# Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura Grand Opening of next phase of Westview Village

Housing Complex is largest in the City of Ventura and Furthers the Vision for the Entire Westview Village Development

The Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura (HACSB) and nonprofit BRIDGE Housing hosted the Grand Opening of Westview Village II, a 50-unit affordable rental development which broke ground in the spring of 2022.

The Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura and BRIDGE Housing partnered to redevelop Westview Village, the HACSB's oldest public housing development, over four phases of development. All residents pay 30% of their income as rent.

"The timing of this next phase of Westview Village is significant as it is our 75th Anniversary year and this was our first public housing project," said Jeffrey Lambert, Chief Executive Officer, HACSB. "The success of this particular project is emblematic of our successful housing programs across the City and we are very proud of it," said Lambert.

Westview Village Phase II replaced 10 public housing units with 50 modern one- and two-bedroom apartments. The property is located on a 2-acre site on the Westside of Ventura. The development includes 44 one-bedroom and six two-bedroom apartments. Five of the units will be reserved for persons who are experiencing homelessness.

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# X Games Ventura Brings Opportunities for Local Businesses

Summer Event Spurs Community Involvement and Economic Growth



Photo by Michael Gordon

Visit Ventura, a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing visitor expenditures, tourism revenues, and local employment through promoting Ventura as a travel destination, has announced that this year's X Games will celebrate Ventura even more than last year. Multiple local businesses, vendors, and contractors will participate in the world's leading action sports competition. This year's X Games Ventura event takes place from Friday, June 28, 2024, to Sunday, June 30, 2024, at the Ventura County Fairgrounds.

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# Community Memorial Hospital Awards Scholarships to Student Volunteers

Three outstanding high school graduates were the 2024 recipients of scholarship awards given by the Community Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Each of the students had contributed more than 160 volunteer hours in the Critical Care Unit of the hospital and will continue their education in the medical field.

The Maria Cavallo Scholarship was awarded to both Peter Nguyen and Leo Pankratz. Peter Nguyen graduated from Buena High School where he maintained a 4.55 weighted GPA. High school activities included CSF, Buena Science League, Key Club treasurer, tennis team,

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**Left to right:** Marilyn Beal, junior coordinator, Linda Petit, Auxiliary president, Peter Nguyen, Leo Pankratz, Olivia Mowad, and Mick Zdeblick, CEO of CMH.





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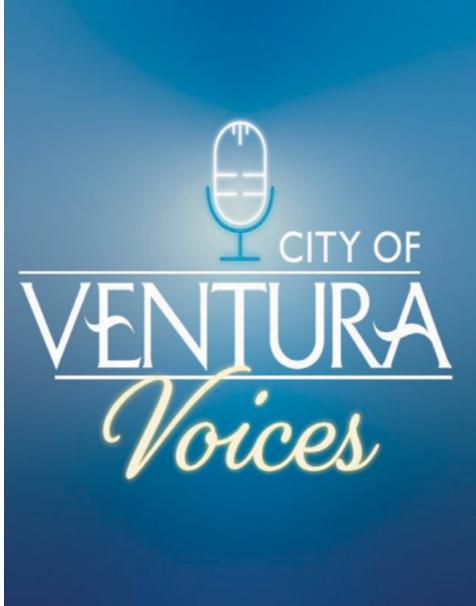


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Opinion is the medium between knowledge and ignorance.

– Plato

# City News



# City releases third episode of Ventura Voices Podcast, featuring full details on X Games Ventura

The City of Ventura released the third episode of its new podcast, Ventura Voices. The latest episode features an in-depth interview with Ventura's Economic Development Manager, Meredith Hart, and Visit Ventura's President and CEO, Marlyss Auster. Community members can listen to the episode on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and Amazon Music, or watch it on the City's YouTube channel.

In this episode, Meredith and Marlyss are enthusiastic about returning the X Games to Ventura for a second consecutive year. They discuss the significant economic benefits this event brings to the community and highlight new features of the 2024 event, including an expanded event floor plan, musical performances, new sporting events, drone shows, a free shuttle and parking sites, plus a variety of free community events throughout Ventura.

"It was exciting to give an inside look at what it takes to host one of the most thrilling sports events in the world right here in Ventura and what's new this year with X Games Ventura," said Meredith Hart, Ventura's Economic Development Manager. "Hosting the X Games requires a true team effort, and we are proud to partner with Visit Ventura and other local organizations to ensure a successful event that benefits our local businesses and community members."

Episode three of Ventura Voices also underscores the significant

economic impact of the event, drawing visitors and offering opportunities to support local shops, restaurants, and service providers.

