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Anna Sorensen, James Lockwood and Jorja Garcia at poster award presentation.

“Rooted in Tradition” expressed in winning poster designs

James Lockwood, Publicity-Marketing introduced the 2017 Ventura County Fair poster winners on June 29 in the Fair offices at the Ventura County Fairgrounds. The contest was open to Ventura County youth in grades 5-12. The theme of this year’s fair is “Rooted in Tradition” and we are sure that you will agree that the 2017 posters illustrates the theme beautifully. The contest was held in the spring and selected from 42 student’s submitted works.

All of the Poster Contest entries will be displayed in the Youth Expo at the Fair.

Two of the talented ladies were there: First Place: Anna Sorensen, 13 years old, Simi Valley. Her painting will be used as the featured art for the 2017 Fair poster and in marketing materials.

Third Place: Jorja Garcia, 12 years old, Oxnard.

Second Place winner Carys Garvey, 14 years old, Ventura was on vacation with her family.

Proud mom Edith told the Breeze “Anna Sorensen is 13-years-old and lives in Simi Valley. She attends Hillside STEAM Academy, and emerged herself fully in the arts with her love for drawing and ceramics. Her other favorite subjects are math and science, and Anna is a member of the National Juniors Honors Society. Anna was also honored by the Rotary Club as Student of the Year. The inspiration for her Fair Poster came from her love of horses, and after doing a little

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VPD Officers and residents enjoy coffee, conversation at Sandbox Coffeehouse.

Coffee with a Cop fosters fellowship and discourse

by Jared Brewer

On Thursday, June 29, the Ventura Police Department hosted Coffee with a Cop at Sandbox Coffeehouse from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. in an effort to create a friendly, informal environment for

officers and residents alike to discuss community issues, forge relationships, and enjoy a good cup of coffee together.

However, the VPD is not alone in *Continued on page 17*



Four students learning the basics of Biotech are Gwen Armstrong, Akaysha Brunner, Mia Rodriques, and Nikolai Mollmann. John Daly a volunteer student from CSUCI is instructing them. Photo by Bernie Goldstein.

Biotech summer experience

From June 26 through June 29th Ventura College hosted selected Buena High School students for the Amgen Foundation’s “Biotech Summer Experience” workshop.

The Amgen Biotech Experience is an

innovative four-day science education program that provides research-grade equipment, supplies, curriculum, and professional development to middle and high schools. The program features a

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CAPS Radio’s Open House with Evan Carpenter sharing the KPPQ studio with the crowd.

CAPS Media is all about sharing stories

CAPS Radio brought together producers, disc jockeys and those interested in radio together last week for an open house. It was a pleasure to visit with over two dozen people passionate about radio. Thanks to all those who shared their stories. This is what CAPS Media is all about, sharing stories. Listen to KPPQ-LP 104.1fm as you’re driving to work, around town or at home and hear programming from locals as well as committed grass roots radio across the country. Go to the radio page on the CAPS Media Center’s website for information. Community support is welcome in any way. Let us know what you think, what you like and what you want to hear on CAPS Radio KPPQ-LP at 104.1FM.

The ECTV students are taking their well-earned break from school but not from their projects at CAPS. It’s great to see them supporting each other and other members with their projects and fine tuning their skills. There are still spaces available for our Digital Storytelling classes beginning July 17th. Call or come by.

Once again, we are out there covering the Chamber’s Economic Breakfast and sharing the interesting and thought provoking issues affecting the community. Check the schedule for broadcast dates and times. City meetings are ongoing and we continue coverage weekly. Tune in to channel 15 for Ventura’s important meetings.

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Chef Amy inspires you with new recipes at downtown spice store. Photo by Michael Gordon

Cooking classes at Spice-Topia

by Jennifer Tipton

Spice-Topia is the quaint little shop downtown on Main Street where fresh spices from all over the world, a variety of teas, infused olive oils, tasty balsamic and many other items tempt your culinary curiosity. One cannot walk by without being drawn in by the inviting scents of cinnamon and assorted spices, offering an invitation to create new recipes or bump the old ones up a notch or two!

Looking for new recipes or inspiration? Cooking classes are offered at Spice-Topia by either Chef Amy or Chef Lu usually every other week in the evening 6:30-8:30. These kitchen divas attended the same culinary school, both

are personal chefs and have their own catering business.

The classes are demos so that the students participate like a live studio audience with attendees from all age groups, gender and cooking experience. Complimentary herbal iced tea is served and the menus range in theme from "Gourmet Italian" to "Taco Night" with special holiday menus such as "Sweet-heart Supper" and the one I recently enjoyed, "Summer with Chef Amy". This was a celebration of summer that offered Bloody Mary Tomato Crostini's, Sticky Balsamic Ribs, Corn Skewers with Cilantro Lime Butter, 5 Bean Salad

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 Sat. July 8th - UFC213: Nunes vs. Shevchenko
 Sat. July 8th - Red Not Chili Peppers
 Fri. July 14th - Victim's Del Dr. Cerebro / Marujah
 Sat. July 15th - Surf Rodeo Afterparty
 Thu. July 20th - LAW
 Sat. July 22nd - Trevor Hall
 Thu. July 27th - Johnny Love
 Sat. July 29th - UFC214: Corimer vs. Jones 2
 Sat. July 29th - The Molly Ringwald Project - 80's Night
 Sat. August 5th - Shaky Feelin'

Sun. August 6th - The Ataris & The Queers
 Fri. August 11th - TATANKA
 Sat. August 12th - Through The Roots
 Fri. August 18th - Spencer the Gardener
 Wed. August 23rd - The Selector
 Sat. August 26th - Led Zepplica
 Sun. August 27th - Agent Orange
 Sat. Sept 2nd - Ventura Nationals ft. Three Black Jacks
 Sun. Sept 10th - Ana Popovic
 Wed. Sept 20th - The Wailers
 Sat. Sept 23rd - Cubensis - The Grateful Dead Experience
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Breeze:

It seems all the schools and Cities are headed over to the Harbor beaches these days instead of State Parks. Who wants to pay \$10 when you can park for free or what bus driver wants to pay \$100 when they can park for free. Plus less vagrants and a lot more amenities. The Harbor is doing things right.

Christy's (City council member Christy Weir) article on the Santa Clara Homeless Camps was truthful much like something Rob Orth would have written. If you're in the trenches you get a much better perspective. Note that Cheryl (City council member Cheryl Heitmann) was also over there in the riverbed with Christy.

Opinion/Editorial



Sheldon (Governor) Brown
Publisher-Editor

At a recent **City Council** meeting, one of the council members didn't say a single word during the deliberation of an item to be voted on. When it was his time to vote, he said no without comment, which is his prerogative. This bothers me. I think the citizens, need to know what councilmembers are thinking about items on the agenda if they expect us to vote for them in the future.

The Thousand Oaks City Council has taken the first step to possibly allow one medical **marijuana** dispensary and one marijuana testing facility to open in an industrial part of town. The council directed the city staff to write a proposed amendment to the city's Municipal Code chapter on marijuana, establishing a regulatory framework for the dispensary and the testing facility.

I think that it is time for our City Council to take a similar action. This could bring in additional tax dollars and keep Venturan's who really need medical marijuana from leaving the city to obtain it.

7% of all American adults believe that chocolate milk comes from brown cows (no kidding), according to a nationally representative online survey commissioned by the Innovation Center of U.S. Dairy. I would assume that these people also think that brown eggs come from brown chickens and are cheaper because they are plain wrapped.

By a 5-0 vote, **two future projects** have been approved by the Ventura Port District to be located on Spinnaker Drive in the **Harbor** "For development of visitor serving uses". The Ventura Port Board of Commissioners unanimously chose the developer and management company, H. Parker Hospitality (who partners with the Fess Parker Brand H. Parker Hospitality), to develop the two parcels that the district owns.

One is at the end of Spinnaker Drive next to the Channel Islands Visitor Center (on the dirt lot). The other site is the large grass next to the former Blackbeard's BBQ (soon to be a beer and sausage restaurant).

Parker proposed a 64-room upscale

facility and spa, with a beach cafe and a high-end restaurant with live music for the dirt lot and a hostel offering 12 shared rooms and 28 private rooms for the grass area.

I think that these projects would be wonderful for the Harbor even though they are many-many years away from fruition. These, along with the large development in the early stages of grading across from the Harbor, will have a large economic impact for the Harbor, its businesses, and the City of Ventura.

My concern, of course, is the large number of additional cars that would come to the Harbor. Parking is almost impossible



"Do you know what Focus Area One is, who the City Council can hire and fire? Tune into KPPQ104.1FM Saturday at 10am to hear my interview with Ventura City Manager Mark Watkins to find out."

now when events are held there, and during the summer months especially. The two projects will have their own on-site parking, and I certainly hope that will be sufficient.

Many great events (art, auto shows, etc.) are presented on the open grass area. Hopefully, some grass will remain, so that the many annual events held there can continue.

Likely later this fall-winter they would start the permit entitlement process which will require going to the Coastal Commission for approval.

The Ventura Port District is governed by a five-member Board of Port Commissioners, serving four-year terms without compensation. The current members of the Board are James J. Friedman, Everard G.

Ashworth, Bruce E. Smith, Brian Brennan and Nikos T. Valance.

The Ventura Planning Commission have approved the staff recommendation regarding making revisions to the Ventura **Auto Center Specific Plan**. They will be sent go to the City Council which will have the final approvals.

The Auto Center Plan is part of Focus Area One, which includes property behind the auto mall. This property could also contain large big box businesses bringing more people to the auto center area.

Other improvements would include extending Olivas Park Drive and widening the street in front of the dealerships.

Commissioners had extensive discussions regarding the proposed signage that the dealers wanted so the center would be more visible from the freeway. They eventually approved the signs by a 5-2 vote but added that the Design Review Committee retain approval rights of all signage at the center, instead of the Community Development Director as recommended.

Asign roughly 82' tall and 218' from the freeway was approved. The sign would sit below the freeway height. There were several community speakers who were opposed to the sign. Part of the approval is that the City has occasional use of the sign to showcase events and happenings in Ventura.

The commissioners also approved the auto dealers' request that used vehicles sold there must be five years old or newer. Lots selling only used cars are prohibited.

The plan now goes to the City Council for a final vote. It will be an agenda item at the July 10 meeting.

The Ventura Auto Center is the biggest sales tax generator for the city. These conditions could help it bring in even more revenue and taxes.

Unlike Oxnard's Auto Center, there is little reason to drive by our dealers unless looking for a car (or RV) or going to plays cards at Players Casino. To visit several big box stores in Oxnard, it is necessary to drive through their auto center, so they have much greater exposure. How great would it be to have the only IKEA on the central coast, for example? Imagine how many people from the region would visit Ventura.

Mailbox

Pokeman...the City is great at issuing permits...but it ends there...no attention to detail. Just recently they posted via email that the Mountain to Sea marathon was to be on Saturday...it was on Sunday and I got my notice in the snail mail on Wednesday days after the event. Better late than never I guess.

Robert Georgeson

Thanks Breeze:

Ventura Breeze Newspaper is a huge supporter and we are so happy to call them a partner in making Ventura an even better place to call home. A huge round of applause to Ventura Breeze for their support of the 5K and 1 Mile Survivor Walk! YMCA

Hi, Sheldon -

A belated thank-you for your story in the Ventura Breeze about the 2017 CFMS-AFMS National Gem Show! We enjoyed a terrific show and all three days saw fantastic foot traffic! On behalf of the hosting Ventura Gem & Mineral Society, our sincere thanks for your help in getting the word out to our local public!

