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An interview with Ventura City Mayor Erik Nasarenko – part one

by Richard Lieberman

Ventura City Mayor Erik Nasarenko was elected to the Ventura City Council in November 2013. He was appointed Mayor by the council in December 2015, and had served as Deputy Mayor for the first two years of his term.

Nasarenko, as well as serving as Mayor is a Ventura County Deputy District Attorney. He specializes in prosecuting child molestation and rape cases. Prior to his service as deputy prosecutor he worked in public education as chief deputy to the Los Angeles school board president, and as a communications director to the Los Angeles and Pasadena school districts.

Recently Breeze Staff Writer Richard Lieberman and Publisher Sheldon Brown met with Mayor Nasarenko for a working lunch to discuss some of the current issues facing Ventura voters and to discuss his first year as Mayor.

Breeze: When you were elected you called for a tax increase (will be on November ballot), are you still calling for an increase?

"I am committed to increasing the sales tax by half a cent, it would provide long term revenue for generations to come, and will help address shortcomings in public safety funding, in deteriorating infrastructure, and for cleaner beaches and rivers. My commitment has

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Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship winners must be entering his/her freshman through senior year in college.

Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship award winners

The Ventura Police Officers Association (VPOA) is pleased to announce the winners of the 13th annual Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship. The scholarships are to honor Sergeant Darlon "Dee"

Dowell, who was shot and killed on August 7, 1978. Sergeant Dowell is the only officer in Ventura's history to die in the line of duty.

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Summers has served Ventura for the past 26-years.

Ed Summers announces candidacy for Ventura School Board

Longtime resident and active community member, Ed Summers announced that he is running for a seat on the Ventura Unified School District Board of Trustees.

Having served this community for the past 26 years, including as a former City of Ventura Councilmember and financial services industry executive, Mr. Summers brings hands-on fiduciary experience, which will be valuable in balancing the needs and goals of the schools with the realities of a budget.

"I have worked with Ed for over 20 years. He always brings a wide range of resources and stakeholders to the table so that we can provide the students in our District with the best possible opportunities," commented Debbie Golden, Ventura School Board member. "I am pleased to endorse Ed Summers for Ventura School Board."

Mr. Summers lists among his priorities, developing relevant career and job skills education for students; growing connections and involvement between the business and educational communities; and establishing a supportive educational environment that encourages

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On March 12, 2016, Kellogg Park held a groundbreaking ceremony attended by dignitaries and well-wishers.

CHDC and Aera helping Ventura to construct Kellogg Park

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (CHDC), through its Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program, is awarding the City of Ventura a \$230,800 grant towards the construction of Kellogg Park, located on Ventura Ave.

Aera Energy LLC is also support-

ing the development of Kellogg Park by donating \$30,000 to help build the park. Aera has been involved in helping Ventura's Westside neighborhood as an active partner in many other of the community's projects.

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Business



Writer Gail is ordering some fine Italian food from Fabiola at Cordello's Pizza.

A smile and a pizza

by Gail Field

If you're looking for a smiling face, a warm greeting and something good to eat, a good bet is to find Fabiola at the counter of Cordello's Pizza on Thompson Blvd.

Fabiola has a long history in the food service industry, but she didn't start there. As a girl growing up in Acapulco, she studied hard, wanting to make something of her life. Her father left the family when Fabiola was young, and she made up her mind to be self-reliant. No more depending on others. "After my father left I saved my earnings and helped my mother and sister." From that time on, she paid her way for everything--school books, clothes, food--so that her mother and sister would have a better life.

Across the street from her high school in Mexico was a gas station, and in the days before self-service, she pumped gas for extra change after school and on weekends. It was her first job, and she carefully saved her earnings. Another employer saw her good attitude and hired her away to collect tolls on the highway near Acapulco. She loved the work, and saw her savings grow.

When she was 18 years old Fabiola decided to set off for California and start her career here.

"Cordello's is a family business," she says. "We all work together with Hugo and Julio Molina as the founders, but we didn't always see eye to eye. I left to make it on my own and worked in other restaurants. After a few years, I came back to Cordello's. I invested in the business, and now I'm happy to see my investment paying off."

"I've always loved learning and enjoyed working. You have to work hard to be successful, and saving money

is important." She is raising her son with the same values that have made her content with her life: self-reliance, determination, and showing kindness to others. "I believe that when you act from good intention, it all comes back to you. The success of this restaurant comes because we provide service the best way we know how."

Some of Cordello's Pizza favorites are the vegetarian Margarita pizza and the Squashed Grapes Pizza named for the winery/jazz club on Main Street. If that's not enough, the restaurant serves salads, sandwiches, calzones, pasta and appetizers. All the sauces are homemade, and the sandwiches are all hot.

You'll find Cordello's Pizza at 1700 E. Thompson Blvd. For delivery call 648-1070. Say hello to Fabiola. She'll give you a warm welcome.

Premier America donates and opens new branch

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Premier America will mark the
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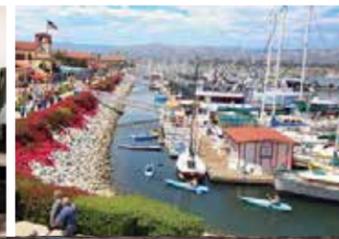
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City News



Citywide, there are many streets throughout our neighborhoods that are in need of repair. Photo by Breezy Gledhill.

Ventura Avenue \$1.9M paving project improves safety

by City staff

The City of Ventura is making significant improvements to Ventura Avenue, from Santa Clara Street to Dakota Drive. By the end of the summer, the work will be completed and Ventura Avenue will have two miles of new street pavement surface, paint striping and repairs to the sidewalk, curb and gutters. The restriping of the roadway will also include bike “sharrows” to improve bike safety, as well as green bike lanes and bike box treatments. In addition to the street re-paving, 95 access ramps will be replaced and/or retrofitted bringing them up to ADA compliance.

The much-needed Ventura Avenue paving project is already drawing praise from residents, businesses and commuters

by providing safety improvements that help move traffic along the Avenue with greater ease. Maintenance for this core infrastructure that helps us carry out our daily routines comes with a hefty price tag, to the tune of \$1.9M for this project.

Why does it cost so much to maintain our streets? The cost of pavement repairs has substantially increased over the years due to increased cost of materials and labor to perform the work. In the past, the City relied on a combination of state, and Federal gas tax funding to pay for road maintenance. However, statewide funding through bond measures and Federal gas tax that has been available in the past for maintaining the City’s sidewalks and roads

has been reduced over time.

The City now only receives its local share of State gas tax funds at about \$2.3M per year. In addition to gas tax funds, the City provides \$1.2M for street maintenance out of the General Fund (the same fund that pays for police, fire, parks, programs for seniors and youth, and other critical services) for a total of \$3.5M in annual funding. However, the City needs \$10.4M per year to maintain its roads at their current level.

Citywide, there are many streets throughout our neighborhoods that are in need of repair. The cost of fixing a road is determined by its condition, and the longer we wait to fix them the more they cost. Our Pavement Condition Index, which is used to indicate the condition of a specific section of road pavement, is currently 69 and is expected to drop to 61 by the year 2021.

Well-maintained streets are among the most important public assets and maintenance must be done regularly. The City utilizes available funding for street maintenance in the most cost effective manner for the greatest long term value. Continuing to take good care of our local roads enhances economic development competitiveness, provides safe mobility and improves quality of life for Ventura residents and visitors.



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Planting trees and using recycled water

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Trees improve our quality of life and environment in several important ways. They help clean the air by “catching” airborne pollutants such as carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide, and by producing oxygen which helps replace the oxygen we, and our vehicles, consume. Planting trees remains one of the least expensive, most effective means of drawing excess CO₂ from the atmosphere. Trees also cool our streets, lowering temperatures in the shade by about 10 degrees. Aesthetically, street trees unify a streetscape and provide visual interest for pedestrians and motorists. Large, mature street trees are considered the most important indicator of attractiveness in a community.

Ventura’s Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for more than 30,000 city trees, and during the last year it added 225 new trees to our tree inventory citywide. These, along with trees on private property and in the city’s Barranca make up the rich and varied mosaic that is Ventura’s urban forest.

Mature and newly established trees can be responsibly maintained during drought conditions. Ventura’s Urban Forestry Program uses approximately 24,000 gallons of recycled water each month to water newly planted city trees. City trees that receive recycled water are easily identified by the “gator bags” wrapped around their base with a purple sticker which reads, “Irrigated with Recycled Water. Do not drink. No beber.” The City also uses recycled water at the golf courses along Olivas Park Drive and the Marina Park area, for irrigating trees and landscape areas at the historic Olivas Adobe and for landscaping areas at the Ventura Harbor hotels.

In June, Ventura Water launched the Residential Recycled Water Mobile Reuse Program – a new tool to help homeowners keep their landscape alive during the drought. The program provides customers with high quality recycled water which is strictly monitored to ensure it meets quality standards for all non-potable uses. Customers can obtain recycled water after attending a free training class at the Ventura Water Reclamation Facility and paying an annual \$75 permit fee; after which they may pick up 5 to 300 gallons of recycled water per visit, for use with landscape irrigation, dust control or soil compaction.

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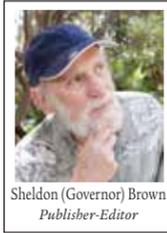
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Opinion/Editorial



Sheldon (Governor) Brown
Publisher-Editor

On Saturday, Sunday and Monday (right before our issue is printed and distributed on Wednesday) Alfred J. Lewis, the Breeze's Graphic Artist from studioNothing, lays out the paper and, as always, makes it look wonderful.

On the Friday, before our July 20 issue, we had a scare. Alfred called me and asked me if I could take him to Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) because he thought it was possible he was having a heart attack. I told him I'd be over right after I finished my dinner (kidding, of course). I immediately took him to the ER and it took them two days to determine that he had a hiatal hernia and not a heart attack.

Alfred was operated on by Dr. Helmuth Billy and spent several more days in the hospital. So, you ask, what is amazing about this? Well, Alfred had his friend Susan Stevens bring his design computer to CMH. The hospital staff kindly, but reluctantly, set up a table on his bed and he designed the paper while lying there recovering, but in pain he was on significant levels of medication (with his great sense of humor, Alfred said that it reminded him of when he was in his early twenties).

On Tuesday, about 6 hours later than usual, Alfred sent the issue to our printer, and on Wednesday we delivered the Breeze to our nearly 600 distribution locations.

Alfred, my hero.

The City Council is looking at new regulations for the control of **massage parlors** and **short term rentals** in Ventura (STVR). Recommendations for both of these uses will be presented by staff to the Council in September at which time they can take further action or request further information. There is a freeze on massage parlors in place that is being analyzed further.

The Council instructed staff as follows for the STVR:

- 1) Return to the City Council in September 2016 with a recommended process for reviewing and considering changes to the City's current STVR ordinance, policies, and practices to include a community and stakeholder outreach/engagement process.

- 2) Return to the City Council in September 2016 with a draft ordinance placing a moratorium on the issuance of any new STVR permits during the review period. This would allow those that currently hold a valid STVR permit to continue to operate under the existing ordinance, but would preclude the issue of any new permits.

The Council wants to know what the effects are of short-term vacation rentals on the community. Many Pierpont residents



Alfred goes beyond - A special thank you to our graphic artist.

have complained about STVR. They want to know about related calls for police and fire services, the number of rentals and how that is changing.

Councilmember Mike Tracy requested a greater analysis of the STVR situation before he could decide whether a moratorium should be put in place.

City staff will also look into how many rentals in Ventura don't have City required permits for short term rentals. I'm not sure how they will accomplish that.

What is interesting is that the California Coastal Commission generally interprets short-term rentals to be an acceptable use in residential zones. The commission sees them as a way of offering affordable options for families to have coastal access and use our beaches.

For massage parlors, to be considered a house of ill-repute, and not a legitimate massage business, it would need to be proven that "There is substantial evidence of prostitution". I wonder what that would be?

In both of these situations, Councilmembers expressed concerns about how massage parlors and short term rental ordinances would be regulated by the Ventura Police Department and code enforcement. Both of these agencies are very understaffed

and are challenged with managing their current caseloads.

Tracy (our ex-chief of police) stated, "If there isn't a clear enforcement mechanism, we're wasting our time."

I see ads (mostly for cars) on TV that state "These are real people not actors." I always thought that actors were real people.

Sarah Palin said that she didn't attend the RNC because Cleveland was too far from Alaska. Was she planning to get there on a dogsled? She had no problem leaving Alaska when she decided she could make more money on speaking tours than from being Governor.

I'm shocked to learn that Brooks Institute's plans to expand into downtown Ventura have been put on temporary hold by Brooks and all construction has been stopped. Some major construction has already started in several locations, which has cost thousands of dollars.

They have suspended the work in order to allow more time to review and assess the buildings and projects, whatever that means. Construction has been ahead of schedule, so, assuming they decide to continue they will still be on schedule. Brooks has a lease until December at their existing location on their Ventura Ave.

Green Planet Inc., a privately owned company in Waltham, Massachusetts, assumed ownership of Brooks in spring of 2015. Green Planet Inc. is a mid-sized, relatively new organization in the business consulting services industry. It opened its doors in 2011 and now has an estimated \$7.9 million in yearly revenue and 200 employees.