Last year's X Games event drew 52,000 attendees, generating approximately \$6.4 million for Ventura County's economy, with \$5 million spent in Ventura. The event staff contributed significantly, accounting for more than 2,700 hotel nights and over \$900,000 in hotel spending. More participants are expected this year, with plans for 5,100 hotel nights.

Tune in to learn more and receive a special discount code for listeners. X Games Ventura returns to the Ventura County Fairgrounds from June 28-30, 2024.

To learn more, listen to featured episodes, or suggest ideas for future podcasts, visit Cityof Ventura. ca.gov/VenturaVoices.

# Neighborhood Community Councils

The City of Ventura has seven Neighborhood Community Councils and any resident, business owner or property owner can join their area group.

Top four reasons to get involved with your Neighborhood Community Council:

Connect with your neighbors Learn what's happening in your area Get updates and information from



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Participate in projects that make a difference in your neighborhood

#### Find Your Neighborhood Community Council

While the seven City Council districts don't perfectly align with the boundaries of the seven Neighborhood Community Councils, below is the general correlation, as well as meeting and website information for each:

- Westside Community Council Meetings are the 1st Wednesday of each month @ 6:30pm on Zoom
- Westside Community Council Downtown Ventura Partners Meetings are the 4th Thursday of each month @ 9:00 am
- Downtown Ventura Midtown Community Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursdays each month @ 7pm via Zoom
- Midtown Ventura
   College Area Community Council
   Meetings are the 4th Wednesday
   each month @ 7pm via Zoom
- College Area Community Council

East Ventura Community Council Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7pm on Zoom

- East Ventura Montalvo Community Council Public meetings are held quarterly on the 3rd Tuesday of February, May, August, and November @ 6:30pm
- Montalvo Community Council Pierpont Bay Community Council Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7pm on Zoom
- Pierpont Bay Community Council https://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/1129/Neighborhood-Community-Councils

# Mailbox

CELEBRATIONS AND SAFETY

Americans sport the red, white and blue in summer at parks, beaches, and ball games. Keep festivities fun and safe.

Notice the increase of DUI arrests in the last two years of the Fourth of July weekend: for 2022, the California Highway Patrol made 998 DUI arrests on the Fourth of July weekend. In 2023, ABC10 News in Sacramento reported 1,224 DUI arrests were made in California that weekend.

I am puzzled with the stats. Why can't drinkers learn to remain sober if driving? A drunken driver hit me when I was 16 in 1992. After 30-plus years I can walk okay, but my hearing is damaged, and I have a deep tone to my voice. My life changed personally, physically, and socially.

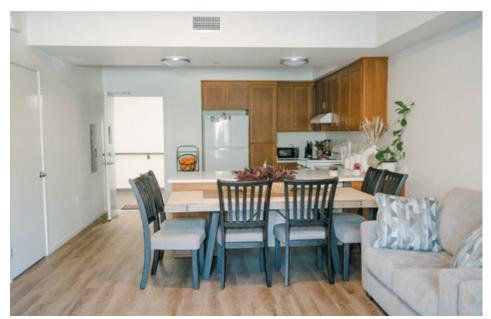
Taking Ventura Freeway to and from a gathering? Think before you drink. People will drink, but it is illegal if you drive drunk. Don't take chances: have a sober driver transport you if you had one too many. Save lives and your reputation: Don't drive drunk. Lori Martin

Tracy, California

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Pictured left to right: Jim Duran, Councilmember; Sandy Sanchez, Senior Developer; Mike Johnson, Councilmember; Jim White, Vice Chair; Jeffrey Lambert, Chief Executive Officer; Joe Schroeder, Mayor, Salud Carbajal, Congressman; John Polanskey, Board Chair; Sierra Atilano, Executive Vice President of Development, Bridge Housing; Katherine Simonson, Commissioner; Marcia Vega, HUD Regional Public Housing Director Region 9 & 10; Barbara Keller, Commissioner, Diana Sparagna, Commissioner.



Courtesy of Jessie Carmody

**Interior** of a Westview Village II resident's unit. .



Courtesy of Patricia Schallert.