Best regards,

Jim Brace-Thompson

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

CAPS Media

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what we do and how we can support you in obtaining the skills to produce your own show. It's been said before that we are one of Ventura's hidden gems. Those who live, work or attend school in the city of Ventura are eligible to become a member. Non-profit organizations are invited to join too.

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City News

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Ventura events

by Ana Baker

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. 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 Street in Room 301 of Building 300. Email 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.

There will be a regular Ventura



Community Events

Discussion Group meeting at Main Street Restaurant 3159 Main St., Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Several people usually stay for a drink and a bite to eat afterward. Bring an interesting topic to discuss if you can.

Ventura's ACBL Duplicate Bridge Club offers games for all levels of play. Learn the game, play with your peers, and earn master points while you are having fun. There is a game every day of the week. Check out their website at www.vcbridge.org Life is Better with Bridge.

The Ventura Retired Men's Group welcomes interested men to their semi-monthly Tuesday lunch (\$15) meetings at the Ventura Elks lodge. This regular congenial social event, besides a healthy, satisfying meal, supplies a welcome atmosphere to talk and joke, hear a speaker on a variety of relevant topics and brighten your week. Hear more from Steve at 642-1359

Country Western Line Dancing every Tuesday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Instruction every night. Located at the Mooselodge, 10269 Telephone Road. More information at countrylovers.com.

July 5: Historian Connie Kornstein presents a living history of early Oxnard through the eyes of Frances Kaufman Petit. Frances tells exciting stories of Oxnard in the Wild West days and the coming of the Sugar Beet Factory. The Tales of Early Oxnard will be held at the Olivas Adobe Exhibition Hall, 4200 Olivas Park Dr., at 6 p.m. and is sponsored by the Olivas Adobe Historical Interpreters.

July 10: Justice For All invites you to attend their Summer Social for Justice to connect, share and build community to keep the human and environmental rights movement marching forward towards a better future for all on Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at The Tavern - 211 E Santa Clara St. The gathering will be a relaxing evening with a chance to reconnect and feel inspired again - a way to recapture the energy of the March for Justice. Participants will hear success stories and learn how to become involved in shaping the future of Ventura County. The mixer also marks the six month anniversary of Justice for All's inaugural event, the March for Justice. RSVP to JusticeForAllVC@gmail.com

July 12: The Ventura County Camera Club will hold a critique meeting on Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m. at the Poinsettia Pavilion. A professional photographer from the area will critique member's prints and digital images. The topic for July is "Speed". Chris Zsarney will be the judge for July. 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

July 14: The General George S. Patton, Jr. Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution July luncheon meeting will include a special program presentation "Samuel Gorton - My Colonial Ancestor and Religious Maverick," presented by Eric Stassforth. The luncheon event will take place at 11:30 a.m., Friday, in the Garden Room, Marie Callender's Restaurant. All SAR & DAR Compatriots, friends, and visitors are welcome to join us. If you choose to join for lunch, cost is \$20. For additional information or for assistance in determining your

possible Revolutionary War genealogical roots, please call Bill Bays 650-3036 or Robert Taylor 216-7992. For information regarding SAR membership and chapter activities, please visit <http://pattonpatriots.org>.

July 15: Cellist Andrea Landin, guitarist Michelle Rosenblum aka "Melody Bird," banjo player Donna Lynn Caskey, pianist Shelby Figueroa, and multi-media artist Amber Bassett will combine their diverse talents in a collaborative concert entitled Women In The Round: VOICES. Event will be held at the Bell Arts Factory, 432 N. Ventura Ave. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for the 7 p.m. show. Admission is by voluntary suggested donation of \$15 to \$20 at the door with a portion of proceeds supporting Bell Arts' community, education, and youth programs.

July 16: The Ventura and Santa Barbara County chapter of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC) will meet Sunday, in the Campus Student Center of Ventura College. The regular meeting starts at noon and at 11 a.m. there will be an informal workshop where a topic on clocks or watches will be demonstrated and discussed. This month's program will be a presentation by Matt Bonaccorso on his Mayer Brothers Street Clock. There is a \$3 admission charge. Lunch is available for \$5. Watches & clocks will be on display. More information can be found at www.nawcc-ch190.com.

July 17, 31 August 7, 21: Toastmasters bi-Monthly meeting of the Poinsettia Club focuses on public speaking, presentation fundamentals and leadership skills. Work with gestures, vocal variation, awareness of um's and ah's, visual aids such as power point, delivery of inspirational speeches, and giving meaningful evaluations. The small group permits plenty of speaking opportunities for all. Free to guests. Held from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Community Partners Room 801 S. Victoria Suite 201.

July 29: Join the Ventura Family YMCA at their 18th annual 5k run/walk and one-mile survivors' walk for LiveSTRONG at the YMCA. 7 a.m. check-in, 5K starts at 8 a.m. Registration/Race Start Location Ventura Family YMCA, 3760 Telegraph Rd. All proceeds benefit the community through the Y's Open Doors scholarship program. For more information, contact Sherry Gutsch at 642.2131 x20 or Sherry.Gutsch@cymca.org

Ojai news and events



World Without Walls painting by Erik Reel will be exhibited at the Porch Gallery in Ojai through August 20. Show opens Saturday

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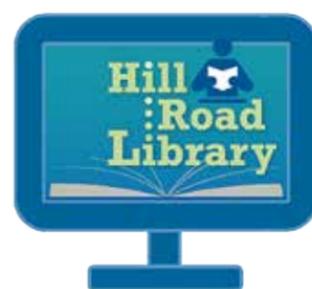


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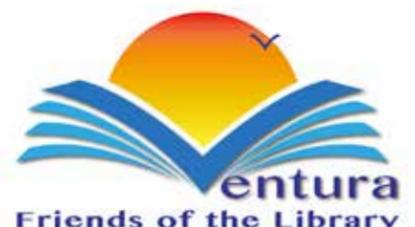
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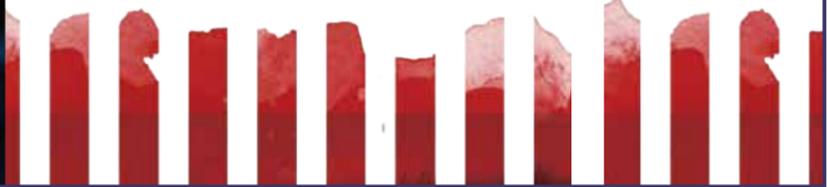
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July 15 from 5 to 7 pm. LA-based artist Diane Silver will also be featured. Porch Gallery is located at 310 East Matilija Ave. and is open Thursday and Friday noon-5, Saturdays 11-4, Sundays 9:30-1 and by appointment at 620.7589.

At 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 15 the Ojai Library will host a screening of the film Paying the Price for Peace: The Story of S. Brian Willson & Voices from the Peace Movement. After the screening there will be a Q&A session with the film's Associate Producer, Frank Dorrel.

Vietnam veteran S. Brian Willson paid the price for peace as he was run over and nearly killed by a military train during a non-violent protest on September 1st, 1987. Since then, Brian has not stopped calling attention to the effects of the U.S. military machine and ongoing state of war.

This event is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Ron Solórzano, Regional Librarian, at 218-9146.

The Ojai Library is located at 111 East Ojai Ave. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday.

The Ojai Photography Club hosts Michelle Magdalena Maddox, an award-winning fine art and commercial photographer based in Pacific Grove. The free presentation, "The Creative Process," will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at Help of Ojai's Kent Hall, 111 W. Santa Ana St.

A graduate of Brooks Institute in 2006, Maddox will share her journey through photography with an in-depth

look into the many series she has created and her evolving process.

Monthly free presentations are part of the Ojai Photography Club's community service and education outreach.

The club meets on the third Tuesday of each month, February - November. Only members may submit images for critique. More information is available at: www.ojaiphotoclub.com/

The Ojai Playwrights Conference (OPC), one of the most acclaimed new play developmental programs in the country, announces its celebratory 20th Anniversary season with an extraordinary program of playwrights, new play workshop presentations and special performance events from August 6 through 13.

The OPC Summer New Works Festival will feature twelve events over five days with up-and-coming playwrights as well as writers that have been working with the conference for many years.

Seating is limited for the OPC Summer New Works Festival, and tickets (\$30) may be purchased online at www.ojaiplays.org.

For thirty years the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy has worked to preserve and protect local open space. The newest Ojai Valley Museum exhibition examines at their history and their preserves. The Opening Reception of "Protecting The Ojai: Ojai Valley Land Conservancy" is Saturday, July 8 from 5-7pm at the museum.

"The natural landscape of the valley is such an important part of our community that an exhibit highlighting the Land Conservancy's work

makes perfect sense for the museum," said museum director Wendy Barker. Edward Libbey helped transform Ojai based on his belief in the City Beautiful Movement - that living in a well-designed community inspires civic engagement.

The exhibition will be open from July 8 through September 24th.

A Town Talk on Creating Trails will take place on Sunday, July 23rd from 4:30pm to 6pm. Presenters Rick Bisaccia, OVLC Stewardship Director and Craig R Carey, author of "Hiking and Backpacking Ventura and Santa Barbara" will discuss what makes a good trail and where the best ones in the back-country. Admission to Town Talks is \$5, free for museum members.

The Ojai Valley Museum is located at 130 W. Ojai Ave. Free parking is available behind the museum, off Blanche Street. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday noon to 4 pm. Group or school tours available by appointment.

For information call the museum at 640-1390, ext. 201, email ojaimumuseum@gmail.com, or visit the museum website at OjaiValleyMuseum.org.

Cooking classes at Spic-Topia

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with Smoked Paprika Vinaigrette and Blueberry Peach Portable Pie - oh yes!

As the chefs demo the preparation, students learn the fundamentals of chopping an onion (without crying), peeling garlic the easy way and other tricks of the trade such as proper technique and safe food handling.

Chef Amy teaches about the origin

of certain foods and emphasizes the importance of certified organic produce, the best cuts of meat, best places to shop and don't even get her started on GMOs ... Chef Amy states, "It's okay to disagree with me, but remember, I have knives!"

Both chefs stress the importance of checking expiration dates which prompted me to tear through my pantry only to find a can of baking powder from 1986, (maybe that's why my cakes kept falling) and maybe that's why everything at Spic-Topia is so fresh and aromatic.

Although the classes are demos, all items on the menu have been pre-prepared, students are served samplers of everything and sent home with the recipes. Classes are only \$35.00 and everyone gets 15% off their store purchase the night of the class. Such a deal!

Check their website for details: www.spicetopia.com

Rooted in Tradition

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research she found that horses also have been a tradition at the Fair since 1874. "

"Besides her passion for art, Anna, a future Veterinarian in the making, is an accomplished swimmer, loves to write stories, owns dairy goats, always looks forward to riding her horse, and loves educating her community about solitary and social bees. She is a 4-H County Officer for the Consumer Science Development Committee and President of the Conejo Simi 4-H Club. Anna is looking forward to beginning her next school year in the Honors Program, and cannot wait to bring her animals to this year's Fair."



News & Notes



Experience the Summer of Love at the Museum of Ventura County.

Make love at the Museum and not war

In the summer of 1967, nearly 100,000 people including artists, activists, writers and musicians from across the country, converged on San Francisco, igniting a cultural revolution; the season became known as the Summer of Love. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of this historical movement, the Museum of Ventura County is presenting a summer series of events featuring notable speakers, movies, concerts, lectures and documentaries significant to the time.

July 8: Summer of Love tent-pole event features two tribute bands, a Volkswagen car show, button-making, food and a cash bar. Admission is \$10/members, \$15/non-members.

July 8 through Aug. 27: A community-based pop-up exhibit, curated to showcase the Ventura County community's connection to and reality of the Summer of Love, titled Turn On, Tune In, Drop Out:

July 22: Screening of the Woodstock Music and Art Fair, which took place two years after the Summer of Love, and on the country's opposite coast. The showing starts at 5 p.m., with doors opening at 4 p.m. Admission is \$10/members, \$15/non-members. No-host bar available.