To occupy the site behind City Hall which is owned by the city, the occupants (several non-profits) had to pick up and leave. The City Council approved the five-year lease with Brooks for two floors in the building.

This hold by Brooks might not be as it seems. The contractor's doing the remodeling projects were not being paid and shut down the projects. Brook's might be in serious financial trouble. I certainly hope not if Brook's abandons the move (almost impossible to imagine), there will be some very angry and upset people including downtown merchants who looked forward to additional customers eating and purchasing in downtown. And lots of lawsuits.

Mailbox

from preschool on. We should have a national holiday celebrating our ability to partake in making our country free and influencing our elected representatives.

Don't be making up excuses for shirking this job.

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Sincerely,
Es Cole



Breeze:

I know city staff loves having alternate Fridays off and management sold it as saving money, but really, how much \$\$ does it really save and is it really any way to run a business? It is not customer friendly. If we support a tax increase can we do away with

it? Last Friday I observed a couple with a red truck and camper shell going through recycle blue bins on Santa Rosa between Thompson and San Nicholas. They had filled their entire truck with bottles. I called E J Harrison to report it and they referred me to code enforcement whom I called but by having to leave a message no enforcement action was possible. This is just one of many reasons I think it is time to do away with this practice. We are giving pay increases again now and really, this practice needs to go. Mike L Merewether - Ventura

Mr. Merewether

Code Enforcement is staffed six days a week Monday through Saturday except holidays. The complaint line number is 805-658-4711. On the alternate Fridays and Saturdays we have 1 Officer on staff. They respond by the priority of the

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Cylan Brown as Victor Fleming, Ben Hecht played by Joel Bryant and producer David O. Selznick played by Patrick Vest star in Moonlight and Magnolias. Photo by Alysa Brennan.

Comedy at the Rubicon

Rubicon Theatre Company presents *Moonlight and Magnolias*, the hilarious fly-on-the-wall comedy by Ron Hutchin-

son about how the most iconic film in Hollywood history almost did not get made. Directed by Stephanie A. Coltrin, this production features the same principal cast members from her critically acclaimed staging of *Moonlight and Magnolias* at Hermosa Beach Playhouse in 2010. Three weeks into filming "Gone With the Wind"—Atlanta has burned, Scarlett O'Hara has been cast, but there's no workable script and the director has been fired. Legendary film producer David O. Selznick seemingly has the biggest white elephant in Hollywood on his hands, and only five days to save the troubled production from certain failure. Desperate, he brings in the formidable Victor Fleming to take over as director and famed screenwriter Ben Hecht to rewrite the lackluster script. The only problem is Hecht hasn't read the book, and the clock is ticking. With the shades

Community Events

drawn, phone calls unanswered, and subsisting only on a diet of peanuts and bananas, Selznick and Fleming reenact scenes from the novel for Hecht to adapt into a screenplay that would become an epic Academy Award-winning film.

Playing until September 18
Rubicon Theatre Company
Ventura's Downtown Cultural District
1006 E. Main St.
Box Office (for single and group tickets) 667.2900.



The Museum reached out to local Asian and Pacific Americans to add to the exhibition.

Traveling Smithsonian exhibit is featured at the Museum of Ventura County

Asian and Pacific Americans ancestral roots represent more than 50% of the world, extending from East Asia to Southeast Asia, and from South Asia to the Pacific Islands and Polynesia.

In commemoration of this important history, "I want the Wide American Earth: An Asian Pacific American Story" is now on display at the Museum of Ventura County as part of a 21-city national tour. This exhibition was created by the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center and the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service and has been greatly enriched by

art and artifacts from local Asian and Pacific Americans

This exhibit celebrates Asian Pacific American history across a multitude of cultures and explores how Asian Pacific Americans have shaped and been shaped by the course of the nation's history. It tells the rich and complex stories of the very first Asian immigrants, and their participation in key moments in American history by many photos, written history, clothes and art. And their contributions to our very local history and culture which can be observed throughout Ventura.

"The Wide American Earth: An Asian Pacific American Story" includes contributions from local artists Hiroko Yoshimoto, Tiger Huang, Virgil Cardinez, Bijian Fan and Katherine Chang Liu as featured in this exquisite presentation of fine art and Asian culture and traditions, old and new.

The exhibit is not to be missed and closes on August 28.

Ventura events

by Ana Baker

Free admission stage show, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. First Sunday of every month. Old Time Country Bluegrass Gospel Music Assoc. Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd. For more information call 517-1131.

Ventura Poinsettia Dance Club meets every Monday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. at the Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill. Ballroom, swing, Latin, mixers and line dancing. Members \$10, non-members \$12, first time dancers are free. Call Rick at 415-8842 for more information.

DBSA Ventura, the local chapter of the Depression & Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA) hosts two regular, confidential, peer-led, self-help support groups in the County. Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Bible Fellowship Church at 6950 Ralston St. DBSA_Ventura@yahoo.com, visit facebook.com/DBSA.Ventura or call 253-3289 for more information. 1p.m. to 3p.m. at the New Visions Center on the first and third Saturdays of the month. At 1065 E. Main. Email DBSA_Ventura@yahoo.com, visit facebook.com/DBSA.Ventura or 746-3106 for more information.

August 6: The Channelaire Chorus will be holding its annual Ice Cream Social. Located at Center for Spiritual Living, 240 Mobil Avenue, Camarillo. 1:30 p.m. for entertainment and luscious Italian Ices. Cost \$15.

August 9: The Ventura County Writers

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Club will be presenting two money management speakers at their monthly meeting. The program will focus on writers and other home based businesses trying to survive in challenging financial times. Paula Williams founder of the Simi Valley accounting firm, Number Crunchers, will offer reliable information and practices for writers to maximize tax benefits.

Mira Reverente aka the Money Savvy Mommy and co-author of Suddenly Single: Women's Guide to Finance will also be speaking. Reverente is a contributing writer for the Breeze, a journalist, editor, blogger and single mom.

The meeting is free and open to the public at 7:00 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley Senior Center at the corner of Carmen and Burnley Streets in Camarillo. Contact Sheli Ellsworth at 499.3490 for additional information.

August 10: The Ventura County Camera Club will hold a critique meeting on Wednesday, at 7 p.m. at the Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Rd. A professional photographer from the area will critique member's prints and digital images. Each month a special topic is chosen which features some interesting aspect of photography. This month's topic is "Shadows". Anyone with an interest in photography is welcome and admission is free. Only members may submit images for critique. See the club's web site for more information about the club and examples of member's work or call 908-5663. WWW.VenturaCountyCameraClub.com

August 12: Open house at Children's Music Academy of Ventura on Friday, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Located at 5725 Ralston Street, #222. Come check out their studio and get an exclusive coupon. Meet the awesome teachers and hear performances from their superstar students. Fun and refreshments will be provided. This event is free, but please RSVP online at <http://bit.ly/2a6scQN> If you have any questions, please email venturainfo@childrensmusicacademy.org or visit www.childrensmusicacademy.org/ventura-ca

August 13: "Secrets of e-mailing photos" will be presented by Bob Crum to the Ventura Beginners PC Users Group on Saturday. Basics of Power Point and creating stationery will be workshop topics. The group meets 9:15 a.m. to noon in the 3rd floor lounge of Cypress Place Independent Living, 1220 Cypress Point Lane. All beginning and intermediate computer users are welcome to attend. For further information, call 648-1368.

August 20: Bank of Books Saturday 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Featured will be Mike Casper, The Sing Son Child, a love story, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mike Casper originally from Albany, NY lives in San Diego with his family and his two dogs, Jet and Pip. He is currently working on his next installment of this series, The Angel School. 748 East Main 643-3154.

August 24: The Starlight Swing Night and the Ventura Jazz Orchestra invite you to a Big Band Dance Party. Located at Discovery Ventura 1888 East Thompson Blvd. Dance lessons start at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. Show/dance starts at 8 p.m.

For more info visit <http://www.theventurajazzorchestra.com>

August 27: Bank of Books featured will be Philip Brown, Light Runner, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Philip Brown, A contemporary fantasy author, is motivated by the power of words to change lives. He teaches high school and is inspired by his students, many of whom struggle to overcome difficult social and personal issues. He believes the classroom is a place filled with brilliant and amazing stories. 748 East Main Street, 643-3154.



Ojai news and events

by Veronica Johnson

For the month of August, the Ojai Photo Club will focus on humor. Sergio Aragonés, internationally known cartoonist for over 50 years, will speak about creating a humorous story. On Tuesday, August 16, at 7:00 p.m., at Help of Ojai's Kent Hall, 111 Santa Ana St.

The presentation will be as spontaneous as his cartooning - relating to the audience that evening. Expect a discussion of his life as a cartoonist, changes in cartooning in this century and his process of creating a story. Aragonés, widely regarded as "the fastest cartoonist in the world today," will demonstrate his amazing talent using an easel and pens.

Monthly presentations are part of the Ojai Photography Club's community service and education outreach. Visitors are always welcome to attend.

For additional information please visit www.ojaiphotoclub.com.

Two veteran performers are uniting their talents for a journey back to the 1920s through the 1950s in a nostalgic musical treat at Ojai Art Center entitled "Songs Our Mothers Sang" on August 6.

"We'll involve the audience with songs that are fun to sing and I'll croon some old favorites," said Gale McNeeley, who was a boy soprano at his Catholic church in the 1950s, and has sung for his supper ever since. He has performed in the Blue Jacket Choir in the Navy, at Cabarets in New York and on Broadway.

"We'll be doing duets, too," said Betty Faas, his long-time collaborator. At an early age, Faas taught herself to play the piano so well that her relatives asked her to accompany them at a large family reunion. That began a 70-year career playing for glee clubs, soloists, special events and school programs.

McNeeley and Faas have been seen at the Ojai Art Center for six years, presenting shows entitled "Archy and Mehitabel," "Over the Rainbow," "Songs and Satire," "A Jacquiel Brel Cabaret," "A Tribute to Pete Seeger," and last summer's "50 Years in Musicals."

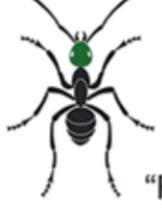
For the Saturday show, the songs range from "Stardust" and "As Time Goes By" to "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off" and "Baby It's Cold Outside."

The celebration starts at 3 p.m. at the Ojai Art Center, on Saturday Aug. 6. No reservations are necessary and there is a suggested \$10 donation at the door. For more details, call McNeeley at 406-4997.

Ojai's real-life "blues brothers," Michael and Lanny Kaufer, are bringing the long-running Bowlful of Blues festival back to Libbey Bowl on Saturday, September 17, after an 11-year hiatus. Michael Kaufer, co-founder of the festival with the late Clarence Sterling, will co-produce this year's event with brother Lanny and promoter Shane Butler of the popular Ojai Concert Series. The show is a benefit for the non-profit Ojai Mardi Gras Wake-Up! Krewe. Net proceeds will be used to bring music and art supplies and extended educational opportunities to local youth. The festival will run from 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Information and online tickets are available now at www.bowlfulofblues.org. Tickets are \$40 in advance for general admission festival seating but are being

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Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship

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In selecting scholarship recipients, the VPOA considered academic achievement, school and community service, financial needs, and the following requirements:

Applicants must submit a resume of school and community activities, including a copy of transcripts through the most recent semester; Submit an essay of 1000 words or less on "Service, what it means to me"; Submit a letter of recommendation from a public servant.

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The VPOA would like to thank all of the applicants and congratulate the 2016 winners of the Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship!

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Planting trees and using recycled water

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www.venturapoa.com.net/water/mobile-reuse-program. In celebration of the City's 150th birthday, the first 150 participants will receive a complimentary 20-gallon tree "gator bag." This program allows our community to reuse as much recycled water as possible and supports our goal of providing a safe, reliable and adequate water supply today, tomorrow and into the future.



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Volunteers are needed to give Reflexology to cancer patients. The Cancer Program at Community Memorial Hospital is seeking trained and certified Reflexologist interested in volunteering at our Cancer Center. The Cancer Resource Center in conjunction with Community Memorial Hospital offers a variety of free services to individuals faced with a diagnosis of cancer as well

as providing programs for family members and friends. These services are offered in a comfortable non-hospital setting. The CMH Cancer Center is located inside the Coastal Communities Cancer Center at 2900 Loma Vista Road.

If you have an interest in volunteering please contact the CRC at 652-5459. All volunteers are required to become CMH Auxiliary members and are asked to volunteer at least 4 hours per month.

There are many Auxiliary services looking for volunteers. Weekdays (daytime and evening) and Saturday (daytime) opportunities have openings.

Please stop by CMH Auxiliary front desk and pick up an application.

News & Notes



The valiant Digital Storytelling crew finishes off the week with a thumbs up.

Another summer of digital storytelling

by Elizabeth Rodeno

Our summer program, Lights, Camera, Action, a digital storytelling program in conjunction with the city has wrapped. A dozen students worked so hard, explored not just camera, directing and editing but concerned themselves with the finer details of art direction, costume design, hair and make-up. They are leaving the program with a fully rounded filmmaking education.

Week one of our Summer Digital Storytelling program found the students outside at the water treatment plant and estuary by the harbor. These 11 through 13 year olds grabbed the gear and took

a tour of the plant, learned about water and filmed on location. It's always a special treat to get out in the field, set your shots and roll camera. They had a blast. They returned to the studio for interviews and then on to editing. Not to mention, it was one of those beautiful Ventura days that reconfirms why we live here.