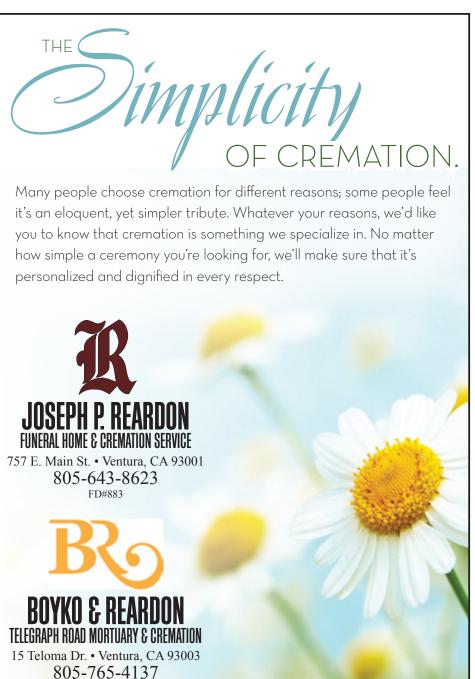
**Westview** Village II, a 50-unit affordable rental development.

#### **Housing Authority** Continued from page 1

Westview Village II will also include a state-of-the-art community center, a commercial kitchen, two early childhood development classrooms, multipurpose rooms, a rooftop community garden, and a public park. This will complete the third phase of the vision for the Westview Village redevelopment. There will be 286 new affordable rentals and this phase of development will be the hub for this new

housing campus. 50% of the Westview II units are fully accessible (mobility accessibility features), and 2 units have audio/ visual features for blind/deaf/hard of hearing tenants.

Westview Village I, completed in 2019, was the initial phase of the redevelopment which includes 131 apartments with one to four bedrooms, management offices, a community room, and a public park. Phase I is all electric and 50% net zero. It provides for greywater reuse in landscap-



ing. All residents pay 30% of their income as rent. All residents were temporarily relocated during construction and had the right to return. As part of Phase I, a new street, Village Way, was designed and built to connect all phases of the redevelopment.

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Westview Village III construction started in September 2020 and was completed in December 2022. Phase III includes 105 apartments with one to four bedrooms, a community room, and public park. Phase III is all electric and 100% net zero and makes a major contribution to addressing climate change including by reducing vehicle miles traveled. The project's storm drain system allows for the capture and infiltration of storm water. Twenty-one apartments are set aside for families who are experiencing homelessness.

units at this location were developed in two phases (100 units and 80 units), ten years apart in the 1952-1960s. This original development housed residents displaced from "Tortilla Flats," a neighborhood that consisted of working-class families who were displaced when the 101 Freeway expanded north from Los Angeles through Oxnard and Ventura. The original 180 units are being replaced with 320 units by the time Phase IV is completed.

The mission of the Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura is to provide and develop quality affordable housing for eligible low-income residents of Ventura County and to establish strong partnerships necessary for HACSB customers to achieve personal goals related to, literacy and education, health and wellness, and job training and employment leading to personal growth and economic self-sufficiency.

#### **Community Memorial Hospital** Continued from page 1

and Navy League Cadet Corps. He was named an AP Scholar, Buena's Platinum Renaissance, and was a Stanford University School of Medicine summer intern, and Port Hueneme's Naval Base Pre-Engineering intern. Peter will attend U.C. Berkeley in the fall, majoring in Bioengineering with the goal of becoming an anesthesiologist.

Leo Pankratz attended Foothill Technology High School and earned a 4.23 weighted GPA. He volunteered in the school's Wellness Center and in the medical tent for the Mountain 2 Beach Marathon, played baseball for 3 years, and was a memeber of HOSA, and president of NAMI. He was named a CSF-SS Scholar 2021-2023, and received the Ruby Award for more than 200 hours of community service. He worked for two summers at Historical Significance As the oldest Loma Vista Endocrinology, Inc. He will blic housing development, housing attend the University of Nevada at Reno majoring in Neuroscience and hopes to become a doctor.

> The Norma MacGregor Scholarship was awarded to Olivia Mowad of Foothill Technology High School. She achieved a weighted GPA of 4.75 while participating in the Blue Water Task Force, was a member and lab manager for the Bioscience program, a HOSA member, Editor-in-Chief of the Dragon Press, and played varsity basketball. She was a member of CSF, won the Pacemaker Journalism award, obtained certification in Basic Life Support, and was MVP and first team All-County and All-League in basketball. She will entering the School of Nursing at the University of Gonzaga in the fall and hopes to become a nurse anesthetist.

> The Auxiliary members as well as hospital staff offer their congratulations and best wishes for continued success to these deserving students.