July 28: Presentation of the 1967 Best Picture, In the Heat of the Night, starring Sidney Poitier and Rod Steiger. Screening at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6 p.m. Admission is \$5/members, \$10/non-members. No-host bar available.

Aug. 10: Drummer Fito de la Parra talks about his life in rock 'n roll, from his start as a house drummer at the Tom Cat Club in Torrance to joining the up-and-coming blues band Canned Heat. The lecture, "Bringing the Heat," will run from 7-9 p.m. Admission is FREE/members, \$5/non-members.

Aug. 17: Ventura County Poet Laureate, Phil Taggart, will perform readings from the works of writer Charles Bukowski. The event is from 6:30-9 p.m. Admission is \$10/members, \$15/non-members. No-host bar available.

Aug. 26: Grateful Dead Tribute Band Cubensis will pay tribute to the era's significance as an epoch in the evolution of popular music. 5-8 p.m. doors open at 4 p.m. Admission is \$15/members, \$20/non-members. No-host bar available.

Museum of Ventura County, 100 E Main St. Visit venturamuseum.org for a full schedule of events and exhibits. 653.0323 for more information. Open Tuesday - Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Biotech summer experience

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hands-on molecular biology curriculum designed to introduce students to the excitement of scientific discovery. Ventura College Vice President of Business Services David Keebler said, "Ventura College is proud to participate and host this enriching Biotech Summer Experience for our community's high school students."

After submitting applications, 24 Buena High students were chosen to participate in the workshop which will take place in the Applied Science Center at Ventura College. Participating students learned the practice skills used in advanced biotechnology laboratories, including working with DNA and bacteria.

Ventura College Biology Instruc-

tor, Jennifer Garner facilitated the program providing the local high school students with campus tours during the students' time on the college campus. Ventura College offers an Associate of Science degree and a Certificate of Achievement in Biotechnology. The Biotechnology Program is designed to prepare students for employment in a variety of industries that increasingly use biotechnology techniques. These industries include pharmaceutical discovery and manufacturing companies such as Amgen, as well as, agricultural technology, and food safety and processing.

For more information on the Amgen Biotech Summer Experience and Biotechnology programs at Ventura College contact Jennifer Garner, at 289-6530 or jgarner@vcccd.edu.



The Ventura County Concert Band, conducted by Miss Julie Judd, will open the Ventura Music Festival's 23rd season with a free public concert on Tuesday, July 11th, from 6 to 7pm at the Mini-Park on Main Street, between Oak and Palm.

"Julie tells me the Band is excited about playing, and I know they'll give us a rousing start to the Festival with American music favorites ranging from Gershwin to Disney and Ray Charles," said VMF Executive Director Susan Scott.

The Festival lineup includes nine more concerts between July 13-16 and July 21-23.

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WEV Spanish Self-Employment Training graduates set for business success

Women's Economic Ventures (WEV) recently celebrated the accomplishments of 17 women and men who successfully completed WEV's Ventura County-based Advanced Spanish Self-Employment Training (SSET) course with a graduation ceremony held at Ventura Adult & Continuing Education (VACE) in Ventura.

After 14 weeks of training on topics including finances, marketing and sales, public relations and advertising, legal and insurance issues, record keeping, and how to write a business plan, these graduates completed the course with the necessary tools and support needed to start or expand their businesses.

"We are so proud of the dedication and passion these graduates showed in class" said Leticia Sandoval, WEV Spanish Program Coordinator. "Even though some had to travel or come straight after a long day of work, they committed to doing the work and now have graduated with more confidence and the resources necessary to achieve their dreams. We can't wait to see how far they can go!"

The graduates range from first-time business owners to those who have turned to WEV to help expand their existing businesses. Graduate businesses and business ideas include day care, landscaping, transportation, healthy

meals for delivery, restaurants, housecleaning, manicurist, and more.

WEV offers an Advanced 14 week Self Employment Training course for Spanish-speakers who wish to learn step by step how to start, improve, or grow a small business. The course is held once a week for 14 consecutive weeks. The next Advanced Spanish Self-Employment Training (SSET) course in Ventura County begins August 23rd. To qualify for the course, interested participants must set an appointment to interview with Spanish Program Coordinator Leticia Sandoval. For more information please call 456-2383 or visit www.wevonline.org/wev-en-espanol-2/capacitacion.

WEV is dedicated to creating an equitable and just society through the economic empowerment of women. Since 1991, WEV has been providing a continuum of comprehensive services - training, consulting and loans - to help entrepreneurs start grow and thrive in business. WEV's service area includes Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, with offices in Santa Barbara, Ventura and Santa Maria. WEV provides start-up and expansion loans of up to \$50,000 to pre-bankable microenterprises. For more information, visit WEV's Web site at <http://www.wevonline.org>.

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Scam alerts

Buying a gift card for a graduate in your life? Choose wisely. In the store, thieves can remove gift cards from racks, copy the codes, and then dial the number on the back of the card to learn when they were activated and their value for online spending or to clone cards for in-store use. Purchase gift cards directly from a store cashier, customer service counter or the company's website. The cashier should scan and activate the card in your presence. And get a receipt

in case there's a problem.

Don't let scammers ruin your summer vacation. One way thieves prey on travelers is through front-desk fraud. Hotel guests receive a call in the middle of the night, supposedly from the front desk. There's a problem with your payment, the caller says, asking you to confirm your credit card number. Only it's not hotel staff calling (they'd wait until morning); it's a scammer using a lobby phone. Never give your account numbers in unsolicited calls; contact the front desk yourself.

Getting calls from debt collectors? They might be fake if the person is trying to collect on a loan you don't recognize, asks you for sensitive information, or uses threats to try to scare you into paying. Tell the caller you won't discuss the debt unless they provide a written notice that includes the debt amount, the name of the creditor, and your rights under the federal Fair Debt Collections Practices Act. Never give out or confirm personal financial or other sensitive information unless you know who you're talking to. If the debt is legitimate, but the collector may be a fake, contact your creditor about the calls.

Scammers are creating fake websites

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Military spouses honored at Ventura Townehouse ceremony. In a recent issue we had this photo with the wrong name. This is Irma Munguia and not Jane Stow holding a photo of her late husband. We apologize to both of these lovely ladies who live at the Ventura Townehouse

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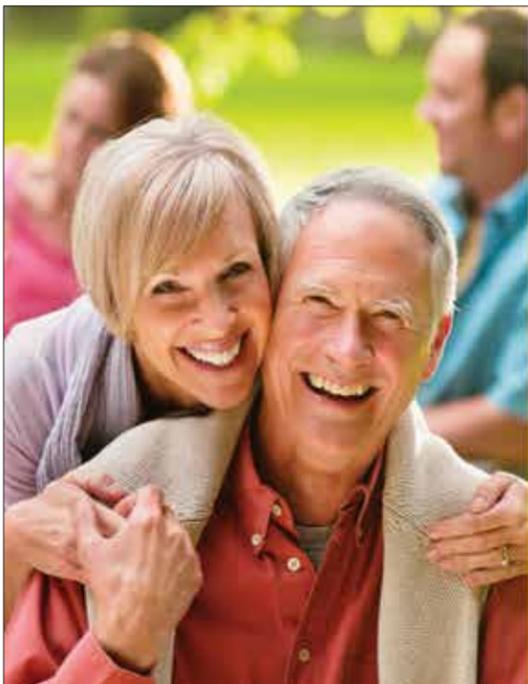
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Boots, rifle, helmet, and dog tags - honoring fallen service members - were on display against the backdrop of a retired "Huey" Army MEDEVAC helicopter. Photo by Michael Gordon.

Military flyover caps event honoring veterans

An Army helicopter flyover was part of the event to honor Veterans on Wednesday June 28, 2017 at Cypress Place Senior Living. The senior community hosted a special "Salute To Our Veterans" celebration with a ceremony recognizing residents of Cypress Place, as well as members of the public, who served our country. Over 250 people were estimated to have attended the powerful tribute.

The flyover was not listed in the program and was a surprise to those in attendance at the event according to Steve Spira, executive director of the senior community. "We weren't sure if the timing would work out, so we didn't include it in the program," said Spira. "I actually had to stall a little bit at the end of the ceremony, but it worked out perfectly and everyone loved it."

A military Color Guard presentation by the 1st Memorial Honors Detail led off the ceremony, followed by a special Veteran recognition and recognition of widows and widowers of Veterans. Captain Chris Janke, Commanding Officer of Naval Base Ventura County, made the keynote presentation. He attended along with several sailors from the base. The sailors were able to meet the Veterans while enjoying lunch after the ceremony.

Veterans in attendance received decorative medals in honor of their service, as did widows of Veterans. Veterans living at Cypress Place Senior Living also received Certificates of Recognition from the office of California State Assembly Member Jacqui Irwin.

Special words of thanks were offered during the ceremony by Mike McManus, Veteran Services Officer from the County of Ventura, as well as Ventura City Assistant Fire Chief Matt Brock, and Ventura Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Stephanie Caldwell.

TAPS was played, and a flag was folded and presented to 93 year-old Cypress Place resident and former United States Army Air Corps Sergeant, Richard Klock, on behalf of all Veterans in attendance.

A bouquet of flowers was presented to Cypress Place resident - and widow of a Veteran - Alice Smith, on behalf of all family members who have served.

A retired Bell UH-1 "Huey" MEDEVAC Army helicopter was on display provided by Scofield Catering and Management, along with a private war memorabilia collection by Tom Weaver, in addition to memorabilia from residents of the senior community.

A patriotic quilt, made by Lisa Gorski, the daughter of a current resident veteran of the senior community, was also given away. Karen Jones of Ventura was the winner of the quilt.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ventura City Fire Training Chief Jack Hensen. Paul Lenderman led the audience in the National Anthem. Live musical entertainment and a free BBQ lunch followed the tribute.

To learn more about Cypress Place Senior Living of Ventura please call 650-8000 or visit their web site at www.cypressplaceseniorliving.com.



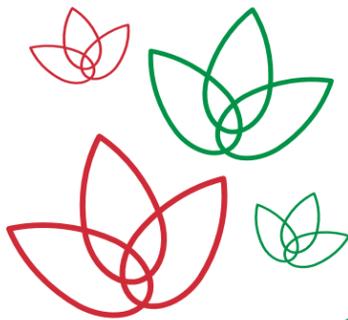
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Senior falls

by **Tammy Delgado**
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A senior citizen falls every 13 seconds in this country. And each year, more than one million elderly people go to the ER with injuries. Local families scramble to keep their elderly loved ones safe, but often don't know how.

For Older Americans Month, which was in May, we have a compelling visual story for you to demonstrate Senior Life-Saving Hacks — simple techniques families can use to keep seniors safe. Local senior care experts will show how to prevent injuries with things around the house, like curlers, pantyhose, and soap.

Eighty percent of senior falls happen in the bathroom. Slippery surfaces are hazardous and usually to blame. Place a bar of soap in the leg of pantyhose. Tie the open end to a towel bar in the shower or the shower head. Seniors can still use the soap through the stocking. Best of all — no dropping the soap, or slipping and falling trying to pick it up.

Staircases and stairway accidents are the second leading cause of accidental injuries — second only to motor vehicle accidents. Each year 12,000 people die from stairway accidental deaths — many of them seniors.

Place a strip of colorful duct tape on the edges of stair steps to make it easier to judge the depth and distance to keep from tripping and falling. Place strips of puffy plastic shelf liner on stair handrails to increase grip and reduce slip risk.