The 2016 CAPS Media Digital Storytelling Week Two class wrote and directed their own dramatic pieces. As is traditional, the students had a special screening for their families to show off

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Farm Day Sneak Peek

by Sheli Ellsworth

On July 21, Ventura County farmers and Students for Eco-Education and Agriculture hosted a media preview of the November 5, Fourth Annual Ventura County Farm Day. Over a dozen journalist and other interested parties braved the sweltering July heat to visit a few of the over-twenty agricultural facilities participating in Farm Day.

The McGrath Family Farm in Camarillo kicked off the tour by serving lemon-lavender scones, coffee and fresh squeezed juice. Phil McGrath whose family has been farming the coast of California for five generations explained, "There are five Mediterranean climates in the world and Ventura County is one of them." The McGrath Family Farm is certified organic and most of the fruit and vegetables raised goes to local restaurants and farmer's markets, but their roadside market is open daily from 9-6. Depending on what's in season, McGrath's offers strawberries, Lima beans, broccoli, squash, pumpkins, heirloom tomatoes and more, including the you-pick-'em option. McGrath's is also home to several farm animals including a few chickens who refused to comment.

Chris Sayer of Petty Farms emceed the day's events, "In 1893 there was a newspaper article that claimed that agriculture was going by the wayside. Ventura County is one of the top ten agricultural counties in the country and in California only Napa Valley does more dollars per acre." Sayer reminded his audience that the upcoming November election may have a significant impact on local farming. Sayer says it is important for people to become educated about what farmers face and how the four SOAR issues will impact Ventura's farm industry. SOAR is a series of voter initiatives that will require a vote of the people before privately owned agricultural or open space land can be rezoned for development.

The tour visited Houweling's Tomatoes in Camarillo where over 100 million pounds of tomatoes and cucumbers are grown in 120 acres of greenhouses every year. President/CEO Canadian entrepreneur Chris Houweling, self-described "weird guy who thinks dumb things," directed the tour. Houweling says he made "a

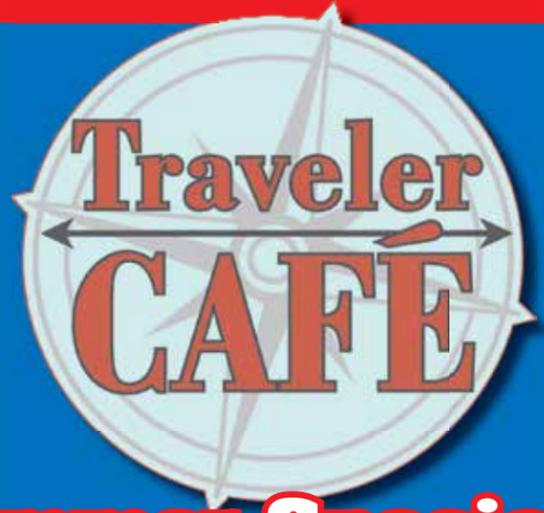
lot of mistakes, but wanted to leave something for the next generation." He strives to make the facility energy efficient as well as environmentally sound. The cutting-edge facility makes its own energy and recaptures its own heat and CO2 with "the least amount of environmental impact possible."

Gills Onions, a Camarillo processor, also hosted the group and explained how three to four million pounds of onions are peeled, diced and sliced every week. Like Houweling's, the plant strives to be energy and environmentally responsible. The plant uses an advanced energy recovery system and utilizes onion waste/juice in fuel cells. A miniature version of the bioreactor will be available for viewing on Farm Day in November.

Farm-to-Table chef Tim Kiloyne served the group a delicious lunch on the grounds of the historic Faulkner House at the University of California Hansen Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Santa Paula even though it seems like Ventura. Tour guide Jose De Soto explained that farming is a dynamic undertaking. The center is always researching different crops and watering methods. They also grow native trees they hope to export to the park system. Current concerns about Bagrata bugs and mealy bugs are being addressed as well as soil improvement alternatives. The Center hosts classroom tours, adult gardening classes and after school gardening programs for children.

Before returning to the McGrath Farm, the tour swung by Chris Sayer's family farm in Saticoy. Sayer is the fifth generation to farm the Petty Ranch. Sayer agrees that farming requires change. He says he is always experimenting with cover crops like sugar beets, sunflowers and Daikon radishes to enrich the soil. Sayer, who is mainly a citrus grower, is currently parenting ten varieties of figs that seem more like a hobby than a crop. "Figs are drought friendly and what any farmer wants is a crop with minimal impact on the environment and benefits as broad as possible."

The tour concluded back at McGrath Family Farms for drinks, hors d'oeuvres and one last chance to ask a chicken to go-on-record.



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Sports



Ventura County Fusion defeats FC Hasenthal to remain Ventura County Cup Champs.

Jason Romero strikes twice and local product Ben Silva once to seal the deal for Fusion

by Polo Ascencio

Last year the inaugural Ventura County Cup presented by the Ventura County Star, had a lot of drama from minute the first kick until the end in overtime with Fusion coming from behind and taking the inaugural VC Cup.

This year the only real drama happened when the lights went out as VC Fusion players and coaches celebrated a 3-0 victory.

The first 15 minutes went by with no real opportunities, from minute 16 until minute 25 Los Conejos had a few clear chances. But as he has done all year, Tyler Blackmer or as he is known now "Pink Floyd" a clear reference of him being "The Wall", kept the score at zero with a couple of very good stops.

From minute 25 on it was all "Orange and Blue", Fusion kept coming hard at Hasenthals back field and on the 33rd minute of play, Jason Romero took a ball

going around one, two and three defenders on top of the box and going against his own run took a shot to the right of the Conejo keeper finding the net.

Just two minutes later Romero again and at about the same spot he took the find the net and the 1-0, took another one but this time in the form of a free kick. Romero took it as if nobody was watching and all the Conejos goalie could do was stretch and have the ball go to the back of the net as he just touched it, making it 2-0.

Second half more of Fusion attacking as if they were the ones down by a deuce, but it wasn't until the 87 minute that Ben Silva took a shot from well outside the box and this time Hasenthals keeper didn't even move, ball kissed the net Fusion goes up 3-0 and thats how the 2nd annual Ventura County Cup was won by the "Pride of the 805".

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In our last issue we had a photo that got cut off so here it is again. Soroptimist International of Ventura installs officers and directors for 2016-2017 Club Year.

Sherri Tarpchinoff Bennett, President Elect; Trevor Summerlin, 1 year Director; Kellye Edwards Patterson, Recording Secretary; Shirley Lorraine, Vice President (And Breeze contributing writer); Ann Hewitt, President; Kay Armstrong, Corresponding Secretary; Pamela Pecarich, Treasurer; Cindy Daly, 1 year Director. Not shown Cyndi Damron, 2 Year Director and Sandra Masiel, 2 Year Director.

Safe Email Practices -part two

by Ken May-Swift Chip

3. Handle Attachments Safely.

Don't open attachments unless you are absolutely sure about what they are and who they came from. Even attachments that were sent directly to you by a known sender might contain malicious code.

Be especially careful with MS Word & Excel files.

When opening Microsoft Word or Excel attachments containing macros, always select the "Disable Macros" option if you are not sure if there should be a macro.

Beware of Dangerous File Types!

Some file types have been deemed unsafe by Microsoft. Most of these file types are executable or exploitable and are considered unsafe to send and receive as email attachments. SSU's email servers scan all incoming email messages for attachments using these unsafe file types. If you also use an off-campus email address, you should be aware of these unsafe file types. Never open zip files, exe files or one of these unsafe file types sent in email. While many of these file types can only harm computers running Windows, some file types are potentially hazardous on Macintosh computers.

Windows Users - Make Extensions Visible

Some malicious attachments will "pose" as a harmless file type like digital image by including that file type

extension in its name. You might get an attachment called "hawaii.jpg" and think it's a picture from your friend's vacation. But it might actually be a .pif file, one of the exploitable file types. This can happen because Windows does not display file extensions by default, so a .pif file named "hawaii.jpg.pif" will appear as "hawaii.jpg"

4. Don't Unsubscribe.

Spammers often include an "unsubscribe from this list" link in their messages. This makes them appear more responsible and reputable, but they often use this as a way to confirm your email address so they can send you more spam or sell your email address to other spammers. If you don't want it, mark it as junk and delete it.

5. Be a Good Internet Citizen.

Don't use your email in ways that will contribute to the problem.

Don't send unsolicited email and attachments.

Don't forward chain letters.

Don't respond to or participate in email hoaxes.

Don't send attachments which use the "unsafe" file types.

Don't post your email address (or other people's addresses) on publicly accessible web pages.

Use a "disposable" email account (a free account from Yahoo or Hotmail) for online shopping and posting to online discussion boards.

Another summer of digital storytelling

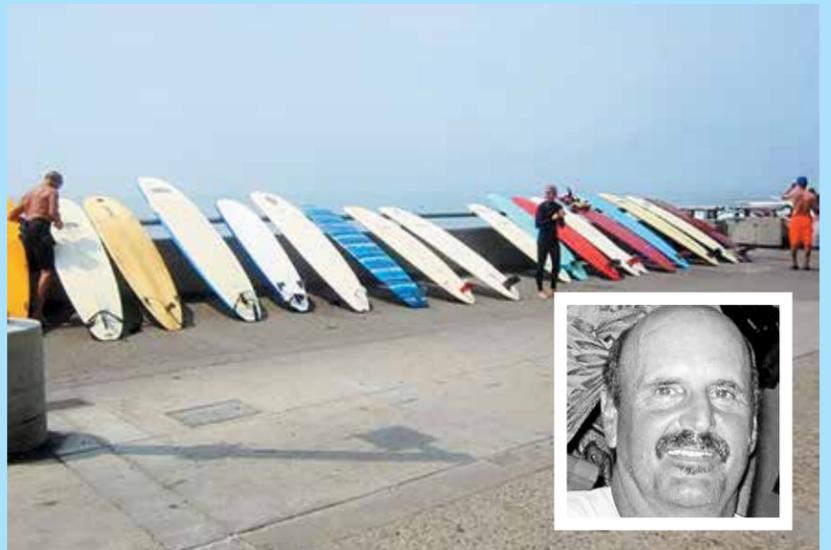
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their handiwork. At the end of the day, they were sad to leave. If they can do it, so can you. We send a big thanks to the talented instructors and interns for sharing their skills.

The Ventura County Fair Parade is around the corner and we will be there, capturing it all live from the CAPS Media production truck at the corner of Main and California. We love to watch the bands, horses, cars and locals decked out along Main Street. Locals Tim O'Neil and Jerry Breiner will emcee the show. Not only will coverage of the parade be live on channel 6, we will be live streaming it on the website as well. But wait, there's more as we will rebroadcast the following week. You can relive

the magic of the parade.

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Mike Smith, great surfer and friend to many, passed away peacefully on April 11, 2016.

A Mike Smith Memorial was recently held at Promenade Park. Mike was an avid surfer and sometimes referred to as the Mayor of C Street. He died of Alzheimer's at age 68, after fighting the disease for 5 years. Approximately 100 surfers were out in the ocean for the memorial.

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Senior Living

Pull Out Section



Writing your list helps you remember what you enjoy in life.

What is on your Bucket List?

by Phil Chandler

Owner of Right at Home of Ventura County, Home Care Agency

As part of an occasional series, the Breeze interviews local senior residents about their bucket lists – or “what we wish to accomplish before we are shuffled off this mortal coil”.

Do you remember when you were five and you were dreaming about what your life would be like when you were grown? You may not have realized it, but you were forming your first bucket list – what you dream to do before you can’t. Writing your list helps you remember what you enjoy in life, and can cheer you up. The act of writing it is energizing, and just talking about what is on your list can motivate you to get it done. There are no right or wrong activities; the list reflects your dreams. It will remind you of what you enjoy in life, suited to your physical ability and risk tolerance.

Oxnard resident Tina H. grew up in England during World War II. She survived the London blitz, a terrifying period in England’s history. Her father instilled within her a strong sense of adventure through travel. She emigrated when she was 23, and launched an adventurous life here in the States. She earned her way selling magazines door to door, travelling throughout the Midwest and the East Coast. It was a great way for a young woman to learn about America and its diverse culture and geography. Along the way she worked in a factory manufacturing ball point pens, a new technology at the time. After settling in California, she worked several jobs including driving cars from Europe off

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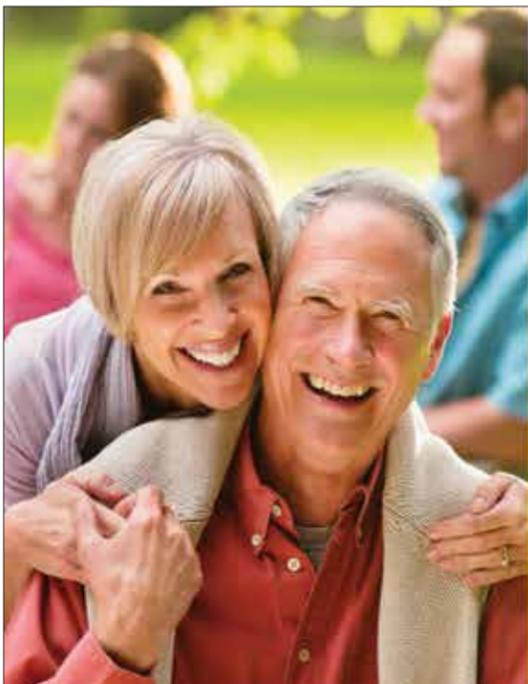
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"Doc could you repeat that, I want to make sure I understand?"