# Digital Storytelling Returns in July

CAPS Media's popular Digital Storytelling program returns this summer with two, week-long sessions July 15-19 and July 29-August 2. The engaging and fun program is available for young video storytellers, ages 10-14 and is directed by experienced and talented videographers and film makers. In the program the young CAPS Crews work in teams of four to five to create their own video productions. The fast paced and creative program features hands-on, experiential learning in all aspects of media production including story development, scripting, casting, staging, directing, camera, video composition, lighting, remote and in-studio production,

graphic design, editing and more. Each weeklong session runs Monday - Friday, from 8:30am to 1:00pm with class sizes limited to 10-12 students. The Digital Storytelling program is held at the CAPS Media Center at 65 Day Road in Ventura, between Loma Vista and Telegraph, on the eastside of Ventura College. The weekly fee is \$250 per week and includes five 4-hour sessions, a one-year family membership at CAPS, a CAPS Crew Member shirt, graduation certificate and a special Friday film festival for friends and family. To learn more and sign up for the Digital Storytelling Program go to https:// capsmedia.org/

CAPS Media's special weekly series, ReCAPS, continues to entertain viewers with fascinating personal stories shared by local storytellers throughout Ventura County. ReCAPS premieres a new program every Monday night at 7pm on CAPS Channel 6 and streaming online. Recent ReCAPS storytellers include Ventura legend Moses Mora, sharing stories of Tortilla Flats; Adam Hart, director of Merrick, inary arts program at Oxnard College and chef Luis Sanchez, recreating recipes and sharing stories behind historic Ventura County menus; Jake and Jenny Dilbeck, Debbie Brokaw, Kat Merrick and County Fire Captain Chad Cook recounting their personal experiences during the Thomas Fire as survivors and firefighter. In other episodes of ReCAPS, Museum of Ventura County Executive Director Elena Brokaw talks with Carlos Ortega, the museum's Master curator, exploring the museum experience, and Julio Alcala, Lynda Braunschweiger, Marianne Parra, Robyne Redwater, Jim and John Proctor, and others share what the word "home" means to them, recorded for a special museum exhibit celebrating Ventura County's 150th anniversary.

Other ReCAPS episodes feature famous Ventura families including the Dudley family, the E.J. and Myra Harrison family, the Foster family, and Jeff Smith sharing stories about the Smith, Hobson, and Pettit families. Future ReCAPS include fascinating interviews and artwork by the extraordinary local artists in the Museum of Ventura County's new exhibit: InnoVision: Ventura County Artists to watch – Clark Song, Daniela Garcia Hamilton, Elisa Torres, Gladys Rodriguez, Jasmine Delgado, Luke Matjas, Maria Adela Diaz, Marianne McGrath, and Olguin Tapia,

Do you want to know about CAPS? Join them on Monday July 8th and the first Monday of the following month at 6pm for an informal introduction at the CAPS Media Center at 65 Day Road. The evening includes a tour, information on CAPS membership benefits, a creative overview of media production and more. Everyone is encouraged to drop by and discover what CAPS has to offer.

CAPS Media manages and programs cable channels 6 (Public) and 15 (Education and Government), and CAPS Radio KPPQ in Ventura, and manages the CAPS Media Center, at 65 Day Road, which is open Tuesday – Thursday from 12p–8pm. CAPS provides unlimited creative resources and expertise to everyone in Ventura.

#### The Bookmark

# About Libraries and Friends

#### by Mary Olson

• Time for another large book sale -Ventura Friends of the Library Book Sale at the Vons grocery at Telegraph and Victoria, Ventura. Saturday, July 13, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Fiction, Non-fiction, Children's books, Puzzles DVDs and CDs \$1.00 each; Books on CD \$1.50-\$2.00 each We have a nice collection of well cared for CDs: Bruce Springsteen, Eric Clapton, John Hiatt, Joni Hendrix, Herbie Hancock, Wynton Marsalis, Van Morrison, to name a few. All proceeds benefit Ventura libraries.

Summer Reading Program: Read,
 Renew, Repeat is well underway at

Ventura County Library. Kids, teens and adults can register at vencolibrary.beanstack.org and record their reading for opportunities to win prizes for reaching reading goals. Youth may visit their local branch to choose a free new book to add to their personal collection when signing up, with additional prizes for completing 500 minutes and 1000 minutes of reading.

• Science Heroes reveal secrets of chemical reactions, the transfer of energy, physical explosions, and more, in the course of an "Adventure of the Lost Treasure". Experiment with adventure! Help act out a story about a lost treasure deep within the jungle. Avenue Library: Wednesday, June 26, 3 to 4 pm

Hill Road Library: Thursday, June 27, 3 to 4 pm

• Learn all about bees with Ventura Bee Rescue:

Avenue Library: Monday, July 1, 1:00

Saticoy Library: Monday, July 1, 4:00

E.P. Foster Library: Thursday, July 11, 11:00 am

Hill Road Library: Thursday, July 11, 3:00 pm

• Christoper T. Magician performs magical feats inspired by and based upon popular children's books, bringing each book to life with wacky, interactive, and hysterical magic.