46% of persons aged 65 and older are dealing with some form of arthritis. Arthritis is a leading cause of disability in the U.S.

Get a Grip — Arthritis and other conditions can impact how well a senior can grip, hold, or open items. A poor grip can lead to injury while using simple items around the house.

Slip a foam hair roller over the end of silverware to improve hold — especially with knives.

Wrap rubber bands around a glass to prevent it from slipping out of hands and breaking. This hack reduces the risk of cuts.

Use rubber coated gardening gloves to help open jars or bottles. Puffy plastic shelf liner works, too! Make doorknobs easier to grip by placing a foam roller over the end. But wait, there's more. Here are some other helpful hacks for seniors.

Zip It — Attach round key rings or bobby pins to zipper pulls to make getting dressed easier.

Canned Do — Use canned goods as weights during exercise. Grab those peas and get pumping!

Recipe Rescue — Attach a cookbook or recipe page to a pants hanger and

hang from a kitchen cabinet door knob for hands-free recipe reading.

Ice, Ice Baby — Use an upside-down ice cube tray to hold playing cards.

Have a Ball — Push a writing utensil or paint brush through a tennis ball to get a better handle on things.

Senior Song Circle

July 11 (2nd Tues. of each month), 1:30 - 4 p.m. July 25 (4th Tues. of each month), 1:30 - 4 p.m. at SCAN Health and Wellness Center, 6633 Telephone Rd., Ste., 100, led by Marty Capsuto. Center is for those 55+ and guests, but Marty will guest sponsor all Songmakers under 55. Located three blocks east of Ventura County Gov't Center, corner of Partridge & Telephone. Plenty of parking behind building. Contact Marty at 658-0365 or mcapsuto@scanhealthplan.com.

July 28 (4th Friday of each month), 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. Like to play acoustic music? Songmakers.org welcomes all lovers of acoustic music—instrumentalists, singers, and singer/songwriters of all levels—to join in a free song circle at the Bell Arts Factory Community Room, 432 N. Ventura Ave. Listeners welcome! Mike Wittlin 750-8281.

Aging loved ones and changes in the home

by **Connie De La Rosa**

Does it seem that your loved one's home is not quite as organized as it used to be? Does it seem like the home needs more maintenance than usual? Offering to help with whatever needs to be done around the house will give you a pretty good idea of things that are not getting done from minor to major repairs. Many times, it may be a simple item dropping to the floor such as a hair brush and the aging person may not be able to bend and pick it up due to pain or being at risk of falling.

Appearance of parents — Does it seem like your parents have lost weight or appear to look frail? Are they showering, grooming or changing clothes regularly if not, what are the reasons? Depression? Inability to lift arms due to pain?

Hearing — If your parents are giving you answers to your questions that don't make sense, were they able to hear you? Can they hear doorbell, phone or if driving, cars honking and ambulances?

Paying bills — Are your parents paying bills on time? Are there unopened envelopes that require payment or other important information?

If you are a family caregiver, and need resources or information on programs that may be able to assist in these area, please call 420-0608.

Scam alerts

Continued from page 11 that look like known and trusted news sites to sell "brain booster" pills. They post bogus articles about the pills with

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endorsements from people like Stephen Hawking and Anderson Cooper (neither has endorsed any such product). The site then links you to the sales page for the pills where you can place an order with a credit or debit card. The scammers claim the pills will lead to an increase in concentration and memory recall, but there is no evidence to support these claims, according to the Federal Trade Commis-

sion. It's always a good idea to consult with your doctor before purchasing health products.

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Senior Living

Common Medicare terms and their definitions

by Jayson Cohen
 American Legacy Solutions

As our healthcare landscape continues to broaden and change so do the terms that services are referred to as. As we know that none of us were born speaking insurance, we have identified some main questions we have gotten over the years and included the definitions* for your benefit below.

Critical Access Hospital (CAH) - A small facility that provides outpatient services, as well as inpatient services on a limited basis, to people in rural areas.

Deductible - The amount you must pay for health care or prescriptions before Original Medicare, your prescription drug plan, or your other insurance begins to pay.

Medicare Advantage Plan (Part C) - A type of Medicare health plan offered by a private company that contracts with Medicare to provide you with all your Part A and Part B benefits. Medicare Advantage Plans include Health Maintenance Organizations, Preferred Provider Organizations, Private Fee-For-Service Plans, Special Needs Plans, and Medicare Medical Savings Account Plans. If you are enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, most Medicare services are

covered through the plan and aren't paid for under Original Medicare. Most Medicare Advantage Plans offer Prescription Drug Coverage.

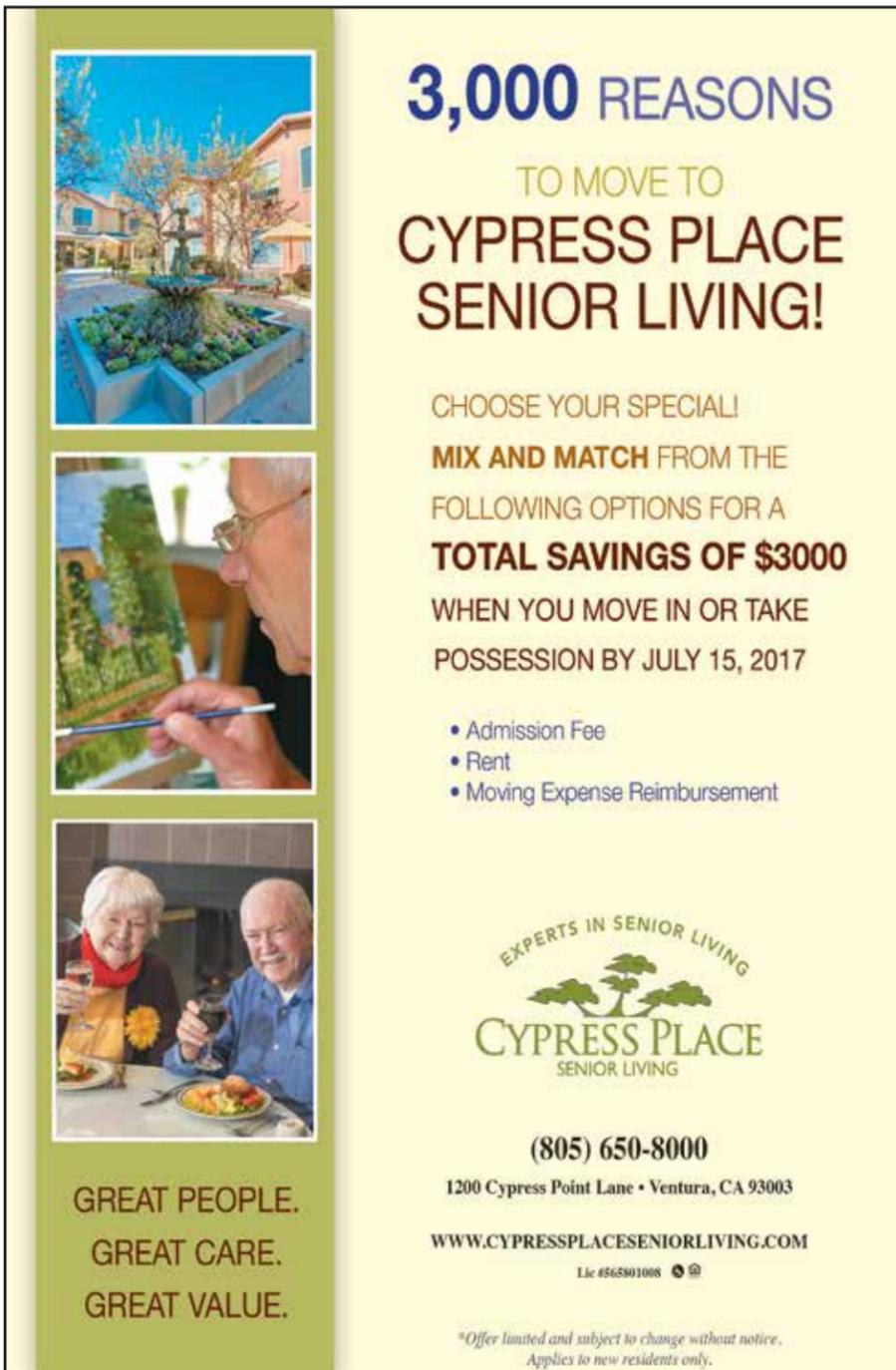
Medicare-approved amount - In Original Medicare, this is the amount a doctor or supplier that accepts assignment can be paid. It may be less than the actual amount a doctor or supplier charges. Medicare pays part of this amount and you're responsible for the difference.

Medicare Summary Notice - A notice you get after the doctor, other health care provider, or supplier files a claim for Part A or Part B services in Original Medicare. It explains what the doctor, other health care provider, or supplier billed for, the Medicare-approved amount, how much Medicare paid, and what you must pay.

Original Medicare - Original Medicare is a fee-for-service health plan that has two parts: Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Part B (Medical Insurance). After you pay a deductible, Medicare pays its share of the Medicare-approved amount, and you pay your share (coinsurance and deductibles).

As we know there are many terms used on a regular basis that were not covered in this article please feel free to email us and let us know what other terms or questions that are needed to be addressed. Please check back regularly as we will be addressing different questions and concerns in this section.

*All definitions are taken from CMS product number 11021, revised march 2016



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News & Notes

Golden Future 50+ Senior Expo

Golden Future Expos is pleased to announce the 6th Annual Golden Future 50+ Senior Expo to be held on Saturday, July 8 at the Ventura County Fairgrounds inside the San Miguel Expo Hall from 10:00am – 2:30pm.

The event to be held in conjunction with the following sponsors: Not Born Yesterday Monthly Newspaper, New Lifestyles Magazine, Senior Alternatives, California Senior Guide, and the Ventura County Star.

The event will feature 60 vendors with products, services, and resources tailored for Baby Boomers, Seniors, Caregivers, and Friends/Family.

Highlights Include:

- Free Admission and free parking at the Fairgrounds!
- Free Health Screenings (Blood Pressure, Carotid Artery/Stroke, Blood Glucose, Vein Ultrasound Screening & More)
- Free Resume Review & Career Consultation
- Free Medicare and/or Financial Planning Advice
- Live Comedy Show by Michael Sherman, "The Michael Sherman Comedy Hour"
- Great Speakers & Workshops (Social Security, Medicare, Oral Health, Meditation Class, and More!)
- Hourly Door Prize Drawings & Giveaways
- Mini Job & Volunteer Fair
- Food For Purchase
- \$250 Grand Prize Drawing
- Golden Future Social Hour
- Fitness Classes

"Baby Boomers and Seniors have

redefined every stage of their life and are now redefining the aging process" says Toyia Moore, Event Producer at Golden Future Expos. "The Golden Future 50+ Senior Expo will be a Power-Up day for people to get out and socialize, access health resources, shop for products and services, and be entertained and informed," said Moore.

For more information, visit www.goldenfutureseniorexpo.com or contact 424-772-6039.

Project Understanding's 40th anniversary

by Jennifer Tipton

Project Understanding, founded in July 1977 is Ventura's own nonprofit organization providing food, housing and tutoring to our less fortunate neighbors.

This Friday July 7, Project Understanding will be celebrating their 40th anniversary at The Poinsettia Pavilion from 6-10pm. The event will highlight testimonies from some of the individuals served by Project Understanding along with past Executive Directors and volunteers sharing their inspiration.

Admission to the event is \$19.77 and includes dinner. There will also be dance performances and salsa lessons followed by an open dance floor for all to join in.

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The Pet Page



Dedicated to Scamp

Estella is a sweet, affectionate 2-year-old Pit Bull. She and her human are homeless and are being helped by Buddy Nation. Buddy Nation is a registered 501(c)(3) organization devoted to helping the pets of Ventura's homeless, including veterinary care.