How can I remember what my doctor says during a visit?

No matter what your age, it is easy to forget a lot of what your doctor says. Also, sometimes what your doctor says may be hard to understand. As your doctor gives you information about your health, it's a good idea to make sure that you understand it and that you will be able to remember it. Here are some tips to help you understand and remember what you and your doctor discuss.

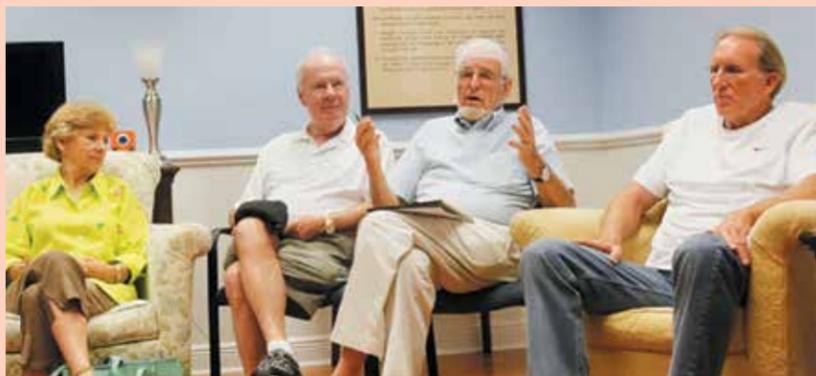
Ask for clarification. Always ask your doctor about anything he or she says that seems unclear. You might say, "I want to make sure I understand. Could you explain a little more?" or "I didn't understand that word. What does it mean?" You may also find it helpful to repeat back to your doctor what he or she says using your own words and ask, "Is this correct?"

Take notes. Taking notes during your doctor visit can help you remember what you and your doctor talk about. Take along a notepad and pen or pencil, and write down your doctor's main points or ask your doctor to write them down for you. If you cannot write while the doctor is talking to you, make notes in the waiting room after your visit. Or, bring an audio recorder along, and (with the doctor's permission) record what is said. Recording is especially helpful if you want to share the details of the visit with others.

Request written or recorded materials. Ask if your doctor has any brochures, DVDs, CDs, cassettes, or videotapes about your health conditions or treatments. For example, if your doctor says that your blood pressure is high, he or she may give you brochures explaining what causes high blood pressure and what you can do about it. Ask the doctor to recommend other sources, such as websites, public libraries, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies that may have written or recorded information you can use.

Speak with other members of the health care team. Sometimes the doctor may want you to talk with other health professionals who can help you understand and carry out the decisions about how to manage your condition. Nurses, physician assistants, pharmacists, and occupational or physical therapists may be able to take more time with you than the doctor.

Call or email the doctor. If you are uncertain about the doctor's instructions after you get home, call the office. A nurse or other staff member can check with the doctor and call you back. You could ask whether the doctor, or other health professional you have talked to, has an email address you can use to send questions.



Venturans who are at least 50 years old are invited to participate in the Ventura Council for Seniors (VCS) which presents issues of concern to older residents to the Ventura City Council. Meetings – third Wednesdays 9:30-11am except December – alternate between the Ventura Avenue Adult Center. (VAAC) 550 N. Ventura Ave. and Silvercrest Senior Residents (SSR) 750 S. Petit Ave.

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Join the Ventura Council for Seniors next meeting August 17.

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SCAN offers great classes for seniors

Do you suffer from stress, anxiety or high blood pressure? The SCAN Health & Wellness Center is offering

Healing Vibrations classes, where participants are "bathed" in sound by a large Tibetan Singing Bowl. These special bowls have been shown to improve immune function, lower heart rate and blood pressure and reduce stress. The classes will be held for four consecutive Thursdays in August, starting August 4th. The cost is \$12 for four sessions. For more information or to sign up for vibrational healing, call 658-0365. Space is limited.

Learn how to surf the web on Your iPad at the SCAN Health & Wellness Center

Are you having trouble figuring out how to use your iPad? The SCAN Health & Wellness Center is offering free monthly "iPad Basics for Seniors" August 23 at 9 a.m. During this two-hour, entry-level class, participants will learn basic tablet terminology, initial set-up procedures, the features and gestures of their iPad, and more. Subsequent classes

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will be held 9/27, 10/25 and 11/22. The iPad Basics class is open to seniors 55 and older and their caregivers. Please bring your iPad. To register for this class, please call 658-0365.

Looking for a fun way to get your groove on with a new dance party workout? SCAN is hosting twice weekly Zumba gold classes right now! Seniors aged 55 and older are invited to register for a dance party workout until September 21, every Monday and Wednesday from 4 - 5 p.m. To learn more details about this program, including cost and to register for Zumba gold classes, please call 658-0365 as there are only a few spots left.



Rosemary as Aunt Martha in "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Learn about acting at adult center this fall

by Jill Forman

Rosemary Molloy is amused at her encounters with death. "I've been murdered three times: shot, stabbed, and suffocated." Her drama "career" started when she was over 70, and she wants to spread the joy she gets from acting to other adults.

She considers being on stage "the thrill of a lifetime" and quotes George Eliot, "It's never too late to be who you might have been."

She will be teaching Acting for Amateurs at the Adult Center on Ventura Avenue this fall. Geared to those with little or no stage experience, the class is for anyone interested in the art of acting in plays.

More generally, the class is for those who would like to "expand their experiences, lose their inhibitions, and see how plays work." What is the playwright trying to say? How do the actors convey that? Theater lovers can enrich their experience by understanding what is going on, onstage; this makes the play more enjoyable and interesting.

Rosemary came to Ventura from Little Egg Harbor in New Jersey (gotta love those East Coast names.) She worked as Manager of Employment for a university, then retired to Little Egg with her husband. A neighbor was good friends with Desmond Starr, founder of the Little Egg Theater Company, who organized an informal acting workshop.

She did a reading from an Irish play "Riders to the Sea," and Starr was so impressed he asked her to perform in that play. He rented a special room at the library, it was packed, Rosemary was a hit...and so it goes. Subsequently has played many parts at theaters and other venues in New Jersey. Her favorite role was Aunt Julia in Hedda Gabler; "...an intense role, insightful, dark."

Sadly, her husband never saw her act; he was too ill to attend.

Dinner theater is another form she enjoys, especially the Improvariety. "Really fun," the actors have to stay in character both for the play and while eating dinner with guests. She played "Ivana Trumple, a psychic, or rather an imposter of same."

She has also written drama, mostly short plays; several have been staged in Atlantic City. She often uses them in her class. After all, that way she can really tell the students what the playwright was thinking...

Rosemary enjoys Ventura, where one of her daughters lives. It's an adjustment with the "more casual" lifestyle. She likes the fact that it's spread out and easy to get around. And she makes friends easily by joining different groups and going to lectures, etc.; her obvious enjoyment of meeting new people and talking to them explains why. Maybe she could teach another class for those who have trouble fitting into a new city.

Speaking of class, the Acting for Amateurs will meet weekly for 4 or 6 weeks. Interested folks can sign up through the Adult Center.

And don't be telling Rosemary you're too old to learn to act!

Ventura Adult Center 550 N Ventura Ave. 648-3035.

Do you know a senior that started a second career in their "later" years? If so let us know editor@venturabreeze.com.

Consider the Conversation

by Lori Harasta

What if you had a little time to plan your death? You could make amends, have meaningful conversations with loved ones, impart wisdom, and get a last hug.

That is a big part of what hospice is all about.

The Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAAA) hosted an award-winning documentary film called, "Consider the Conversation" earlier this month. Dr. Lanyard Dial, President/CEO and Medical Director of Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Association (LMVNA) introduced the film and led a follow-up discussion for the 33 attendees.

The movie encourages the viewers to think ahead of time about what they want at the end of life, and to discuss it with their loved ones. Acknowledging it is a difficult subject to bring up for family members, experts emphasize the importance of having the conversation.

There are wide-ranging misconceptions about hospice. Many think it is about giving up living. Actually, it is allowing the patient to hopefully live life with quality and meaning as opposed to being consumed with medical appointments and treatments that more often than not deplete energy and time to spend with loved ones.

When a person suffers with a terminal illness, the entire family is impacted. It can be a bigger event for loved ones than for the patient. That's why the hospice team provides care and support, not just for the patient, but the entire family.

Dying from a terminal illness can be a long process. Some families, unwilling to admit their loved one has a limited time to live will put off receiving hospice care. They do themselves and others

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"I hope that I am maximizing my income."

A few HICAP presentations

Tuesday, August 9- 10:30 am to 11:30 am – Topic: Are you maximizing your income through Medicare Savings Program, Extra Help, LiHeap and other programs? Pleasant Valley Senior Center, 1605 Burnley St., Camarillo

Thursday, August 11- 10:00 am to 11:00 am – Topic: Let us Learn Colors! There are grey, tan, purple, blue, green orange and additional colors! How those colored letters will save you money! Palm Vista Adult Center, 801 South C Street, Oxnard

Tuesday, August 16 - 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – Topic: Are you maximizing your income through Medicare Savings Program, Extra Help, LiHeap and other programs? Fillmore Senior Center, 330 Central Avenue, Fillmore

Thursday, August 18 – 11:30 am to 12:30 pm – Topics: Are YOU maximizing your income through Medicare Savings Program, Extra Help, LiHeap and other programs? at Fillmore Active Adult Community Center, 533 Santa Clara Ave, Fillmore

Tuesday, August 23 – 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm – Topic: Are you maximizing your income through Medicare Savings Program, Extra Help, LiHeap and other programs? Ventura Avenue Adult Center, 550 North Ventura Ave

For more information please call 477.7310 or 800.434.0222.

Ventura Parkinson's Disease Support Group

Phil Chandler, Certified Senior Advisor and owner of the Right at Home agency in Ventura County, will present an overview to the Ventura Parkinson's Disease Support Group of the many housing and care options for seniors in Ventura County. The presentation will be held at Lexington Assisted Living, located at 5440 Ralston Street, on August 10 from 1:00 to 3:00. Reservations are not necessary.

Phil will discuss the range of options for housing in the county including living at home with assistance, Board and Care's, Assisted Living, or Skilled Nursing, and many of the factors that should be considered when choosing a residence. The presentation will last about 40 minutes, with some time for Q&A. For more information, call Patty at 766-6070.

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What's on your bucket list?

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of the ships ready for sale in the US. Tina is a resilient woman, having survived two bouts of cancer and the accompanying chemotherapy and radiation treatments. On top of that, she has been married twice. At 83 years young, Tina has an extensive bucket list!

Number one on the list is a trip to New Zealand. Discovering this beautiful country will be a spontaneous adventure, as she doesn't know what she will find when arriving. She plans to go during their summer so she will have good weather, perhaps in the fall. When asked how long she will spend there, she replied "could be two weeks or two months, depending on

what I find!"

She enjoys fishing and has crossed "catching halibut" off her list. Next is a trip to Alaska to catch salmon. Salmon are notoriously difficult to catch, and require skill and patience.

A trip to Maui is next on her list. The helicopter ride through mist covered mountains with cascading waterfalls and

tropical bluffs appeal to her love of nature. The beautiful beach doesn't hurt either.

Tina has a bright sense of humor and a zest for life. She doesn't allow her illnesses to define her, and has written a bold and exciting bucket list.

If you have an interesting bucket list story to share, call Phil Chandler at 389-5320.

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On July 16 and 17, the Ventura Breeze and Ventura Rocks shared a booth at the Surf Rodeo held at Pierpont Beach. Ventura Rock's Pam Baumgardner, author James Gray and Breeze staff member (and caricaturist) Jaime Baker were at the event.

The Surf Rodeo helped the following organizations:

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Ventura, A Walk On Water, Ojai Valley Lions Club, Girls Empowerment, The Young and Brave, Kids Arts, Save The Mermaids, Soul Profit and SPARC.

Business

Premier America donates, opens branch

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occasion on Thursday, August 4 with a \$1,000 donation to the Ventura Family YMCA to further their efforts with youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The YMCA strives to nurture the potential of every youth and teen, improve the nation's health and well-being, and provide opportunities to give back and support neighbors.

Together, local dignitaries, members of the Ventura Chamber of Commerce and Premier America team members will participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially inaugurate the new Ventura branch.

John M. Merlo, President and CEO of Premier America, commented, "Ventura is a vibrant city and this location will be extremely convenient for the member-owners of Premier America. Staffed with knowledgeable professionals, people can feel confident walking in to the branch, knowing our team is here to help them achieve their financial goals. We look forward to providing an exceptional member experience."

Mr. Merlo added, "Premier America recognizes the importance of investing in the community. It seemed fitting to continue our tradition of giving back to the community by making a donation to the Ventura Family YMCA."