E.P. Foster Library: Tuesday, July 9,

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Avenue Library: Monday, July 15, 3:00 pm

Hill Road Library: Friday, August 2, 10:30 am

- Innovations Lab at E.P. Foster Library. Tuesdays, 2 to 3:30 pm. Unleash your imagination in a world of hands-on exploration, where science, technology, engineering, art, and math collide to spark innovation and creativity. Each week offers an exciting opportunity to learn, discover and invent.
- Little Lab at Hill Road Library. Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:30 am. Children, ages 3 to 7, side-by-side with caregivers as co-learners, explore and experiment with sensory play, process art, and constructive play outdoors on the patio.

Book Clubs in July

- Girls Who Code Book Club at Hill Road Library Tuesday, July 9, 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Pick up your copy of Girls Who Code #2 Team BFF: Race To The Finish at the Hill Road Library Service Desk. After the book discussion, make binary bracelets!
- The Graphic Novel Guild, recommended for 3rd 6th graders, explores exciting stories with amazing artwork and a creative activity related to the story. Space is limited. Sign up at the 2nd floor desk and pick up a copy of the selected book. E.P. Foster Library July 23: INK GIRLS and August 27: NEW KID @ 4 5 pm

Hill Road Library Book Club: Tuesday, July 30, 4:00 to 5:00 pm. The Music of Bees by Eileen Garvin --Visit the Hill Road Library to pick up the latest Book Club selection.

For questions about what's happening at any of the library branches, call (805) 626-READ.



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# **Business Profile**



Bryan Miller's journey encapsulates the triumph of perseverance over adversity.

# American Flags & Cutlery

Bryan Miller's journey is a testament to his resilience and passion for entrepreneurship. Despite facing challenges due to dyslexia during his school years, he pursued a degree in business administration. With admirable determination, he navigated the educational obstacles that came his way.

Bryan's professional path led him into the realm of restaurant management, where he spent five years honing his skills and gaining valuable experience. However, a pivotal moment arrived when a patron from one of the restaurants he managed presented him with a life-changing opportunity. This patron, on the brink of retirement, proposed that Bryan manage and take over their business, American Flags & Cutlery. Bryan seized this chance, marking the beginning of a new chapter.

In the year 2020, Bryan assumed a managerial role within the establishment, gradually transitioning to ownership by April 1, 2021. While the prospect of ownership was exciting, it came with its share of challenges. Determining the right products to procure for the store's inventory posed an initial hurdle. Bryan tackled this obstacle by immersing himself in understanding the preferences and needs of his clientele. Through diligent learning and adaptation, he navigated the intricate landscape of the industry.

One of Bryan's strengths lies in his ability to network effectively. He recognized the importance of connecting with the right individuals, which aided him in overcoming the learning curve associated with the cutlery industry. He cultivated partnerships with local businesses such as Messermeister and the unique Ojai-based brand, Ocaso. In fact, Bryan's store became the exclusive carrier of Ocaso products—a noteworthy

accomplishment

What sets Bryan's store apart is its distinctive collection of items that cannot be found in other establishments. This curated selection highlights his commitment to providing customers with a diverse and unparalleled shopping experience.

Entrepreneurship runs in Bryan's family, with both his grandparents having ventured into business ownership. Drawing inspiration from his family background and his own experiences as an Eagle Scout, Bryan's passion for cutlery and knives was kindled during his time in the restaurant industry. This unique blend of interests and his hands-on experience contribute to the store's distinctive character.

In conclusion, Bryan Miller's journey encapsulates the triumph of perseverance over adversity. From his challenging school years to becoming the owner of American Flags & Cutlery, his story exemplifies the power of determination, adaptation, and meaningful connections. Through his store, he not only offers exceptional products but also a testament to the value of pursuing one's passions against all odds.

#### X Games Ventura Continued from page 1

Local businesses, including Spencer Makenzie's, Happy Place Eatery, and Rocket Fizz, will serve as food vendors on-site, giving thousands of fans the chance to taste Ventura favorites. Over 20 local businesses with special X Games offerings will be featured in the X Games Ventura spectator guide given to every attendee.

Local integration and support in this year's event take many forms. From contracting with Ventura-based labor crew I Am The

Phoenix Labor and Production to teaming up with local PR representatives for regional marketing efforts, Ventura businesses are working behind the scenes to make X Games Ventura a success. Bike Ventura and Revolution Skateshop will again run the free, first-come, first-serve bike and skateboard check at the venue.