Estella is going lame and losing the use of her back legs. She needs double ACL surgery - Anterior Cruciate Ligament. Her surgery is scheduled for the end of July



Estella needs your help!

and will be done by Dr. Ian Holsworth of VetSurg. Although VetSurg has given a discount, the estimated cost will be \$6,000. Buddy Nation has raised about half that amount.

Please donate if you can, in any amount. All monies should go directly to VetSurg, marked for Estella/Buddy Nation. VetSurg - 2180, 2859 Loma Vista Road.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Detention Services Division launched a new interactive inmate program named 'R.U.F.F. Road' (Rehabilitation Utilizing Furry Friends) in January, 2017. The 16-week collaborative program allows inmates who are instructed by expert dog trainers to train shelter dogs in preparation for adoption.

The Sheriff's Office has established a partnership with Pivot Animal Assisted Education Outreach, a non-profit organization that aims to give dogs facing euthanasia at local shelters a second chance by providing them training that makes them more adoptable. The inmates will teach basic obedience, house training, and socialization skills through positive reinforcement.

This program allows inmates a chance to give back to their community by

training dogs to be well-behaved American Kennel Club Good Citizen Pets. While the dogs learn good behavior, trust, and skills that improve their adoption chances, the inmate's gains patience, confidence, self-pride, communication and job skills.

Pivot is one example of many organizations willing to work tirelessly to find and save last chance shelter dogs using inmates in county jails.

On June 21 the Ventura County Sheriff's office held the inaugural graduation ceremony for the canine training program. The event was held at the Todd Road Jail Facility. The guests of honor were dogs Brando, Buddy, Chance and Lipit.

For more information about Pivot, please visit www.pivotareo.org.

Gavel the Puppy (Vice-Regal Dog) and Fair Play

In Queensland, Australia the title of Vice-Regal Dog has been given to a German Shepard puppy who goes by the name of Gavel. He was originally enrolled in a police dog academy with the Queens-



"Can you believe that I was fired because I was too friendly" -Gavel

land Police Service but he was kicked out of the 16-month program early for being too friendly and now he is known as one of the fanciest dogs in the world. Aren't dogs supposed to be friendly?

Since April of 2016, Gavel has been living at the official residence of the Queensland Governor, where the Governor himself decided to give Gavel a job that was perfect for him and his friendly personality.

"He has outgrown four ceremonial coats, undergone a career change and brought untold joy to the lives of the Governor, Mrs. de Jersey, Government House staff, and the thousands of Queenslanders who have since visited the estate," the office of Governor Paul de Jersey stated. Since Gavel's promotion to Vice-Regal Dog became official in February, he has been working hard welcoming guests and playing with tour groups at the Governor's house and the office at the Governor's house has also begun posting photos of Gavel's best moments on social media. "We hope Gavel is with us for a long, long time into the future."



Proud dogs and trainers at new interactive Ventura County Sheriff's inmate program. Photos by Michael Gordon.

16-years-old Sherlock Patterson has passed away. A great little Doxie, rescued from a hoarder/breeder, born blind due to inbreeding, but that never stopped him...he raced down the back steps into the yard and traveled to New York and San Francisco without a misstep.

Sherlock is very missed by his family - 2 and 4 footed.



Scamp Club

(Scampclub pets are not for adoption.)

Some dog ate the information about these dogs, but they all are special and might be recognized.

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Forever homes wanted

Hi: I'm Brave Heart. People were living in a car in a park (not in Ventura County). Law enforcement received a report of "shots fired" in the park. Sadly several people were shot dead. Immediately, I attacked the shooters and drove them off (this account has been verified by police report). I was taken to the local animal services. A long story short I ended up at C.A.R.L.

C.A.R.L. was astounded at how friendly and loving I am. All I want to do is be with someone who cares. I might want to live in a home where someone is home almost all the time. I am not sure about living with other dogs, hope to work on making friends while I am at C.A.R.L.

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Johnny (A661101) is a very friendly guy who loves to chat and is particularly skilled at convincing people to give him treats. We think he'd make a great mascot for Temptations or Party Mix. He'd love to get to know you in kennel 323 in Camarillo. Stop by and let him brighten your day or better yet, adopt him and let him brighten your life. Ventura County Animal Services - Camarillo location - 600 Aviation Drive



The Pet Page



From June 29 to July 2 the Seaside Spectacular All Breed Dog Show was held at the Fairgrounds. These are a few of the adorable dogs that showed their stuff.

News & Notes

Coffee with a Cop

Continued from page 1
 hosting such events; Coffee with a Cop is a nationwide initiative supported by the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, with similar events being held all across the country. As a whole, the program aims to advance the practice of community policing by improving the overall relationships between police officers and community members.

Corporal Al Gomez, who has been with the Ventura Police Department for 17 years, is a long-time proponent of bridging the divide between citizens and police officers. And five years ago, he helped organize Curbside Coffee and Chat, which sends school resource officers to every elementary and middle school throughout the Ventura Unified School District. Though he no longer supervises the program, Gomez underscored the continued importance of facilitating positive police-community relations: "Events like Curbside Coffee and Chat or Coffee with a Cop provide avenues for us to talk to the community and show them that we care and want to help them with whatever problems they have. Sometimes it may not seem that way, but ultimately that's our goal."

Because the majority of contacts between the police and the public occur during emergencies or high-stress situations, opportunities to establish rapport, ask questions, or simply learn more about the department's services, are often limited. "Unfortunately, most people in the community only see us when they

are involved with a minor crime or are victims of some kind," said Officer Trenner Marchetti. "The reality is that we are usually there because we have to be, not because we or anyone else wants us to be. Coffee with a Cop creates a low-stress environment for us, as officers, to be able to get to know the community and show them that there's a different side to us." Marchetti has been with the VPD for 12 years and is currently working as a part of the Major Crimes Unit.

Several community members present cited increased approachability as a primary reason to attend Coffee with a Cop. "It takes a little bit of the fear out of meeting with police officers," said Myriah Gonzales, outreach coordinator with the Coalition for Family Harmony and crisis advocate at California State University, Channel Islands. "They're carrying guns, they have the uniforms on, and that's often scary to people. So to meet them in a casual place—and be able to put faces and names to people that might be helping them—that's the importance for the community."

Emily Wisma, herself an aspiring police officer, lamented current public opinion of the police: "Police officers are peace officers," she said. "They're here to help us and to keep the community safe. And I think a lot of them really need us to understand that right now because they're being portrayed so negatively in the media. They're here for our safety, not to beat us or arrest us."

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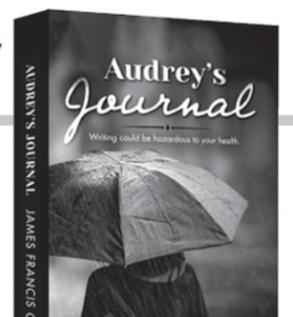
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The Ventura Parkinson's Support Group is delighted to be hosting Jocelyn Scherr, Associate Director, Advancement, of the Michael J. Fox Foundation For Parkinson's Research on Wednesday, July 12, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Jocelyn will present an overview of the Michael J. Fox Foundation, an update on some promising Parkinson's Disease Research in the pipeline, an update on the latest legislation passed that impacts the lives of people with Parkinson's Disease,

priority areas for Parkinson's policy work and information on how people can get involved through "Fox Trial Finder" and "Fox Insight".

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it." (michaeljfox.org)

Thanks to the generosity of the Lexington Assisted for donating space the Ventura Parkinson's Disease Support Group is able to have meetings every second Wednesday of each month from 1-3pm on the 3rd floor of the Lexington Assisted Living; 5440 Ralston St.

Please check in at the front desk for

directions and sign-in at the meeting. Extra parking is graciously available across the street from the Lexington in the Baptist Church parking lot. Call Patty at 766-6070 for further information. Reservations are not required. They are an independent and volunteer-organized group not affiliated with or a part of any other organization or group

Person to Person

by Jennifer Tipton

What type of housing do you think Ventura needs - affordable or executive?



Connie Colloizo
age 51 Office manager for Dr. Faulstich D.D.S.

"Affordable housing! Prices are going up and that way everyone can afford their own home."



Sally Campbell
age 68 Business owner at Spa Warehouse

"I think we need more executive type beach houses or apartments. Ventura is known for all the upscale restaurants, attractions and (of course) the beautiful beaches - perhaps people from the movie industry or young dynamic executive families would move here."



Jessica McGuire
age 27 Does billing for The Trade Desk

"I don't think Ventura needs either, I think we have plenty of both. I don't qualify for low income and yet I don't make enough to own an executive home - what about the middle class?"



Louie Luna age 60 Truckdriver

"I'd say the majority of people would say affordable housing, but I think they should still offer executive (expensive) homes. There is a difference between affordable and low-income housing. I think it's a balance and I don't think Ventura meets the balance."



Bon Wakam age 58 Business Broker

"I think we need both, but to attract a lot of big companies we need to have housing for the executives to live in and there is more of a shortage of executive housing."



Dennis Stevenson age 61 Construction Contractor

"They both have merit - low income housing allows more people to get into the housing market, but executive housing would bring wealthier people and with them they would bring commerce and jobs"





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.

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Prowling, evading arrest, petty theft, and possession of paraphernalia

On June 20, at approximately 9:15pm, an alert citizen called the Ventura Police Department to report a suspicious person possibly casing a house in the neighborhood. The suspect, later identified as 25 year old Venture resident Joe Osuna, had parked a bike in front of a residence and then walked around the side of the house. Officers arrived on scene as Osuna was returning to his bike and attempted to contact him. Osuna ran away from the officers but was apprehended after a short foot pursuit onto the beach. Osuna was found to be in possession of illegal drug paraphernalia, as well as a lawn ornament that had been stolen from the victim residence.

Osuna was arrested and will be booked at the Ventura County Jail for prowling, evading arrest, petty theft, and possession of paraphernalia.

Residential Burglary, Possession of Stolen Property, and Conspiracy Arrests

On June 21, at approximately 4:40am, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call from an alarm company reporting a residential alarm being activated in the 6000 block of Loma Vista Rd. Relaying information through the alarm company's dispatch, the homeowner reported that someone had broken into the residence and fled on foot after taking property. One of the items taken was a cellphone.

Officers responded to the scene and contacted the victim homeowner. Additional officers began checking the area. While checking the area officers contacted a subject, later identified as 25 year old Oxnard resident Jesus Flores, who was found walking several blocks away from the location of the burglary.

In addition, another officer found a suspicious parked vehicle on another nearby street. At the time, this vehicle was not connected to Flores, although appeared to have contained stolen property inside.

As residents began waking up, several more crimes including additional thefts from vehicles and a burglary to a shed were being reported by residents throughout the same neighborhood. Suspecting the suspicious parked vehicle was somehow involved, additional officers responded to watch the vehicle.

Approximately 1 hour after the original residential burglary was reported on Loma Vista Rd., officers observed a subject, later identified as 28 year old Oxnard resident Gregorio Solorio, enter the vehicle and leave. A patrol officer conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle.

When officers searched Solorio, he was found to be in possession of the cellphone stolen from the earlier residential burglary. A large amount of stolen property was also found during a search of the vehicle. Officers were able to determine Solorio and Flores were involved in the crimes. Both were taken into custody.

Street Crimes Detectives assisted in the investigation and based on information they were able to obtain, later conducted a search warrant of a residence in Oxnard. During the search of the residence, numerous stolen items were found and recovered. A third suspect, later identified as 28 year old Oxnard resident Rudy Ramirez, was arrested at the residence.

