welcome, not just knitters! Every Friday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Robbie Waters Pocket-Greenhaven Library, 7335 Gloria Drive, Sacramento.


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