"A global event like the X Games brings unparalleled excitement and energy to Ventura while showcasing a strong commitment to our local community," said Ventura Mayor Joe Schroeder. "The X Games, Visit Ventura, and our community partners recognize that our local restaurants, shops, and vendors capture the unique flavor and spirit of Ventura. Hosting such an event is a collective effort, and we are thrilled to see it come together. The infusion of this energy into our local economy allows everyone to share in its benefits."

"Feel-good events like the Ventura Land Trust and Surfrider community clean-ups next week demonstrate that the X Games is not just an event coming to town, but a celebration of our shared values and spirit," said Marlyss Auster, President & CEO of Visit Ventura. "I am so excited to see so many partners and community members involved. Home pride is once again beaming!"

#### **Event Schedule:**

**Wednesday, June 26: Ventura Harbor Village Seaside Summer Kickoff** — Waterfront Wednesdays at the Ventura Harbor start with a special X Games celebration. Fans and visitors can enjoy an X Games ticket giveaway, a Big Lawn Concert, and the FIRST-EVER Visit Ventura Drone Show at Ventura Harbor.

**Wednesday, June 26: EXtreme Boogie Night** — Get moving for X Games Ventura with a special Boogie Nights 5k run along

the beautiful Ventura Promenade.

**Wednesday, June 26: Ventura Roller Disco** — Tap into nostalgia under a dazzling disco ball at Ventura's FIRST-EVER Roller Disco, presented by Ventura Coast Brewing Company. Bring your skates or rent on-site for an introduction to skates workshop, a guided dance lesson, live DJ sets, skate community vendors, and more.

Thursday, June 27: Ventura Skate Jam — Downtown Ventura and the City of Ventura present the second annual, all-ages free Ventura Skate Jam to kick off X Games Ventura. Local skate shop BlackHole Skate Shop will host and bring the setup for both young and old to show their skills on the ramps. Young skaters can join in on the fun at Skate & Create, taking place during the Skate Jam, where they can skate a mini park, make their own t-shirts, and more.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: Visit Ventura Drone Show — Visit Ventura is proud to announce the return of the Visit Ventura Drone Show, an eco-friendly display of 500 drones to celebrate X Games Ventura. Two shows have been added this year, making a total of five shows to dazzle and delight.

"The Visit Ventura Drone Show will be a fantastic kickoff to the summer season here at Ventura Harbor," said Brian Pendleton, the Port District's general manager. "It will draw visitors to Ventura Harbor midweek in support of our local merchants, including restaurants, retail, entertainment, and boating, and will also showcase Ventura Harbor Village as the vibrant seaside shopping destination it is."

For more information about community events for X GAmes Ventura, check out the Visit Ventura Blog at www. VisitVentura.com.







# Women Brewing Change: Jessica Alten's Journey with Pink Boots Collaborative

by Patricia Schallert

Jessica Alten's journey into the world of brewing began at Island Brewing Company in Carpinteria, where she started working. It was during a visit from her parents, particularly her father who had years of experience at Nestlé Purina, that she became intrigued by

the manufacturing side of beer. With a newfound interest in brewing, Jessica began asking questions and delving deeper into the craft. Her passion skyrocketed when she had the opportunity to collaborate with the brewers and owners of Island Brewing as part of the

Pink Boots Collaborative.

Jessica joined the Pink Boots Collaborative, an inspiring and vibrant community within the beer industry that brings together women who are passionate about brewing and promoting quality craft beer. Founded in 2007 by Teri Fahrendorf, a veteran brewmaster, the collaborative hosts events, workshops, and networking opportunities for women in brewing. Through this initiative, Jessica and many other women have come together to brew unique beers using hops generously donated by hop producers. These collaboration brews celebrate the talents of women in brewing while raising awareness about their crucial role in the industry.

The Pink Boots Collaborative has played a pivotal role in encouraging diversity and inclusivity within the beer industry, an aspect that Jessica finds particularly important. By offering a supportive and creative community, the Pink Boots collaboration has helped elevate the voices and talents of women brewers worldwide. It has also shattered barriers and served as an inspiration for future generations of women to pursue their dreams in the beer world. Additionally, the collaborative organizes "Brew Days" at local breweries, providing hands-on experience and educational opportunities for members.