The Ventura branch is managed by longtime area resident, Terri Hernandez. "Drop by and bring your friends and family with you to discover the advantages member-owners of Premier America Credit Union receive every day. It means a lot to me and my staff that the members of Premier America trust us to help them with their savings, home purchases, planning for retirement, and more." says Hernandez. "I'm thrilled to be serving the Ventura community."

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Adela is analytical, organized, efficient and fun to work with.

Adela Trainor: A commitment to the community

by Rebecca Wicks

Adela Trainor is what some may call a "master" volunteer. Focusing primarily on educational and fine arts endeavors in the community, she has and continues to leave an indelible mark on Ventura. Her volunteering began with her children.

"It's where my kids were, so it made sense," said Trainor. She began her volunteering career as many parents

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might, participating in the school PTO and helping in the classroom. Soon she was the school's PTO president and on the executive board of the Ventura Education Partnership (VEP).

"I tend to do things 200 percent," admitted Trainor. "We started with simple programs like making a rainbow on your plate and it expanded from there, we had a focus of helping students make better choices."

Trainor was a player in the founding of the Healthy Schools Project, now called Farm to School which still brings local produce to school salad bars in the Ventura. The program which has been hailed as a benchmark project in California as well as nationwide, incorporated regular classroom "taste testing" and visits by local farmers, chefs and other health professionals, exposing students to nutrition information and healthy lifestyles.

Pat McCart Malloy who is accredited as a key founder of the Healthy Schools Project by a number of sources including a publication on farm to school programs in California published by Occidental College, has worked with Trainor on a number of education initiatives and known her for 15 years.

"She is analytical, organized and efficient, [and] fun to work with," said Malloy who currently serves with her on the school district's Parent Advisory Committee (PAC). "I trust [Adela] will succeed in anything she starts."

In addition to leading a number of other programs, events and projects Trainor is also heavily involved in the Rubicon Theatre. There she sits on the executive board, performs educational outreach and serves as a "Grand Dame," for the playhouse assisting with any number of tasks from ushering guests and bringing food for actors during rehearsals, to helping with fundraisers and organizing events.

All of Trainor's volunteering centers around a single idea of community engagement.

"I have found if you focus on building programs and events that engage the community, the money, and success will follow," said Trainor who has always worked to encourage volunteering in schools, and believes a volunteer's presence alone is often enough – even if that volunteer only has 20 minutes to spare during lunch. "We are all responsible for our children, sometimes all you need is a pair of eyeballs and a smile, and that can change a kid's bad day, or make them think twice about their choices."

In an effort to help parents and other volunteers understand how they can help in schools as well as understand what is expected, Trainor spearheaded and authored the Family School Community Partnership, a district volunteer training program. The program included live trainings as well as training videos.

After 20 years of being a fulltime volunteer, Trainor is transitioning to a new career. She became a real estate agent last year and is excited about her new job's prospects.

"It is just like my volunteering career, I connect people and make something happen," said Trainor. "You work within challenges and help people get what they want."

Trainor is still involved with a number of her volunteer pursuits including the school district's VEP and PAC, the Rubicon and the Chamber of Commerce. And, she sees herself continuing these commitments for the foreseeable future.

"She is pretty amazing," said Malloy. "Lots of parents come and go but Adela stayed and VUSD [is] better for it."

Interview with Erik Nasarenko

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been to create a sustainable, long term funding source and I am convinced that that a modest half a penny increase will garner about 11 million dollars in our budget annually."

Breeze: The council for years has denied allowing medical marijuana clinics to operate within city limits, and it appears there will be a statewide ballot initiative this year to legalize recreational marijuana. Where do you stand on that?

"As you know we do have a statewide initiative that would lead to legalize marijuana, I have been opposed to it. I believe cities should retain land use controls over controversial store fronts and dispensaries, and while it may garner more revenue for the city of Ventura the attendant problems with crime and with what is predominant in cash businesses, and the patchwork of regulations is still problematic. As part of new revenue for the city of Ventura I believe those who have illnesses should be able to utilize the compassionate care act to either grow their own, to utilize a caretaker to bring it to them or to go to nearby dispensaries in the San Fernando Valley."

Breeze: Now that you are mayor, the immediate past mayor Cheryl Heitmann was known for attending virtually every, public event, store opening, beach cleanup and other public events how do you stand on that?

"My hours are more limited. I attend events during my lunch hour, weekends, or after 5:00 pm weekdays. I have to maintain my commitment to the state and the county to serve as a deputy district attorney, while at the same time attending events, all the meetings and just reaching out to take the pulse of the community."

Breeze: Since you have been mayor what are the challenges facing you?

"The demands on my time can be very difficult. There are far more events that I am invited to attend than I can actually make. There are far more meetings people would like to have with me that by virtue of my time constraints I have to delegate to someone else. So that is an ongoing juggling act. I am very pleased with the progress made in addressing homelessness, just this last Monday to have a seven-zero unanimous vote to move forward with a potential shelter that would have wrap-around services in an industrial area of our city is a significant accomplishment. I have also learned as mayor there is a time to lead, then there is a time to let your colleagues exercise leadership, and I saw from the dais recently how articulate and common sense oriented the council was on this matter."

Ed Summers announces candidacy

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"To excel, students need to feel connected to the entire community," stated Ed Summers, candidate for the Ventura School Board. "Connecting students to local business for instance, will help them think about and take charge of their future. Career ready means life ready," he continued.

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hours working directly with organizations that support school-to career education while also working with students to help them gain valuable real-world job experience. He has a well-documented track record in building viable partnerships to support Ventura students and schools and is laser focused on career skills education, job creation and economic prosperity for our youth.

"Our local schools need to be the core of our community. We are all stakeholders in the education of our youth whether we have children in the District or not," stated Ed Summers, candidate for the Ventura School Board. "Our future depends on it."

To learn more about Ed Summers for Ventura School Board please visit, www.Summers4Schools.com.

CHDC helping Kellogg Park

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partment of Housing and Community Development program designed to reward local governments with grant funds to create or rehabilitate parks in cities that approve housing for lower-income households and are in compliance with State housing element laws.

The park design calls for two playground areas, one for 2 to 5 year olds and another for 6 to 12 year olds. Other amenities will include outdoor fitness

equipment, bike racks, a 0.25-mile walking path with mile markers, an amphitheater, a drought tolerant grassy play area/open space and 1.75 acres of native plantings.

These funds bring the total raised so far for Kellogg Park to \$2.2 million. To complete the park \$4.3 million is needed and a fundraising campaign is currently underway with donations accepted at www.cityofventura.net/KelloggPark or contact Katrina Maksimuk at 658-4775, kmaksimuk@cityofventura.net. Construction is expected to begin in early fall of 2016 with an anticipated completion date of December 2017.

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Professor Scamp Ph.D

The Canine Adoption and Rescue League (CARL) 19th annual Pooch Parade at San Buenaventura Beach State Park was another great event and day.

League President Mary Saputo, of Ventura, said they hoped the event would raise at least \$25,000 for the nonprofit that has helped more than 6,500 dogs since its inception in 1996.

On Sunday, about 150 dogs participated in the parade and some par-



This pooch was the best kisser at the Pooch Parade. Only because I wasn't there.

icipated in four contests, best kisser, best costume, best tail wag and the most obedient.

I wasn't there because I was at the Surf Rodeo looking for some cute lady French poodles in bikinis.

And speaking of CARL they are the proud temporary home of 26 dogs under the care of the Linda Blair Worldheart Foundation (LBWF). The dogs were evacuated from a Santa Clarita Valley facility in the face of the encroaching Sand Fire.

The dogs, primarily American Staffordshire Terriers, are safe at CARL's

Santa Paula boarding facility. The evacuation effort was the result of cooperation between CART, LBWF, and Shelter Transport Animal Rescue Team, a non-profit that transports dogs from high-kill shelters to out-of-state homes.

CARL is well-equipped to aid neighboring rescues in times of need with the use of its 112-pen boarding facility. "Rescues need to stick



CARL is the proud temporary home of 26 dogs evacuated from the Sand Fire.

together," commented CARL Executive Director Sharon Clark. "We're all in this together to save lives, and we'll never forget when we had our own time of crisis in December 2014 when an industrial accident at a nearby waste water treatment plant spread toxic chemicals across the area."

There are so many wonderful people helping us 4-legged ones I would cry if I could.

Honor our 4-legged friends (the dog type) and promote dog-friendliness on Saturday, August 6th, 8:00 am-12:00 pm at the VBG trail head.

There will be the funniest, smartest, silliest and down-right cutest dogs to adopt from the Ventura Humane Society. There will also be dog treats! For the little human ones, there will be face painting by Monica Diaz-Valenzuela along with face and body painting from Paint Me Please.

Bryce Kulzer, VBG event coordinator, will be hosting this free event. All donations will go to the "Dog Fountain Campaign".

Bring your family, friends and, of

course, your dogs (on leashes please)! If you have any questions, please contact Bryce Kulzer at bryce.j.kulzer@gmail.com or 754-9596.

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The caricatures by my friend Jamie Baker are getting elementary.



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A very loved dog who used to go to the gym every day with her Dad, Larry. She will be greatly missed by all.

LostCatVentura.com and LostDogVentura.com are free resources for finding lost pets in Ventura County, and where you can post a notice to find your lost pet.

Forever homes wanted



Hi: I'm Gracie a sweet 1 1/2-year-old Shepherd X who is need of a permanent or foster home. I, my sister Lola and our 13 puppies are forever grateful to C.A.R.L. for taking us all in when our owners became overwhelmed after we became pregnant all about the same time. A third adult female and her six puppies will be taken in as well once those puppies are older.

I'm affectionate, active and good with other dogs. I know my future looks bright and I can't wait to make lasting memories as a cherished member of a loving family. Could that family be yours? Stop by and meet me, my sister and our puppies too! Please call CARL adoption center at 644-7387.

I'm Draco and, as you can see, I am an attractive, medium sized brown and white Pitt Bull mix who arrived at VCAS on 3/30/16. I am a playful kind of guy who will happily chase a ball as often as you will throw it. I was born on April 5, 2014, which makes me an Aries, and we all know Aries like to go for the gusto in our relationships! We don't like to be ignored so my perfect match will hopefully give me lots of attention. If you are Leo or Sagittarius, my horoscope says we will have a love connection! Give me a shout out and let's see where it goes from there. Ventura County Animal Services - Simi location - 670 W. Los Angeles Ave.



Scamp Club

(Scampclub pets are not for adoption.)



Hi: I'm Teddy Bear (really) a 26-year-old parrot. I like to go for walks, ride on a bike handlebars. My favorite foods are red licorice and spaghetti. If I get bored I like to throw my water dish across the room. My mom is Debby Mango.

Join Scamp Club

Animals of all sorts can join the ScampClub. Email me your picture and a little about yourself to Scampclub@venturabreeze.com. You will be in the Breeze and become world famous.



These are the original "Paws" dogs at the Wright Library. Some of them are still working.

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Police Reports

by Cindy Summers

Police reports are provided to us by the Ventura Police Department and are not the opinions of the Ventura Breeze. All suspects mentioned are assumed to be innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Resisting Arrest

On July 18, at approximately 9:45am, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call of a vagrant setting up a camp in the parking lot of a business in the 5500 block of Telegraph Rd. The officer arrived and contacted the subject, later identified a 38 year old vagrant Ryan Evanson. While the officer was speaking to Evanson, he suddenly removed a butter knife and held it up to his own throat. Evanson did not threaten the officer, although he started asking the officer to shoot him. Evanson then dropped the knife and began running, ultimately onto the campus of Buena High School. The officer caught him in the parking lot of the school and took him into custody without further incident.

As a precaution, the police department requested that Buena High School be placed on a lockdown, while officers were able to catch Evanson and take him into custody.

Attempted Car Jacking By a Really Dumb Guy

On July 19, at approximately 8:15pm, the Ventura Police Command Center received a 911 call of an attempted carjacking. Officers arrived on scene and learned that the victim (an off duty Ventura police officer) was sitting in his personal vehicle in the parking lot of the 99 cent store when he noticed the suspect, 53 year old Kenneth Cornwell, casing vehicles in the parking lot. Cornwell approached the officer's vehicle and saw the officer sitting in the driver's seat. Cornwell then attempted to open the locked driver's door. Cornwell then ran to the passenger's door and opened the door.

Fearing for his safety, and the safety of his infant child in the vehicle with him, the officer retrieved his firearm and identified himself as a police officer to Cornwell. The officer detained Cornwell until patrol officers arrived.

Stolen Vehicle Recovery and Arrest

On July 19, at 10:30pm, Ventura Police officers were dispatched to the parking lot of Vons for a call of a subject acting suspiciously inside of a vehicle. The vehicle's alarm was sounding and the person inside the vehicle was reportedly looking around nervously. Officers arrived as the vehicle was pulling out of a parking stall. The driver, 21 year old Santa Barbara resident Jose Barradas Benites, was detained and it was discovered that the vehicle had been stolen from Santa Barbara earlier in the day.

Benites was arrested and later booked into Ventura County Jail for being in possession of a stolen vehicle. The stolen vehicle was returned to the owner.

Stolen Vehicle Arrest

On July 20 at 11:50pm, a Ventura Police patrol officer observed 41 year old Ventura vagrant Kurtis Lund enter a Dodge Durango in the Loops Motor Lodge parking lot, located at 3135 E. Main Street. The officer conducted a registration check on the Durango and learned it had recently been stolen from a rental car agency in Ventura.