At the conclusion of the investigation, it was determined Solorio, Flores and Ramirez were responsible for committing approximately 10 residential burglaries throughout the city of Ventura over a 3 month period.

Prowling, Resisting Arrest and Unlawful Entry Arrest

On June 25, at approximately 12:30am, the Ventura Police Department Communications Center received a call from a resident in the 700 Blk of Saratoga Ave regarding a suspicious male subject seen in their backyard. Officers responded to the area, but were unable to locate the subject. As the officers were in the neighborhood looking for the subject, they saw a male, later identified as 43 year old Ryan Burchell running down Vernon St. Officers told Burchell to stop, but he refused and ran into a neighbor's backyard.

Additional officers responded and surrounded the neighborhood in an attempt to locate Burchell. Burchell jumped into several neighbors' yards and then opened the backdoor to a residence. The resident confronted the Burchell as he was standing in the rear doorway. Burchell then ran towards the front of the residence where officers confronted Burchell and took him into custody without further incident.

Burchell was identified as the subject in the backyard of the house on Saratoga Ave. Burchell is on active parole and was ultimately arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for prowling, resisting arrest, unlawful entry of an occupied dwelling and a parole violation.



Armed Bank Robbery

On June 30, at 2:09pm, the Ventura Police Command Center received a call from an alarm company reporting a robbery alarm being activated at Rabobank, 1171 S. Victoria Ave. Shortly after the call, an employee of the bank called 911 and confirmed that a robbery did in fact occur. Upon arrival of the officers, they determined the suspect had already fled the bank and was last seen leaving the area on a small BMX style bicycle, westbound through the shopping center. Hispanic male, 30's, wearing a white construction type hardhat, bright fluorescent yellow vest and black pants.

During the investigation officers learned the suspect entered the bank and approached one of the open teller windows. At the counter, the suspect produced a black semi-automatic handgun from inside a large envelope he was holding and demanded money from the clerk.

The clerk gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of money, and he fled the bank.

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"The Who" tribute band
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These tribute bandsmen not only resemble Townshend, Daltry, Entwistle and Moon but deliver the full "See Me, Feel Me" power and energy experience of being at a real Who concert.
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On Thursday, June 22nd, tens of thousands of kids and adults at aquatic facilities around the world met for the eighth year in a row to set a new Guinness World Record™. The global record attempt for The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™ (WLSL) took place locally at the Ventura Family YMCA.

Swimming Lessons Save Lives™ is the primary message for this global event. Tragically, drowning remains the leading cause of unintended injury related death for children ages 1-4, and the second leading cause of accidental death for children under 14.

Since its inception, more than 195,000 children and adults have participated in WLSL lessons generating more than half a billion media impressions about the vital importance of learning to swim. Photos by Michael Gordon.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

1	3	8	4	9	2	7	6	5
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7	9	5	1	8	3	4	2	6
4	8	6	2	7	9	1	5	3

— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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By Pam Baumgardner
VenturaRocks.com

YAY!!! It's time for Surf Rodeo with two days of fun in the sun at the beach and featuring not only a surf competition, but cool bands playing on two stages over the weekend of July 15th and 16th. There will be tons of music featuring artists like Rey Fresco, Thee Commons, Stoneflies, 50 Sticks of Dynamite, Bird Brain, The Rouse, Honey Owl, Mariachi El Bronx, and Super Duper Kyle who will be performing on Sunday (he's been selling out shows in Chicago, Detroit, etc...). Be sure to swing by the VenturaRocks.com and Ventura Breeze booth on Seaward while you're out having fun and say hello!

You won't want to miss Women in the Round, "Voices", at the Bell Arts Factory on Saturday, July 15 with performances from Andrea Landin, Michelle Rosenblum (aka Melody Bird), Donna Lynn Caskey, Shelby Figueroa and Amber Bassett. Show starts at 7 and it would be awesome of you to make a donation at the door to support their efforts.

Throwing Oxnard some love, the Collection at River park is offering free summer concerts on Thursday nights beginning with Dirty Rice on July 6 followed by Led Zepagain on the 13th, and Southbound and Company on July 22.

Congratulations to Jan for opening her third restaurant (she also owns Prime here in Ventura), this one is right smack dab in the middle of downtown Ventura at 391 E. Main Street. She named it Casa Bella and will be providing live music three nights a week: Tuesdays with Adam Tunney and "Rat Pack" type music, Encore on Fridays with R&B Motown sound, and cool jazz on Saturdays with Ricky Williams. All music is expected to get underway by 7 pm.

If you're a TOOL fan, then you know the band just wrapped up a tour (yeah, no new album yet) which means drummer Danny Carey has some extra time on his hands so he'll be once again joining the Doug Webb Group at Squashed Grapes when they play on Saturday, July 8. Be sure to secure tickets at (805) 643-7300.

Quick notes: The Queens of the Stone Age concert at the Ventura Theater has been canceled, Kelly's Lot is opening for Junior Brown at the Canyon Club on July 9, Music Under the Stars kicks off their summer concert season July 15 at Olivas Adobe with WhosNext; Tim Curran and The Brambles will be at Beach House Tacos on the Ventura Pier, Sunday, July 16 4-7 pm; and finally the 2017 Ventura Music Festival kicks off their "An American Season" featuring 23 performances this year

including Perla Batalla's tribute to Leonard Cohen on Friday, July 21, and Simply Three on Saturday July 22 at Ventura College Performing Arts Center, all of their events and ticket information can be found at VenturaMusicFestival.org.

Do you have any music-related news or upcoming shows you want help publicizing? Please 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

Sundays: 9 pm Karaoke

Mondays: 6 pm Karen Eden & Bill Macpherson; 9 pm Musician's Night Out

Tuesdays: Open Mic

Wed 7/5: Smokey & Friends

Beach House Tacos

Ventura Pier

Sun 7/16: 4 pm Tim Curran, The Brambles

Bell Arts Factory

432 N. Ventura Avenue

Sat 7/15: Amber Bassett, Donna Lynn Caskey, Shelby Figueroa, Andrea Landin, Michelle Rosenblum

Bombay Bar & Grill

143 S. California Street

Fridays: DJs; Karaoke

Saturdays DJs

Casa Bella

391 E. Main Street

(805) 340-1119

Music starts 7 pm

Tuesdays: Adam Tunney

Fridays: Encore

Saturday: Ricky Williams

Cask Alexhouse

5952 Telegraph Road

(805) 765-4201

Thurs 7/6: The Swillys

Sun 7/9: Miranda & Tia

Sun 7/16: Doc Ventura

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

Week nights 7 pm; Sundays 3 pm

Tuesdays: Down Home Trio

Fridays: Havana Cinco

Sun 7/9: Havana Cinco

Sat 7/15: Havana Cinco

Discovery

1888 Thompson Blvd

Late Fridays 10 pm: Flashback

Fridays

Late Saturdays 10 pm: Disco Bowl

Thurs 7/6: Layover

Fri 7/7: Slaves Against the Machine

Sat 7/8: Red Not Chili Peppers
Fri 7/14: Victimas Del Dr. Cerebro, Marujah, Venum Rush, Decibel

El Rey Cantina

294 E. Main Street

Fridays: 4 pm Xoco Moraza and Friends

Saturdays: 9:30 DJ Erock

Gigi's Cocktails

2493 Grand Avenue

(805) 642-2411

Thurs, Fri & Sat: Karaoke

Golden China

760 S. Seaward

(805) 652-0688

Karaoke seven nights a week 9 pm

Tuesdays 7 pm: Open Mic

Grapes and Hops

454 E. Main Street

Fri 7/7: Dallas Hodge

Sat 7/8: Shawn Jones

Fri 7/14: Tex Pistols

The Greek Mediterranean

Fri & Sats 7:30 pm

Belly Dancing, Greek music and show

Hong Kong Inn

435 E. Thompson Blvd

Mondays: Karaoke

Thursdays: Gypsy Blues Band

Fri 7/7: Hi Hat Entertainment

presents The Mighty Mojo Prophets

Sat 7/8: The Brian Faith Band

Sun 7/9: Del Franklin & Friends

Fri 7/14: Hi Hat Entertainment

presents: Paulie Cerra

Keynote Lounge

10245 Telephone Road

Tuesday and Wednesday: Karaoke

Thursday: Open Mic

Sunday: Karaoke

Fri 7/7: Strange Weather

Sat 7/8: Caliente Band 805

Fri 7/14: Pull the Trigger

Sat 7/15: Loose Cannons

Leashless Brewing

Corner of Thompson & Chestnut

Grand Opening Party

Sat 7/8: 4:30 pm The Expanders

O'Leary's

6555 Telephone Road

Tuesdays: Free Jukebox

Wednesdays: Karaoke

Olivas Adobe

4200 Olivas Park Drive

Thurs 7/13: Ventura Music Festival

presents John Jorgenson Bluegrass

Band

Sat 7/15: Music Under the Stars:

WhosNext

Paddy's

2 W. Main Street

Wednesdays: Karaoke

Fri & Sat: DJs

Pierpont Inn

550 San Jon Road

Fri 7/14: Ventura Music Festival

presents Tea & Trumpets Festival

Brass Quintet

Plan B Winery

3520 Arundell Circle

Sun 7/9: 4:30 Unusual Suspects

Prime

2209 E. Thompson Blvd

Tuesdays: Danny D

Fridays: Mike Moody

Saturdays: Jessica Ash

Red Cove

1809 E. Main Street

Thursdays: Music Club Open Jam

Night

Rookees Sports Bar & Grill

419 E. Main Street

(805) 648-6862

Fri and Sat: Rotating DJs

Saloon BBQ

456 E. Main Street

Fri 7/7: Anchor & Bear

Sat 7/8: Sin Chonies

Fri 7/14: The Inside Break

Sat 7/15: The Black Hips

Sandbox Coffeehouse

204 E. Thompson Blvd

805-641-1025

Thurs 6 pm, Weekends noon

Thursdays Open Mic

Sat 7/8: Bruce Mancuso

Sat 7/15: Thomas Hopkins & Guest

Sun 7/16: Patrick Gillham Band

Sans Souci

21 S. Chestnut

Sundays: DJ Darko

Mondays: Karaoke

Tuesdays: Transform Tuesdays w/ DJ

Wednesdays: Open mic

Thursdays: DJ Spinobi

Fri 7/7: DJ Pistolero

Sat 7/8: Big Rig Dollhouse

Fri 7/14: Hubcap Stealers

Sat 7/15: DJ Pistolero

Squashed Grapes

2351 E. Main St.

805-643-7300

Live jazz music 7-10 pm

Wed 7/5: Brad Dutz, Bruce Lett,

Jasper Dutz & Chris Fishman

Thurs 7/6: Bill Banister's Blue Dog

Project

Fri 7/7: Jazz Express

Sat 7/8: Doug Webb Group featuring

Danny Carey of TOOL

Wed 7/12: Meridian Trio

Fri 7/14: Brad Rabuchin & Friends

Star Lounge

343 E. Main Street

Tues: Karaoke

Thurs 7/6: DJ Nolan Trovble

Fri 7/7: Big Adventure

Sat 7/8: Johnny Hawthorn Band

Fri 7/14: The Automatics

Sat 7/15: Shawn Jones

Sun 7/16: Rebel Shake Down

Surf Brewery

4561 Market Street

Music 6-8 pm

Sat 7/8: Catterwailers

Surf Rodeo

Pierpont and Seaward

at Beach

Sat 7/15: Mariachi El Bronx,

Tijuana Panthers, Raging Arb &

the Redheads, The Rouse, Velveten

Band, Honey Owl, Bird Brain, Herbal

Rootz, more...

Sun 7/16: Super Duper Kyle, The Ag-

grolites, Rey Fresco, Thee Commons,

Aunt Jane's Pancakes, Highway Starr,

Vonettes, Ashe Blanco, more...