As Jessica's experience and knowledge in brewing expanded, she was given the opportunity to assist in opening the tasting room for Ojai Valley Brewing. Eager to learn more about the brewing process, she shadowed the brewers and developed a deep fascination with the craft. Determined to explore the various aspects of brewing, she seized the chance to work at M. Special Brew Co. Starting from the bottom, Jessica steadily worked her way up to becoming an assistant brewer. With the guidance and support of the head brewer, Michael Alcantar, and owner, Josh Ellis, she honed her

skills and growth as a brewer.

After two years at M. Special Brew Co., Jessica, now a brewer, moved to Ventura and began working at Seaward Brewing in January 2024. What captivates her the most about brewing is the chemistry involved, especially in the "hot side" of the process. She emphasizes the importance of precise timing and temperature control, comparing it to the precision of baking. Interacting with patrons and discussing beers brings her immense satisfaction as well, and she cherishes compliments for the beers she crafts.

Being a woman brewer, Jessica has faced her share of challenges. Some men, for unexplainable reasons, doubt her abilities as a brewer. She often encounters skepticism and questioning at beer festivals regarding her role and brewing knowledge. Nevertheless, she remains dedicated to her craft, preferring to keep her beer traditional and straightforward. However, when it comes to making seltzers, she especially enjoys experimenting with different flavors and embraces the spicy notes of rye malt, which complement dark malty beers and IPAs.

Currently, Seaward Brewing is gearing up for the X Games in Ventura, which will take place from June 28 to 30. Jessica is thrilled about this event and has crafted a pilsner called the White Knuckle Pilsner with a motocross theme, which will be perfect for a hot day at the X Games. She also hopes to collaborate with Balcom Canyon Cidery, located nearby, to create a shandy-style cider-beer hybrid. Exciting endeavors lie ahead for Jessica and Seaward Brewing!

Becoming a skilled and accomplished brewer requires time, dedication, and a constant drive for improvement. Jessica is continuously honing her skills, experimenting with new brews, and staying passionate about the craft. Cheers to Jessica and her unwavering dedication to the art of brewing!





# **Business Protile**



# Welcome to Hummus Republic!

Hummus Republic in Ventura celebrated its grand opening with prizes, music, and a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday, June 18. Enthusiastic community members and members of the Ventura Chamber of Commerce attended the much-anticipated event, which was enjoyed by all.

Hummus Republic is a Mediterranean restaurant that offers a build-yourown style of bowls, pitas, and wraps, as well as side dishes such as falafel, salads, and other Middle Eastern fare. Their mission is to bring flavorful and convenient meals to the masses and to create accessibility to healthy, real food for everyone.

Proud owner Michael Lozovsky, originally from San Fernando Valley, worked at one of the Hummus Republic franchises for six years before opening this establishment. It is impressive that Michael started this journey as an entry-level restaurant employee. His work ethic led him to management and eventually to the corporate team. His hard work and desire to succeed have now resulted in owning his first

restaurant. His goal is to open more locations in Ventura County.

Why, one may ask? Mediterranean cuisine isn't just about vibrant flavors and health benefits; it's about sharing joyful moments around the table. A place where every guest is embraced like family, and every meal is an invitation to vibrant living.







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# Get Your Red, White & Blue Ready!

Fourth of July Street Fair and Pushem-Pullem Parade

Street Fair & Pushem-Pullem Parade, presented by the Rotary Club of East Ventura, begins at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street in front of Ventura's 47th annual 4th of July Street Fair & Pushem-Pullem Parade, presented by the Rotary Club of East Ventura, begins at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street in front of Cemetery Memorial Park and continues into Downtown Ventura, leading into the Street Fair. The road will be closed, and participants are welcome to begin queuing up as early as 9:00 a.m. This is a pedestrian parade. This year's Street Fair features artisan vendors, a car exhibit, live entertainment, a kids' activity area, a corn hole zone, and more. Attendees can also enjoy Downtown's local shops and outdoor dining as part of Main Street Moves. Community members are welcome to bring their bikes, scooters, strollers, and wagons. Motorized

Ventura's 47th annual 4th of July vehicles are not allowed. No registration is required.

> A complimentary Bike Valet, courtesy of the City of Ventura Transportation Division and Bike Ventura, will be located at the corner of Main Street and South Chestnut Street from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Fourth of July Fireworks Show at Ventura College

Tickets are now on sale for the spectacular, 31st annual 4th of July Fireworks Show & Family Picnic at Ventura College. This fun, family event features a Kids' Zone, Live Music, Food Trucks and a world-class Fireworks Show. Sponsored by the Rotary Club, the event starts at 5 pm on Thursday, July 4th at the Ventura College Athletic Fields. Fireworks start at 9:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 child, \$10 adult and a Family-of-4 ticket is \$30. For more information, visit www.Ventura-Fireworks.com.