As the officer was waiting for additional police units to arrive, Lund exited the parking lot and drove west on Main Street. The officer followed Lund to the 3200 block of Channel Drive where a high-risk enforcement stop was conducted. Lund was ordered out the vehicle and was taken into custody without incident. Lund was placed under arrest and later booked in to the Ventura County Jail for being in possession of a stolen vehicle and drug paraphernalia.

Second Degree Murder Occurs During

Police Chase

On July 22, at 2:15pm, two Ventura Police detectives were driving westbound on the 126 Freeway in an unmarked police unit when a reckless vehicle driven by the suspect, 24 year old Santa Paula resident Victor Martinez, collided with them. After the collision, the suspect fled from the scene and continued driving recklessly westbound on the freeway at a high rate of speed. Because of the high rate of speed, the detectives were unable to catch up with him, however a Ventura Police patrol officer who was in the area of Wells Road saw the vehicle as it continued westbound on the freeway. The officer drove onto the freeway and caught up to the suspect near Kimball Road. The suspect exited the freeway at the Kimball Road off ramp, and the officer activated his overhead lights in an attempt to stop the vehicle.

The suspect did not yield but instead accelerated and ran a red light at the off ramp's intersection with Kimball Road. As he ran the red light, he collided with two vehicles which were traveling southbound through the intersection on a green light. The first vehicle he struck was a motorcycle. The second was an SUV.

The suspect did not stop but instead drove away southbound on Kimball Road. After a short distance, he left the vehicle in drive, got out of the moving vehicle and ran away. The patrol officer saw him and the runaway vehicle and decided to use his patrol car to stop the vehicle. Once the suspect's vehicle was stopped, the officer chased after the suspect. During the foot pursuit, the suspect dropped a loaded handgun in the roadway.

Felony Battery Arrest

On July 24, at 5pm, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call of several subjects physically fighting outside of the El Rey Cantina, 294 E. Main St. It was reported one subject was a security guard. When officers arrived on scene, a large crowd was gathered in front of the bar and several subjects were still fighting. Once all the involved parties were separated, officers found that the bar's security guard, later identified as Joseph Marasa, had sustained a serious facial injury.

During the investigation, officers learned the victim was attempted to keep an intoxicated subject from entering the bar. Several of the subject's friends, later identified as 29 year of Ventura resident Brandon Gutierrez and 26 year old Ventura resident Eriberto Alvarez, were already inside the bar, so the subject was refusing to leave. While the victim was detaining the subject out front, Gutierrez and Alvarez walked outside and started physically assaulting the victim. After the fight, Alvarez attempted to leave the scene, but was detained by arriving officers.

The victim sustained several facial fractures during the altercation. He was treated at the scene by Ventura City Fire personnel and later transported to CMH for treatment of his injuries.

Gutierrez and Alvarez were both arrested and later booked into the Ventura County Jail for felony battery, causing serious injuries.

Felony Hit & Run Traffic Collision & DUI Arrest

On July 27, at approximately 6:15pm, the Ventura Police Department received a 911 call reporting a traffic collision at the intersection of Dean Drive and College Drive. One of the drivers had reportedly left the scene after the collision. As officers responded, witnesses reported that the suspect vehicle was stopped on the street at the intersection of Dean

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Ventura City Fire personnel arrived on scene and located the driver of the suspect vehicle, identified as 38 year old Ventura resident Paul Wilson. Officers arrived and after further investigation learned that Wilson had been involved in the collision and failed to stop at the scene. He was also determined to be driving under the influence of alcohol. The victim of the hit and run collision was injured during the collision and was treated at the scene. Wilson was arrested for felony hit and run as well as driving under the influence of alcohol.

Commercial Burglary

On July 28, at approximately 2am, VPD officers responded to a report of a fight at the Four Points Sheraton hotel with security officers fighting with the suspect. Officers arrived and found security restraining Kevin Lynch (Lynch is a Post release offender (PRCS) Pursuant to AB109.

Hotel staff informed officers that Lynch climbed onto the balcony of a hotel room. Lynch attempted to break into the hotel room but was confronted by the resident in the room. Lynch then climbed onto a second balcony and forced his way into another room. The hotel guest had to physically remove Lynch from his room.

At the Four Points Sheraton, Lynch used several screwdrivers to pry/force his way into a room occupied by a female. The female was on the phone with the front desk as Lynch opened the door. Hotel security confronted Lynch as he kicked the door to the room breaking the

security latch. Hotel security physically restrained Lynch until officers arrived.

Harbor Patrol Blotter

Just a few of the things the Harbor Patrol tends to.

7-19 1:38pm, received a dispatch to a stroke patient at the marina mobile home park. Officers responded and assisted Ventura Fire/AMR with an 88 year old female who was eventually released at the scene after a complete assessment.

7-20 12:13pm, dispatched to a medical at the marina mobile home park. Officers responded and assisted Fire and AMR with an ill person who was eventually transported to local hospital for further evaluation.

5:05pm, received a report of a vessel accident in the turning basin of the Harbor. Officers responded and investigated the accident between 2 sailboats.

7-22 2:46pm, dispatched to an ill person at marina mobile home park. Officers responded and the incident turned out to be a false alarm.

7-23 10:15pm, dispatched to a medical at marina mobile home park. Officers responded and assisted Fire and AMR with an ill person.

12:33pm, dispatched to a medical at Harbor Cove beach for an allergic reaction. Officers responded and the patient was transported to local hospital.

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

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If the Fair is a Rockin'...

by Pam Baumgardner
VenturaRocks.com

Finally, it's Fair time!!! Yippee! Deep fried foods of all kinds, here I come and I don't feel too guilty as I'll be burning off those empty calories dancing to all the great music coming our way. The fair officially opens on Wednesday August 3 (the Fair Parade will be held on Saturday morning the 6th on Main Street downtown Ventura), and will run through Sunday, August 14. Their full entertainment schedule can be found at the fair's official website (VenturaCountyFair.org). I'm looking forward to Styx, Old Dominion, the return of Joan Jett, and of course one of my favorite bands, Third Eye Blind!

Music Under the Stars continues Saturday nights throughout the summer at the historic Olivas Adobe with Cuban Classica music from Orquesta Charango on August 6 and one of the best Beatles tribute bands around, Britain's Finest on August 13. Here's an interesting tidbit, Paul Black (of LA Guns fame) will be returning to Margarita Villa on Saturday, August 13. Black had actually reached out to the venue asking for a slot to play and they were happy to oblige.

I looked over Squashed Grapes' August calendar for jazz music and trust me, there's going to be plenty of cool jazz for your hot summer nights culminating with the return of Doug Webb featuring Danny Carey of TOOL on Saturday, August 27. Carey missed the last engagement due to touring conflicts. Other highlights to watch for include the return of Bobby West with Adam Clark on August 3, Anne Hall & the Remarkables on the 7th, the Fair Parade band August 6 (always a good time), Rachel Flowers on the 13th, Colin Bailey on the 25th and D.on Darox and the Melody Joy Bakers on the 26th. Full line up can be found at SquashedGrapes.com/events.

The final installment of Ventura Rocks on CAPS Media has been released. Don't miss The NaVaNaX airing now on CAPS but it's also available 24/7 on Ventura Rocks' YouTube channel. The guys did a spectacular job. Many thanks to the crew at CAPS for the opportunity and for their support of Ventura's music scene.

And finally, I caught up with lead singer/musician Eric Rachmany of Rebelution who assured me the band will return to Ventura, but on their current tour you'll have to catch them at the Santa Barbara Bowl on August 13. Eric told me, "Ventura is just as much home for us as Santa Barbara. Back in the day us and Iration had the opportunity to open for Yellowman at the Ventura Theatre. We have some great memories in Ventura. We will be back!" You can read the full interview on VenturaRocks.com, and you'll

most likely want to pick up their latest release, "Falling Into Place."

Do you have any music related news or upcoming shows you want help publicizing? Send all information short or long to Pam@VenturaRocks.com, and for updated music listings daily, go to www.VenturaRocks.com.

Music Calendar

For more events go to VenturaRocks.com

Amigos Cafe & Cantina

546 E. Main St.
805-874-2232

Mondays: Open mic
Wed 8/3: Live Band Karaoke
Thurs 8/4: Dylan Schmidt & the Rhythm Souls
Sat 8/6: The Seaside Band
Sun 8/7: 5 pm The Tossers; 9 pm Karaoke

Café Fiore & Treehouse

66 S. California Street
Wed 8/3: Bryan McCann & Friends
Thurs 8/4: Rick Whitfield
Fri 8/5: Soul Infusion

Sat 8/6: Alex Nestor
Sun 8/7: Babylon Rockers
Tues 8/9: Donna Butler
Wed 8/10: Big Adventure
Thurs 8/11: Whesli
Fri 8/12: Instone
Sat 8/13: Drunken Monkeys
Sun 8/14: Casey Jones
Tues 8/16: Donna Greene

The Cave

4435 McGrath Street
Weds & Saturdays: 5:30 - 8:30 pm Varon Thomas
Thurs & Fridays: 5:30 - 8:30 pm Warren Takahashi

Copa Cubana

Ventura Harbor Village
Tuesdays: RJ Mischo & the Down Home Trio

Thurs 8/4: Al Martin
Fri 8/5: Artis Band
Sat 8/6: Lorenzo Martinez
Sun 8/7: Karen Eden
Thurs 8/11: Carlo Fontane
Fri 8/12: Brandon Ragan
Sat 8/13: Al Martin
Sun 8/14: Hot Roux

Discovery

1888 Thompson Blvd
Thurs 8/4: Raging Fyah
Fri 8/5: Shaky Feelin'; DJ Xist
Sat 8/6: Metalachi
Thurs 8/11: Siaoisi & the Jimmy Weeks Project
Fri 8/12: Ska Daddyz, Stoneflies; DJ Spinobi

Golden China

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Karaoke seven nights a week 9 pm
Tuesdays 7 pm: Open Mic