The Tavern

211 E. Santa Clara Street

(805) 643-3264

Sundays: DJ Steezy Steve

Metal Wednesdays

Get it Right Thursday DJs

Wed 3/5: Disrupted, Euphoria

Ventura College Performing Arts

Center

4700 Loma Vista Road

Ventura Music Festival events

Fri 7/14: Roger Kellaway

Sat 7/15: Anderson & Roe Piano Duo

Sun 7/16: Nuvi Mehta & Friends

The Wine Rack (Ventura)

14 S. California Street

(805) 653-9463

Thurs 7/6: Scott Avendano

Fri 7/7: Jason Ho

Sat 7/8: Medicine Hat

Sun 7/9: Juanita

Fri 7/14: Jason "Gordo" Gordon

Sat 7/15: James Broz

Sun 7/16: Jason Ho

The 805 Bar

Ventura Harbor

Music at noon Sat & Sun

with Kenny Devoe

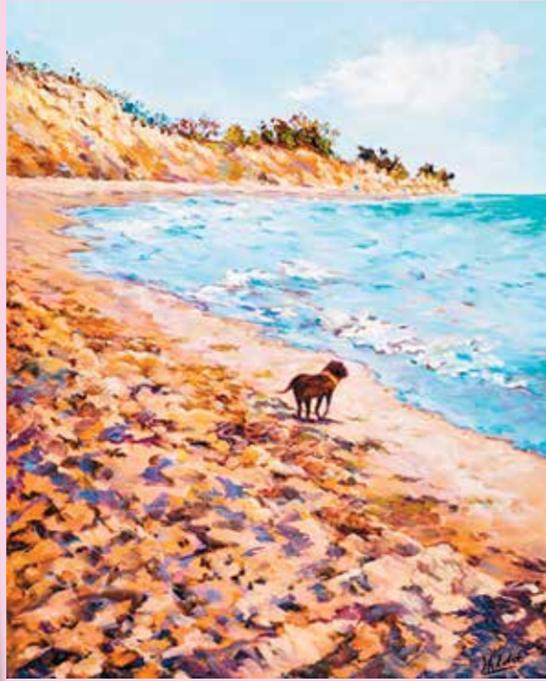


Dab Art is pleased to present *Circumstantial Evidence*, a solo exhibition by artist **Jane Peterson** at NAMBA Arts Space in Downtown Ventura (47 S. Oak St.) with an opening reception on Saturday July 15, 6 - 9pm.

In this body of work, Peterson continues to explore the spectrum of human emotion, adopting a "forensic" approach to her subject matter. Each piece contains the elements of a story; objects in context with an environment. Clues are there in terms of shape, smell, and texture.

Peterson aims to create a new form of realism where narrative truth is found in the simple relationships of objects. Her deceptively simple imagery and textual juxtapositions convey the temporal coexistence of these objects in both the real and the imagined world.

Jane Peterson earned her M.F.A. from the University of Iowa, and has shown extensively in galleries in New York City, as well as Northern and Southern California. She works from her studio located at H Gallery + Studios in Midtown Ventura.



Hilda Kilpatrick Art Show at D A Davidson & Co.

60 S. California Street, Suite 301 (3rd floor above Lure Restaurant)

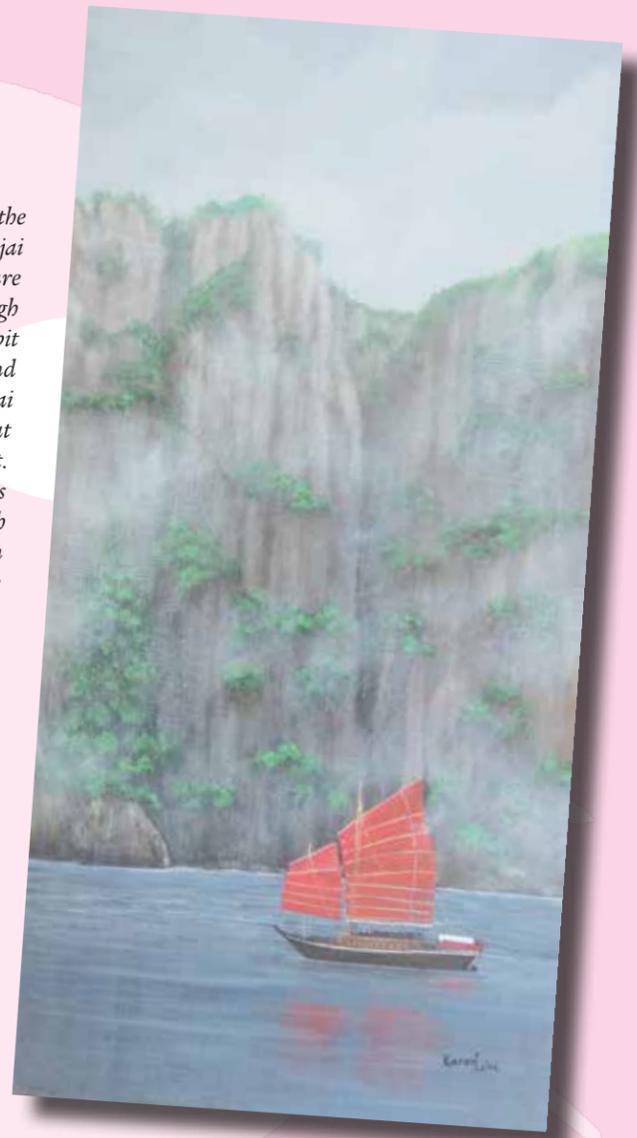
Show runs until September 28. Artist Reception: Saturday, July 15, 6-8 pm

Hours open for viewing: Monday - Friday 8:30 am-4 pm

"The inspiration in my subject matter derives from the notion that the scenery may be drastically different in a few years, or gone altogether. Environmental changes,

overpopulation, urban growth are but a few factors that attract me to capture the current landscape." <https://www.hildakilpatrick.com/contact/>

Karen Wu will be the featured artist in the Ojai Art Center's "Signature Gallery" from through August 2nd. The exhibit includes ocean and river scenes. The Ojai Art Center is located at 113 S. Montgomery St. in Ojai and the hours are Tuesday through Sunday from noon until 4 p.m. There will be a reception on Saturday, July 8th from 1 - 3 p.m.



Animal artist **Mary-Joe Murphy** was at the Harbor Village Gallery on June 25 celebrating their first year at this Harbor location. The gallery is part of the Buenaventura Art Association and features the wonderful art of local artists. They are located in Suite 106 in the Ventura Harbor at 644-2750. To see more of Mary-Joe's art visit mary-jomurphy.com.



Kids N' Canvas classes scheduled for July 21, 4pm to 5:30pm and August 13, 3pm to 4:30pm at the VC Arts Collective Studio Pacific View Mall second floor, next to Sears. Taught by Lorrie Milton.

Enjoy summer fun with a Kid's sized step by step "Painting Party." Class price includes all instruction by an experienced artist and Kids get to take home their 16 x 20 Painting.

Ages 6 - 16. Cost is \$25 per student.

Every Saturday at 11am to 12pm, there is a kid's class for 6 years old to 8-years-old brings something different. It can be color theory, drawing techniques, collaging, painting, doing pastels, watercolors or acrylics.

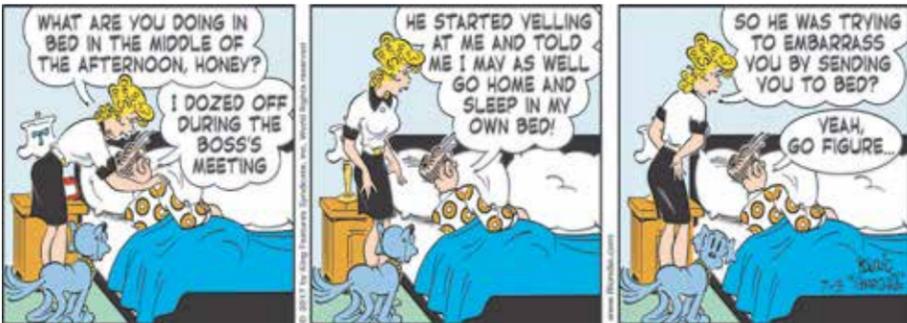
Pastel class scheduled for July 16th 1pm-4pm. Tasia Erickson is a great teacher too. Cost is \$57.00 including materials. Email vcartscollective@gmail.com or call 676-1540 to reserve a spot.

Lighter Breeze

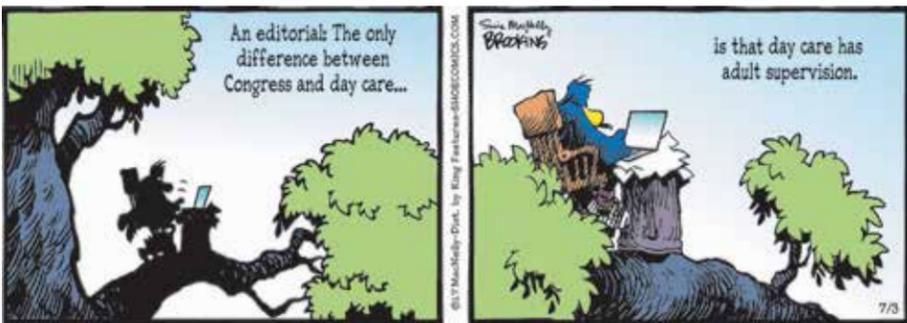
Pros and Cons



Blondie



Shoe



Crock



Hi and Lois



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith



Solutions on page 19

(For a beginners guide to playing Sudoku go to venturabreeze.com)

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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
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

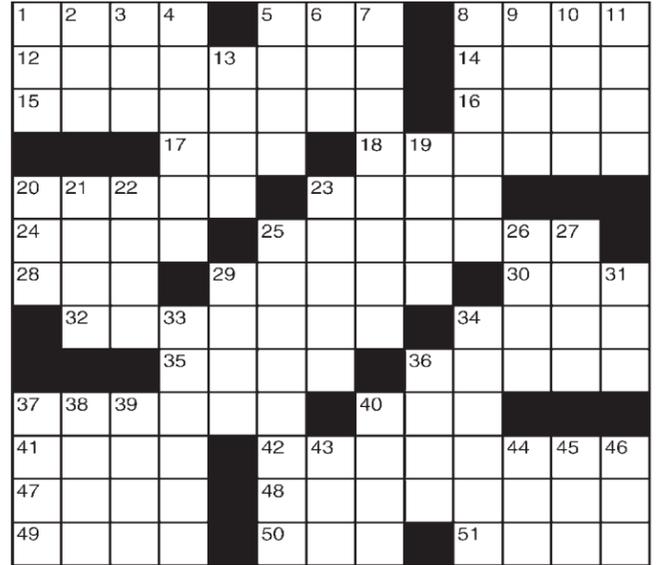
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Solutions on page 19

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 One of the Three Bears
- 5 Unhappy
- 8 Stare
- 12 Exhibit "A," e.g.
- 14 Figure-skating leap
- 15 Give a home a makeover
- 16 Actress Sorvino
- 17 18-wheeler
- 18 Toxin
- 20 Support for a painting
- 23 Plant with fronds
- 24 Small salamanders
- 25 Went back on a promise
- 28 Put (down)
- 29 Partners
- 30 Churchill's gesture
- 32 Changed the title
- 34 Tempo
- 35 Matterhorn's range
- 36 Bamboo-eating critter
- 37 Nervous system disorder
- 40 Relatives
- 41 Frau's mister
- 42 Hertz deal
- 47 Too
- 48 Geometric