Grapes and Hops

454 E. Main Street

Fri 8/5: Maggie McClure & Shane Henry

Sat 8/6: Bryan Titus Trio

Sun 8/7: Brandon Ragan

Fri 8/12: Sage Gentle-Wing

Sat 8/13: Tex Pistols

Sun 8/14: Shawn Jones

Hong Kong Inn

435 E. Thompson Blvd

Sundays: Jon & Tom

Mondays: Karaoke

Thursdays: Gypsy Blues Band swing night

Fri 8/5: Hi Hat Entertainment-Hunter & the Dirty Jacks

Keynote Lounge

10245 Telephone Road

Tuesday and Wednesday: Karaoke

Thursday: Open Mic

Sunday: Karaoke

Fri 8/5: Custom Made

Sat 8/6: Action Down

Fri 8/12: Red Rhythm

Sat 8/13: Cross Cut 805

Made West Brewing

1744 Donlon Street

Thurs 8/4: 6:30 pm Erisy Watt

Sun 8/7: 2:30 pm Fox Trax

Thurs 8/11: 5 pm Blak Jags, Noble

Griswal

Sun 8/14: 2:30 pm Uproots

Majestic Ventura Theater

26 S. Chestnut Street

Fri 8/5: Natalia LaFourcade

Margarita Villa

Ventura Harbor Village

Fri & Sat at 5; Sundays at 3

Fri 8/5: Unkle Monkey

Sat 8/6: Crosscut

Sun 8/7: Vertigo Blend

Tues 8/9: Bobby Campbell

Fri 8/12: JD Broz

Sat 8/13: Paul Mars Black

Sun 8/14: The Mighty Cash Cats

Tues 8/16: Dave Rae

Montalvo Square Shopping Center

1746 S. Victoria Avenue

Music 6-8 pm

Sat 8/6: Sgt. Pepper

Sat 8/13: Renown

O'Leary's

6555 Telephone Road

Tuesdays: Free Jukebox

Wednesdays: Karaoke

Fri 8/5: Lola Haag

Sat 8/6: Kenny Devoe

Fri 8/12: Live Band Karaoke

Sat 8/13: Daisy Dukes & Cowboy Boots

Jukebox

Olivas Adobe

4200 Olivas Park Drive

Music Under the Stars

Sat 8/6: Orquesta Charango

Sat 8/13: Britain's Finest

Paddy's

2 W. Main Street

Wednesdays: Karaoke

Fri & Sat: DJs

Poinsettia Pavillion

3451 Foothill Road

(805) 648-1143

Mon 8/8: Monday Night Dance Club

with Wyatt Haupt

Mon 8/15: Monday Night Dance Club

with Dick Parent Band

Prime

2209 E. Thompson Blvd

Tuesdays: Danny D

Fridays: Encore

Saturdays: Beach City Sound Club

Red Cove

1809 E. Main Street

Thursdays: Music Club Open Jam

Sandbox Coffeehouse

204 E. Thompson Blvd

805-641-1025

Thurs 6 pm, Weekends noon

Thursdays Open Mic

Sat 8/6: Patrick Maher

Sun 8/7: Steve Bedau

Sat 8/13: Juan D. Mendoza

Sun 8/14: West Coast Rhythm

Sans Souci

21 S. Chestnut

Sundays: DJ Darko

Mondays: Karaoke

Tuesdays: Twisted Tuesday w/ DJ

Wednesdays: Open mic

Thursdays: DJ Spinobi

Fri 8/5: Mossman

Sat 8/6: Danny Garone Band w/ Whiskey

Dick

Fri 8/12: The Jelly

Sat 8/13: Shady Ladies

Squashed Grapes

2351 E. Main St.

805-643-7300

Live jazz music 7-10 pm

Wed 8/3: Adam Clark Trio feat. Bobby West

Thurs 8/4: Hans Ottsen Trio

Fri 8/5: Chuck Johnson's Interplay

Sat 8/6: 2016 Fair Parade Band

Wed 8/10: Anne Hall & the Remarkables

Thurs 8/11: Bill Bannister's Blue Dog Group

Fri 8/12: Bevan Manson & Friends

Sat 8/13: Rachel Flowers Trio

Tues 8/16: Jazz Jam

Star Lounge

343 E. Main Street

Fri 8/5: CRV

Sat 8/6: Drunken Monkeys

Fri 8/12: Pull the Trigger

Sat 8/13: Rio Bravo

The Tavern

211 E. Santa Clara Street

Sunday open mics

Karaoke Tuesdays

Metal Music Wednesdays

DJs every Thursday college night

Fri 8/5: Rich Sheldon

Fri 8/12: Rich Sheldon

Sat 8/13: The Caverns

Ventura Fair

10 W. Harbor Blvd

Concerts included in price of admission

7:30 show time unless otherwise indicated

Thurs 8/4: Styx

Fri 8/5: Old Dominion

Sat 8/6: Third Eye Blind

Sun 8/7: 3 pm El Chapo de Sinaloa; Los

Rieleros del Norte; El Dasa

Mon 8/8: UB40

Tues 8/9: 1 pm America; 7:30 pm Patti

LaBelle

Wed 8/10: Chris Young

Thurs 8/11: Joan Jett and the Blackhearts

Fri 8/12: Trace Adkins

Ventura Harbor Carousel Stage

Wednesdays Noon - 1 pm: Steel Drum

Saturdays 1 - 4 pm: Steel Drum

Sun 8/7: The Salty Suites

Sun 8/14: Smokey & Friends

W20 at the Watermark

598 E. Main Street

Thurs 6 pm, Fri & Sat 9 pm, Sun 3 pm

Thurs 8/4: Karen Eden

Fri 8/5: Redfish

Sat 8/6: The Bomb

Sun 8/7: Shawn Jones

Thurs 8/11: Gold & Gray

Fri 8/12: CRV Band

Sat 8/13: Action Down

Sun 8/14: Zeal Levin

The Wine Rack

14 S. California Street

Music runs 7-11 pm, Sundays at 2:30 pm

Sundays: B&V Acoustics

Mondays: Open Mic

Tuesdays: Keith Cain

Wednesday: Danielle Stacy

Thurs 7/21: Jon Gindick

Fri 8/5: Déjà vu Too

Sat 8/6: The Ventura Jazz Collective

Fri 8/12: Hans Ottsen Trio

Sat 8/13: Jeff Uzzel

The 805 Bar

Ventura Harbor
Sat & Sun: Noon Kenny DeVoe



Linda Elder in her Studio by Donna Granata FOTM Portrait Series 2000.

Linda Elder (1942 - 2016)

Linda Elder of Ventura, esteemed sculptor and educator, has died.

Throughout her life, Linda exemplified strength and courage. Much of her work expressed an appreciation of woman's strength and triumphant qualities, traits Linda displayed in her own life. She conquered debilitating injuries sustained in an auto accident and again, was the victor in her fight with breast cancer. Her bright spirit will be missed.

Linda was first introduced to her favorite art form when an art teacher in high school allowed her to do sculpture in the back of the class while the rest of the class worked on drawing projects. But she didn't return to explore art again until after her three sons started grammar school, and she entered college a second time.

After extensive study and work in painting and drawing, she found two-dimensionality too limiting. The three-dimensional and multimedia options available to sculptors were far more challenging and in complete harmony with her own sensibilities.

A highly respected teacher, Linda taught privately and at the university level. She taught figurative sculpture and mold making with her husband, sculptor David Elder, at California State University Northridge for over 20 years and at the University of California Santa Barbara, where she taught for nine years. She shared her talent with the community, teaching for the Boys

and Girls Clubs and for Focus on the Masters, reaching children in our local schools as her way of giving back.

She began teaching privately at her Crystal Hawk Studio in Ventura in 1988 and continued to teach up to two months prior to her passing when her illness impaired her ability.

Those who travel Highway 101 near Seaward are familiar with Linda Elder's "Xochitl," a carving of a Chumash woman that stands near the home that she and her husband, David, hand built on ground that had been the site of a Chumash meeting ground.

Describing her work, Linda says: "With each piece of figurative sculpture I create, the piece must go beyond the mere physical appearance and be able to capture both the emotions and inner spirit of the work. Without this energy the sculpture will not reach out to the viewer, will not share its essence."

Linda died peacefully at home after a courageous battle with brain cancer. She is survived by her husband, sculptor David Elder and sons Sean Johnson, Kyle Lachman, Jacob Lachman and Eric Elder and their families.

To learn more about Linda Elder please visit the artist's website www.CrystalHawkStudio.com.

Linda Elder was extensively documented by Focus on the Masters in 1999. The FOTM Archive contains extensive information about this artist. For more information about FOTM please visit www.FocusOnTheMasters.com.



Mission San Buenaventura will present a special art exhibit from August 6 through November 5, a trilogy titled "El Camino Real" by late artist and architect Aurelio G. D. Mendoza.

Three large mural-like oil paintings depict the conversion of the indigenous people in Mexico; another depicting Fray Junipero Serra directing his companions forward on their travels; and the third painting depicting the construction of the first mission in Alta California, Misión San Diego de Alcalá. Fray Junipero Serra founded the first nine of the famed 21 California missions.

In honor of St. Junipero Serra, the first Hispanic saint to be canonized (September 23, 2015) on American soil, the exhibit will be on display to the public in the Mission San Buenaventura Gift Shop, 225 E. Main St. The Gift Shop is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is a nominal fee to tour the Mission Museum, Gardens and Church.

Art, a la Carte



An evening with **Karen Kitchel** Saturday August 6, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Brooks Institute Screening Room 5301 N. Ventura Ave.

Kitchel's landscapes are definitely not traditional. Of her work Karen states: "I paint them with the traditional craftsmanship of the genre's past, and a critical eye on the geography of the present." She narrows her focus to a small patch of dried grasses or what you may always have considered just plain weeds. In isolation we see their architecture, we sense the brittleness of leaves, the wonderfully chaotic arrangement of stems and leaves. She exhibits throughout the country and is widely collected. Reserve your seat today. Free to FOTM Members - \$10 General public, \$5 students and seniors.

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To learn about Karen Kitchel visit www.KarenKitchel.com



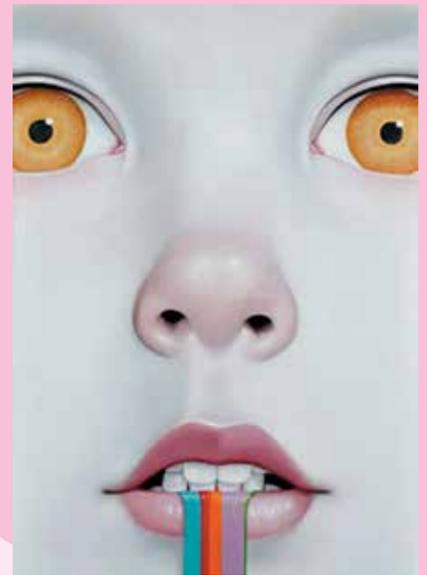
Buenaventura Art Association's Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts has a new home in Ventura Harbor Village and invites the public to a Grand Opening and Celebration of the Arts from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. on Saturday, August 20.

There will be artist demonstrations, Hawaiian dancers and the opportunity to meet the 14 artists featured in the gallery. Food and beverages will be provided to all who wish to participate in an event promoting the arts and have fun doing it.

The gala, daylong celebration will include a "treasure hunt" beginning at 10 a.m. at the Harbor Gallery & Gifts, with a raffle drawing at the gallery at 4 p.m. and prizes for the winning participants.

BAA, a 62 year old, non-profit artists' cooperative, receives a portion of the sales at the Harbor Gallery & Gifts for use in providing scholarships for local college students. BAA also offers free art classes to young people for their education and enjoyment.

For additional information about the organization and its programs, call the downtown gallery at 648-1235 or visit www.buenaventuragallery.org.



Dab Art is pleased to present Uncanny Valley, a solo exhibition of 30 paintings by **Alexander Churchill** at The HUD Gallery. These large-scale works burst with energy and precision, yet mystify with their complex permutations and combinations of figurative and surreal elements. These canvases string together compositional elements of image and texture paradoxically, with an uncanny level of exactitude into a wealth of smooth, vivid detail. Images are manipulated and interwoven into volatile phantasmagorias of color and form. In these spectacular pictorial inventions brightly colored blocks and perfectly rendered figures slice through multiple layers, which reject any attempt by the eye to find a resting place.

Alexander Churchill was born in San Diego and raised in Vermont. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Fine Art from Green Mountain College in 2008. Alexander now resides in Connecticut and his work has been widely exhibited throughout the Eastern United States. HUD 1793 E Main St. 293-1616



As part of the Museum of Ventura County traveling Smithsonian Institution exhibit is "Four Seasons Portraits" by local artist Hiroko Yuoshimoto. Artist Yoshimoto stated, "I appreciate and enjoy my Japanese ancestry, culture, and customs, but my day-to-day life is among the mixed Southern California Community and especially, in the arts community."

Show Time

Star Trek Beyond



by Eduardo Victoria
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After reinvigorating *Trek* with his rebooted timeline, JJ. Abrams crashed and burned with *Star Trek Into Darkness*, a muddled, misguided film that chose to reuse one of the franchise's biggest villains, in the process, coming up as a pale imitation. *Beyond*, now directed by Justin Lin and written by Doug Jung and Simon Pegg, breaks free from this blot, going back to the original series' roots for a reverent, but modern spin that's confident and fresh.

Deep into their five year mission, the Enterprise's crew has become tightly knit and is firing on all cylinders. Captain Kirk (Chris Pine), however, is figuratively lost in space. It's his birthday, which also means it's the anniversary of his father's death, and Kirk is struggling in his shadow. After stopping over at a nearby space station, the Enterprise responds to a distress signal and are quickly overcome by a malevolent alien force. After a valiant fight, the hostile force completely destroys the Enterprise, leaving the crew scattered and marooned on an undiscovered planet. With no ship and barely any resources, the crew races to find each other and uncover the motive of their tormentor, a creature named Krall (Idris Elba), who has a vendetta against the Federation and its founding ideals.

The beauty of the film comes from the simplicity of its plot, the way it expertly distills the franchise down to its core values and beliefs. Using the episodic nature of the

original series, Lin delivers a story free to stand on its own, separating the team on an undiscovered planet and challenging their very being. By contrasting an alien setting (again, resembling the colorful landscapes of the original series) with a propulsive story, the film has no problem evoking the series' timeless sense of awe, danger and discovery. Initially taking a more patient approach, the film doesn't skip on the action in the end.

The amount of imagination on display trickles down from the beautiful costume and creature designs, to the ingenuity of each action scene, which pulls out and punctuates different dynamics from the fractured crew. Above all, it's fun to see the amount of diversity that Lin gets from just a handful of bare elements and locales, throwing in motorcycle stunts with teleportation, some really smart use of the Enterprise's dead carcass, another sequence that uses music in a really fun way, and finally, a climactic showdown in which the laws of gravity have gone haywire.

Mostly working off each other, Zachary Quinto's Spock and Karl Urban's Bones are a blast together. Taking the series' classic love hate relationship, the two are funny whenever they're on screen, evoking a truly loving friendship that relishes the sharp contrast of their characters, each who each struggle from a differing lack of control. As the villainous Krall, Idris Elba is definitely relishing the role, buried under makeup, but still able to emote and paint a tragic story. His villain has a simple motivation, but is complex in different ways, and Elba does a great job of giving us a dark character who is still sympathetic. Possibly stealing the film is Sofia Boutella's Jaylah. Boutella, besides bringing a fierce physicality to the role, evokes an innocence that hides under a guarded persona.

If *Star Trek Beyond* has proven anything, it's that the franchise has still got a lot left to explore. Justin Lin proves himself a worth steward of the beloved crew and its spirit, injecting both imagination and heart while still working to give keep *Trek* relevant. Perfectly timed to *Trek's* 50th Anniversary, Lin's film looks back lovingly while knowing the importance of building for the future, throwing in a touching tribute to the original cast (and Leonard Nimoy), while planting seeds of inspiration that we can hope to reap for years to come. Now playing at Cinemark Downtown 10. Rated PG-13. 120 minutes.

Two on the Aisle

Peter Pan prequel on stage in Simi

by Jim Spencer & Shirley Lorraine

Peter Pan. Tinkerbell. Wendy. J. M. Barrie created these iconic characters and the story of the boy who would never grow up in 1902. One hundred years later another Barry, humorist Dave Barry, along with co-author Ridley Peterson, launched a widely popular series (now five books) of children's adventures that continues the tales of Peter and his friends.