- figure
- rotation
- 31 Greek vowel
- 49 Farm implement
- 10 Nil
- 33 Not wide
- 11 Verve
- 34 One of the bunch?
- 50 Collection
- 13 Satan's specialty
- 36 Pocket bread
- 51 Isn't well
- 19 Raw minerals
- 37 Fellow
- 20 Moray, for one
- 38 War, to Gen. Sherman
- 21 In the distance
- 39 Approximately
- 22 Eyelid woe
- 40 Make a sweater
- 23 Big parties
- 43 Before
- 25 "O'er the — we watched ..."
- 44 Hollywood trickery, for short
- 26 Divisible by two
- 45 The whole enchilada
- 27 Out of play
- 46 In medias —
- 29 Masculine

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you've put off all this time. **LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You might well feel uneasy as you face a difficult situation involving someone close to you. But you know you're doing the right thing, so stick with your decision.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You clever Ewes and Rams love nothing more than to rise to a challenge. So, by all means, if you feel sure about your facts, step right up and defend your side of the issue.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You're a good friend to others. Now is the time to allow them to be good friends to you. Rely on their trusted advice to help you get through an uncertain period.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You've done some great work recently. Now it's time to reward yourself with something wonderful, perhaps a day at a spa or a night out with someone very special.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Family and friends are always important, but especially so at this time. Despite your hectic workplace schedule, make a real effort to include them in your life.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You love to talk, but don't forget to make time to do a little more listening, otherwise you could miss out on an important message someone might be trying to send you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) That project you've been working on is almost ready for presentation. But you still need some information from a colleague before you can consider it done.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspect indicates some uncertainty about one of your goals. Use this period of shifting attitudes to reassess what you really want and what you're ready to do to get it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't let those negative attitudes that have sprung up around you drain your energies. Shrug them off, and move ahead with the confidence that you can get the job done.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your social life is picking up, and you'll soon be mingling with old friends and making new ones. But 'twixt the fun times, stay on top of changing workplace conditions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Aspects favor some dedicated fun time for the hardworking Piscean. A nice, refreshing plunge into the social swim can recharge your physical and emotional batteries.

VIRGO (August 23 September 22) A trusted friend offers understanding as you vent some long-pent-up feelings. Now, move on from there and start making the changes

BORN THIS WEEK: You love to travel and be with people. You probably would be happy as a social director on a cruise ship.

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Show Time

Baby Driver



Breeze rating from 1 to 4 palm trees, 4 being best.

by Manuel Reynoso

Baby Driver is a 2017 action film written and directed by Edgar Wright, starring Ansel Elgort, Kevin Spacey, Lily James, Jon Bernthal, Eiza González, Jon Hamm and Jamie Foxx

Forced to a getaway drive to repay his debt, Baby finds that it takes a lot more than a fast car to escape the pull of the criminal world.

I don't think anyone's ever thought to themselves "Boy, I sure hope someone makes a musical crime thriller." But I assure you, *Baby Driver* is the musical crime thriller we all needed but certainly do not deserve. *Baby Driver* oozes style. Top notch cinematography, amazing editing, and some of the smoothest dialogue I have ever witnessed, Edgar Wright absolutely hit it out of the park. I can feel my fingertips wanting to gush all over the keyboard, but I'm going to reel it back and go into why *Baby Driver* might be in my personal top 10 films list.

My raw enjoyment level during the film almost never dropped below an 11. Seeing Baby whip nondescript cars into a Rockford spin, all to the beat of Brighton Rock, was just one example of the many rushes in *Baby Driver*. Nearly the entire film is choreographed to the music that Baby is currently listening to. From Barry White to Queen, the soundtrack to *Baby Driver* doesn't just serve as a music bed to compliment the action, but even helps to flesh out Baby as a more nuanced character. Eventually the music bed feels so integral to the film, you get this premonition on where the action is going to go. You can feel the flow of the action as your mind follows every beat of the music.

On que, every cut is perfectly in sync with the music of the film. Despite the hectic pace of some scenes, using the music and editing as a guide, you'll never find yourself lost in the action. Not once did I think to myself, "wait, what happened? Where am I?" This isn't just a testament to the choreography, but to the editing prowess of Jonathan Amos and Paul Machliss. The camera work and lighting was equally as amazing as well. Bill Pope's mix between snappy jump cuts and long takes gave the viewing experience almost a texture. Now I'm sure by this point you would expect me to stop making references to music, but the dialogue has to be the best piece of music in this entire film.

First let me explain. The written word is music. You vary the tone and length; you create rhythm and beats. Tension, Action, Horror: how you choose to write a line, what you leave in, or what you take out. This is where the music in words can be found. So when I hear dialogue, I hear its flow, its beat, and its rhythm. You can have a great story, but with flat dialogue. However, Edgar Wright went so much further than giving each character their own personalities. He gave them their own rhythm; He gave them their own music. Kevin Spacey and Jamie Foxx's acting prowess really shone through when you hear them deliver each line. Each character spoke to the beat of their own

drum, and they felt so much more alive.

Man, I liked this movie. Like, really liked this movie. It's not perfect, and I have my criticisms, but the feeling of passion and care that went into this film just makes these small issues fade away. I can't recommend it enough, see *Baby Driver* in theaters and enjoy the ride. Rated R 1h 53m

A View from House Seats

Suspense fuels *The Birds* at SPTC

by Shirley Lorraine

The sound of furiously flapping wings permeated the theater as the lights dimmed. Feeling appropriately claustrophobic, brief flashbacks of the classic Alfred Hitchcock film flew through my mind as I awaited the Santa Paula Theater Center's production of *The Birds* by Conor McPherson, adapted from the story by Daphne DuMaurier.

McPherson's stage play focuses on just part of the story using a technique of short scenes punctuated by inner narrative by a key character, mysterious music and the ever-present sound of birds hitting the windows in what can be described as nature exploding with rage. No one knows why the birds have gone crazy and caused mass havoc, only that their attacks seem to follow the high-tides. Protecting one's own self from the onslaught becomes a physical as well as emotional competition leaving no clear winner. The single interior setting provides a feeling of tentative safety for both the actors and the audience. Until it doesn't.

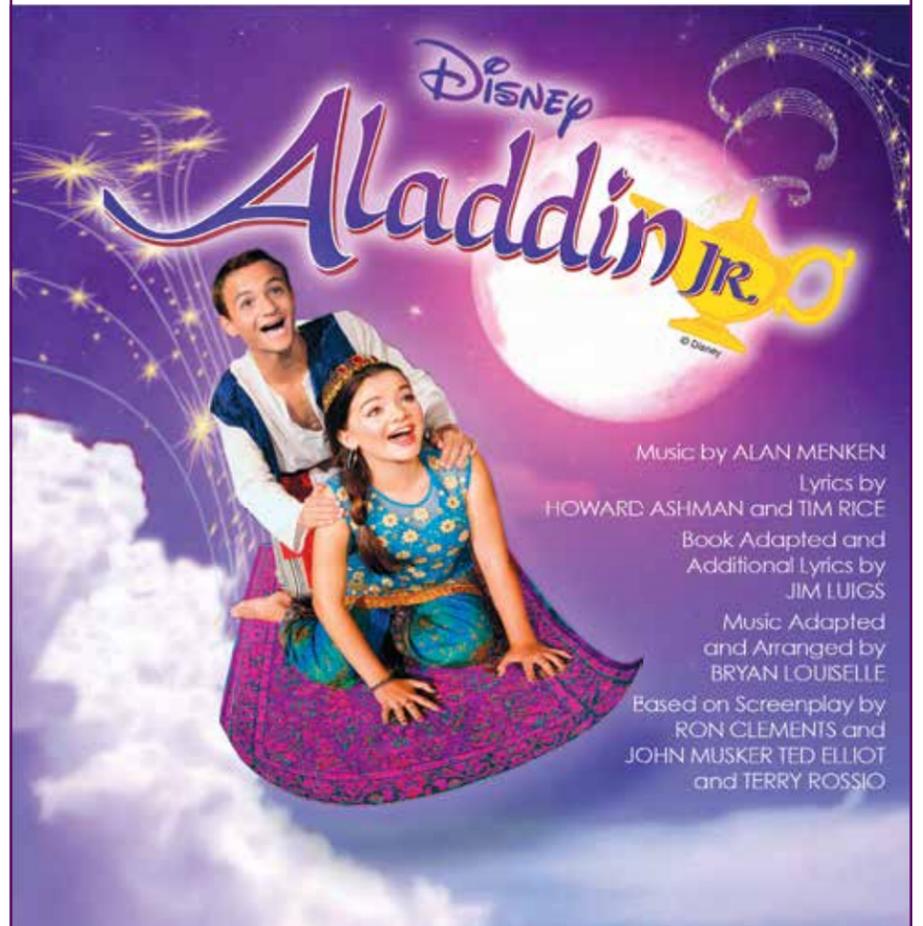
In watching this intense psychological thriller, one must first discard any memories of the Hitchcock film. Watch instead the smoothly chilling performances by Taylor Kasch, Kathleen Boswell, Juliana Acosta and Allen Noel as they tread across the mine-field of emotions each brings to the party.

The initial relationship which brought two strangers (Kasch and Boswell) to be taking refuge in an empty house is complicated and incomplete. Just as they are coming to terms with their seemingly inevitable mortality, a third person (Acosta) enters the scene, causing the dynamics to shift. They are wary of the man across the lake (Noel) who provides a brief and thoroughly intimidating appearance colored by his own survival agenda. The fact that they are each expendable heightens the action.

The play is performed without an intermission to break the tension which builds in what I found to be a slowly-paced choppy sequence of insights and vague references. Perhaps it was just me, but I found myself struggling to understand what was happening beyond the obvious. And there apparently was a lot going on with all the characters, either unspoken or assumed, which I just didn't get from the script itself. Acosta's character in particular took a while to gel for me as she seemed to fluctuate between childlike innocence and conniving maturity, sometimes within the same sentence. She often spoke quickly and with low tone so I had some difficulty hearing her sometimes.

Don't get me wrong. The performances are solid and unnerving. However, do not compare this version to the movie taken from the same tale. Treated as a short story piece standing on its own merit, the staged *The Birds* is a taut thriller capturing a snapshot of a disastrous time, albeit with

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Attorney John Andersen appointed to executive committee

Attorney John Andersen, a partner with the law firm Ferguson Case Orr Paterson, has been appointed to the executive committee of the Trusts and Estates Section of the State Bar of California, commonly referred to as TEXCOM. Anderson is a certified specialist in estate planning, trust and probate law by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization. His appointment to the committee will take effect in September 2017 and will run through 2020.

Andersen holds a bachelor's degree in history from UCLA and law degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law.



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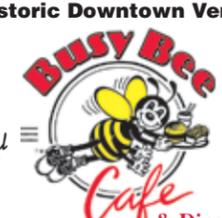
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LGBTQ community resource center

The dream of a community resource center here in Ventura County serving the LGBTQ community is no longer a dream but a reality. After years of hard work, DCVC (Diversity Collective Ventura County) with community partners found a 4200 square foot location in the industrial area of Ventura at 2471 Portola Road. The facility is easily accessible from the 101 freeway with public transportation nearby. It features confidential office space, a large

community room, large conference room, a kitchenette, and a large suite for programs.

Diversity Collective took occupancy of the building June 1st and relocated their offices. The first of the partners to move in was the Free 2 Be Me Foundation which provides transgender and non-binary services here in the county. Rainbow Umbrella which provides youth services and support and HOPE Counseling Center also moved in on July 1st.

Diversity Collective will launch its HIV-AIDS Education and Prevention Program in partnership with the County mid-July.

Join them on August 3rd for a grand opening and ribbon cutting with the Ventura Chamber of Commerce. Free appetizers and bubbly will be provided.