The first in the saga, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, is a prequel to the original story. It tells how an orphan boy in Victorian England and his mates end up on ship with a mysterious cargo bound for an island. How he meets a young girl (Molly – destined to become Wendy's mother) who has a special connection to powerful star stuff. How pirates become involved and more.

The stage adaptation of the first novel received five Tony awards. The Broadway script introduced grown-up story-telling, production and comedy techniques, all the while retaining both the charm of the era and the characters.

Produced by the prolific and talented Jan Glasband and her Actors Repertory Theatre of Simi (ACTS), the play is now on stage at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center through August.

Featured is a marvelous ensemble of a dozen actors who play close to 100 different parts - from pirates to mermaids to agitated native islanders. The differences in their various characterizations are well defined and engaging. Laughs abound as the fast-paced action progresses.

Starcatcher is billed as a play with music. It only has seven musical numbers. The excellent blending of the essentially all male chorus (and one female) is a joy to hear, with special kudos for the individual vocal performances of Katherine Bottoms (Molly) and Will Shupe (pirate captain Black [Mous-]Stache).

The use of pronounced accents and rapid-fire delivery may take California ears a few minutes to acclimate to before things become clear. The non-stop action doesn't wait for the audience to catch up, as there are rarely breaks to do so.

Occasional dangled references to the J.M. Barrie story also provide a mental scavenger hunt for those familiar with the classic tale. For some of the younger set, the story may be a bit confusing until all is wrapped up at the end.

Outstanding direction and creative staging of the piece are provided by Sean P. Harrington, ably enhanced by the skillful choreography of Becky Castells. Nothing lags. The action and dialogue move smoothly at high speed. The actors'

movements, scene changes and interactions are all skillfully coordinated. Harrington not only has the actors use the set effectively, they become set pieces at various times, adding previously unused dimensions to the flying repartee. The production is fresh fare for the family.

Performances of *Peter and the Starcatcher* continue until August 28, 2016 at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Simi Valley Cultural Center, 3050 Los Angeles Ave., Simi Valley. Tickets: \$25-adults. \$22-seniors/students. \$18-children. (805) 583-7900 or www.simi-arts.org.

New West Symphony Harmony Project receives grant

The New West Symphony announced that it has received a \$7,500 grant from the California Arts Council to help underwrite the costs for the Symphony's Harmony Project for incoming elementary school students. The funding will help defray the costs of salaries for the professional musicians who teach in the program as well as of instruments and supplies which are provided to the students at no charge.

This first-time grant is part of the California Arts Council's Artists in Schools program which supports projects that integrate community resources, such as artists and professional arts organizations, into standards-based arts learning projects for students.

"We are thrilled to receive this generous support from the California Arts Council, who share our passion for music and the arts" said New West Symphony Harmony Project of Ventura County Director Andrea Landin. "Harmony Project depends on our local arts community to support, sustain, and run this program. Without the Ventura arts community, we would not be able to have such a positive impact on these students and their families."

The New West Symphony Harmony Project of Ventura County is a youth development program that uses music as a tool for social change. It does this by providing tuition-free after school music lessons to children from Title I schools in Ventura, including Sheridan Way, EP Foster, and Will Rogers Elementary Schools, and DeAnza and Cabrillo Middle Schools. As a partner of the Ventura Unified School District, the program currently has 140 students in grades 3-8, with a waitlist of 40 students, and 10 professional Teaching Artists. It is affiliated with Harmony Project Los Angeles and was founded in Ventura by local philanthropists Sandra and Jordan Laby.

"California Arts Council grants provide vital support for projects in diverse communities across our state," said Craig Watson, director of the California Arts Council. "This was an historic year of state arts support. We are proud to invest more than \$8.5 million in funding 712 grant projects that will stimulate local growth and prosperity, and meet the needs of our communities through deep engagement with culture and creative expression."

This year, the California Arts Council's Artist in Schools program will allow 144 arts organizations to hire 580 teaching artists that will serve a total of more than 43,000 students in 323 schools across California.

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Weekly SUDOKU
by Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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King Crossword

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- 5 Culture medium
- 9 Seek damages
- 12 Frost
- 13 Contemptible
- 14 Moreover
- 15 Saharan
- 16 Sculpted head
- 17 18-wheeler
- 18 Pedestal part
- 19 "The Greatest"
- 20 Fisherman's hope
- 21 TV watchdog org.
- 23 Away from NNW
- 25 In a just manner
- 28 Certainly
- 32 Nome dome home
- 33 Heart line?
- 34 Aromatic resin
- 36 Brawl
- 37 Supplement, with "out"
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- 9 Hindu garment
- 10 One
- 11 Advantage
- 20 Sideshow performer's cot?
- 22 Cape
- 24 Glitch
- 25 White lie
- 26 Khan title
- 27 Not up to par
- 29 Blunder
- 30 Greek vowel
- 31 Rotation
- 35 Stamina
- 36 Like some eyebrows
- 39 Comical Caroline
- 40 "-- Lang Syne"
- 41 Pirate treasure, in part
- 43 Pedestal occupant
- 45 "American --"
- 46 Sandwich shop
- 47 Sodium chloride
- 49 Doctrine

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- 1 Actor Pitt
- 2 Old Italian money
- 3 In the thick of
- 4 State of great comfort
- 5 Monastery office

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A more harmonious aspect favors all relationships. Family ties with mates and children are strengthened. Libra is Cupid's choice to win the amorous Aries' heart.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The bold Bull is ready to take on fresh challenges. Expect some opposition as you plow new ground -- but supporters will outnumber detractors.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An upcoming job change could mean uprooting your family to a far-distant location. Weigh all considerations carefully before making a decision one way or the other.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A long-standing problem is resolved by a mutually agreed upon compromise. You can now focus on getting the facts you'll need for a decision you'll soon be asked to make.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat needs to be wary of what appears to be a golden investment opportunity. That "sure thing" could turn out to be nothing more than a sack of Kitty Glitter.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You give of yourself generously to help others, but right now you must allow people to help you. Confide your problems to family and trusted

friends.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Relationships benefit from a strong harmonious aspect. Things go more smoothly at work. Someone you thought you'd never see again asks for a reconciliation.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A minor distraction interferes with travel plans, but the delay is temporary. Meanwhile, expect to play peacemaker once again for feuding family members.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Keep that positive momentum going on the home front. Arrange your schedule to spend more time with your family. You'll soon have news about that job change.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Control that possessive tendency that sometimes goads you into an unnecessary display of jealousy. You could be creating problems where none currently exist.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new project holds some challenges you hadn't expected. But don't be discouraged; you'll find you're more prepared to deal with them than you realized.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Yours is the sign of the celestial Chemist, so don't be surprised if you experience a pleasant "chemistry" betwixt yourself and that new Leo in your life.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy being fussed over, as befits your "royal" Leonine nature. You also have a strong loyalty to family and friends.

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News & Notes



Lions Clubs honored for their contribution and support toward the establishment of Pediatric Eye Center.

County Board of Supervisors honors Ventura County Lions Clubs

The Ventura County Board of Supervisors presented members of the Ventura County Lions Clubs with a resolution in honor of their contribution and support toward the establishment of the Pediatric Eye Center at Ventura County Medical Center.

Ventura Downtown Lions Vision Projects Chairs Sandy Greenberg and First VP Don Fromberg along with Lions of the Pleasant Valley, Ojai, and Camarillo Amber Light clubs were on hand to present a check for \$41,675.28 to Amy Towner, CEO of the Health Care Foundation for Ventura County.

The funds will be used to purchase a retinal imaging camera which will be used to screen babies for Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) and other needed equipment for the Ventura County Medical Center.

The Resolution reads in part:

"Whereas, upon becoming aware of the great need for additional optometric and other eye care services for the children served by the VCMC system throughout Ventura County, and of the need for the establishment of a Pediatric Eye Center at Ventura County Medical Center to reduce waiting times for needed eye exams and vision care, Lions in numerous clubs in Ventura

County have, since February 2016, joined together and have, to date, raised in excess of \$50,000 for the purchase of necessary equipment to assist in establishing this now operational VCMC clinic; and

Whereas, the Lions in Ventura County intend to continue to work with VCMC in its efforts to provide a Pediatric Eye Center at Ventura County Medical Center, potentially an adult vision center as well, and in efforts to address the very substantial problem of diabetes throughout Ventura County, a major cause of blindness.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved That, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors expresses its great than and appreciation to the Lions of Ventura County for their outstanding contributions and efforts and commends them most heartily for their dedication to service and to the great service they have done and are doing for the children and for all of the residents throughout Ventura County."

The Ventura Downtown Lions Club meets the first three Thursdays of every month for lunch at noon at the Derby Club - Ventura County Fairgrounds.

For more information, visit venturalions.org or call 655-5595.

Edie Lanphar appointed Principal at Holy Cross School, Mission San Buenaventura

Edie Lanphar succeeds interim principal Fred Cruz effective July 1, 2016. Formerly she taught at Good Shepherd Catholic School in Santa Cruz as a middle school teacher and administrative intervention specialist.

"I am really looking forward to minister with Ms. Lanphar," stated Fr. Tom Elewaut, pastor of Mission San Buenaventura. "Her strengths include creating, building and nurturing communities where everyone feels connected, supported and understood. I believe she will be a great fit for Holy Cross School, and she will make positive contributions to both the school and the

parish communities."

Lanphar is excited about the position offer and is looking forward to the growth and learning opportunities that will unfold. "I have heard good things about Holy Cross School and I am excited to become a part of the Mission parish," shares Lanphar. "I have been shaped by the Catholic schools I have attended throughout my life and know how valuable they have been in my own faith and educational development. Additionally, my strengths contribute to helping students who are struggling as well as students who need to go further, and the adults who work with them, to identify and strengthen their gifts."

Lanphar earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Loyola Marymount University and a Master of Arts degree from the California Family Study Center in North Hollywood. She also holds a California Clear Multiple Subject Teaching Credential. She recently returned from lecturing in Australia in a Christian Education faculty with pre-service teachers.

Founded in 1922, Holy Cross School at San Buenaventura Mission derives its name from the Sisters of the Holy Cross who staffed the school for more than 70 years.

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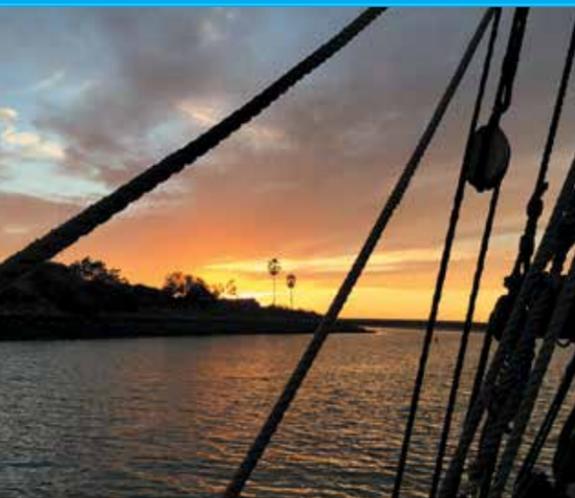
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8/15-8/19 M-F 1-4 pm
\$120+\$35 materials fee #7097

Each day will center on a different Food Network show! Be both competitor and judge as you enjoy your and fellow campers' Iron Chef, Chopped and Cupcake Wars creations.

Mindstorms Robotics
8-12 years

8/15-8/18 M-Th 1-4 pm \$155 #5846

Build, program and test a robot! Show it off for parents and friends on final day.

Instructors Rich & Joan Borgioli.

Comic Book Camp 8-12 years
8/15-8/19 M-F 9 am-12 pm \$120
#5804

Bam! Pow! Crunch! Explore the Golden Age of comics as you create your own characters, action and pages with cartooning master Mr. Scott. Camp held at the Bible Fellowship Church, 6950 E Ralston St.

Brixology 8-12 years
8/15-8/19 M-F 9 am-12 pm
\$179+\$35 materials fee #5833

Learn about aerospace and mechanical engineering as you team up to construct different projects using LEGO® bricks. Solve real-world design challenges such as carnival rides, drawing machines, mechanical animals and truss bridges.

Art at the Islands 9-18 years
8/15 Monday 11:30 am-5 pm
\$20+ \$43 boat fee #6627

Meet at Island Packers in Ventura 1691

Spinnaker Drive at 11:30 am for our visit to Scorpion Cove on Santa Cruz Island. On the Island we will draw architecture, flora and fauna and the ocean. We will be back in port by 5 pm. All reservations must be made ahead of time no day of reservations accepted. Instructor Catherine Broger.

Fairytales in the Park
FREE PERFORMANCES for Families

8/13 Saturday 4pm FREE

Fairytales in the Park is celebrating its 22nd season! Join us at Barranca Vista Park for a production of The Snow Queen 2: Trouble in Arendelle. Performances are the 2nd Saturday of every month. Bring a blanket, picnic and low lawn chairs. 7050 Ralston St. For more information call 805-654-7553



Breeze Senior Account Executive Breezy Gledhill, Alfred J. Lewis (from studioNothing) who makes the Breeze look pretty and Professor Scamp enjoying lunch at the pet friendly Traveler Café on Front Street.