Image by Bob Forbe

# Blue Whales and Dolphins Thrill Guests on Island Packers' Summer Whale Watching Excursions

**Discover Special Summer Trips** 

by Janie Tran

With warmer weather and the sun finally shining, it's the perfect time for a summer whale-watching expedition. Island Packers' Summer Whale Watching season spans from June through September, coinciding with ocean upwelling that brings abundant plankton for these majestic creatures.

On Wednesday, June 19, 2024,

our whale-watching adventure included encounters with California sea lions, sunfish, and at least four blue whales. One particularly striking whale could easily be mistaken for Uno, a well-known whale identifiable by its missing half tail. Unlike Uno, which lacks the right side of its tail, the whale we saw had the left half missing.



Image by Janie Tran

In good humor, the crew suggested naming this second whale "Duo," continuing the theme of tail variations. Blue whales in the Channel Islands channels displayed their flukes approximately every six minutes before diving into the depths.

Our experience was enriched by sightings of two types of dolphins: over 500 common dolphins and more than 50 offshore bottlenose dolphins, both year-round residents of the Santa Barbara Channels. For daily updates on these magnificent creatures, visit www.islandpackers.com.

Leading our excursion were Holly Lohuis, a marine biologist, conservationist, and educator with over 30 years of experience, alongside crew member Tina Samson and Captain Jason Wendel. Lohuis is renowned for her passionate advocacy for ocean conservation and emphasized the

emotional connection to nature felt by guests and children on these outings, inspiring future conservation efforts.

Education and conservation are paramount. It's awe-inspiring to be guided by these beautiful creatures to the Channel Islands, and Island Packers provides an ideal opportunity to witness these majestic animals in our own backyard. This area of sightings is recognized as the 9th whale heritage area in the world under WCA and the first wildlife area as the Santa Barbara Channel Whale Heritage Area.

Camilla Zoida, an Oxnard resident, summed up her experience in three words: "Magical. Breathtakingly magical." Lori Jacques, a Ventura resident, believes "Everyone should experience what's right in their backyard and enjoy nature aboard Island Packers. It's so good for the soul."



Image by Janie Tra

# Museum Celebrates New Exhibition Openings

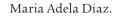
The Exhibition Opening eventon June 8 was a celebratory evening unveiling the Museum of Ventura County's two new exhibitions: Masters from the Museum of Ventura County Collection and InnoVision: Ventura County Artists to Watch! These unique and innovative art exhibitions showcase the past, present, and future of art in Ventura County.

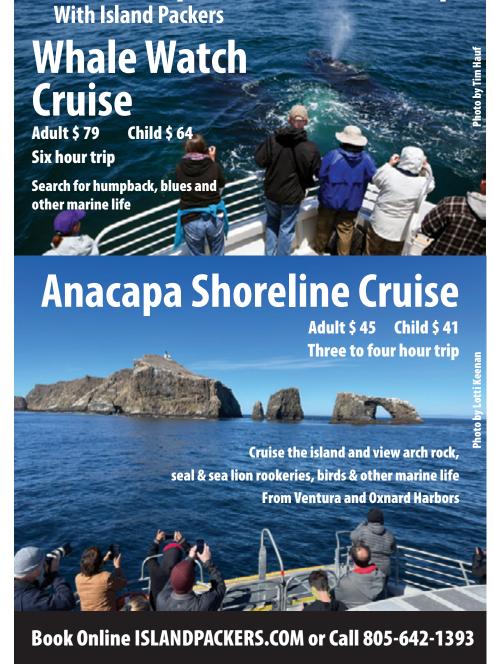
Masters from the Museum of Ventura County Collection celebrates the extraordinary artistic legacy of seven artists who have significantly shaped Ventura County's art history and achieved international acclaim. This showcase displays the dynamic range of talent within our county, from Jessie Arms Botke's turn-of-the-century paintings that synthesize various artistic influences, to Omar D'León's vibrant cross-hatching techniques, to Hiroko

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Image by Sheldon Brown







# Senior Tiving



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# Community Memorial's Outreach Lab Program within Ventura County

by Carol Leish, MA

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Community Memorial • Outreach Lab Program provides convenient mobile lab service to various . skilled nursing and assisted living facilities throughout Ventura County," said Megan O'Neil, Business Development Manager at Community Memorial Healthcare. "This program is more than 10 years old, and we are the only health system in Ventura County to offer this service. The community-based program enhances the continuum of care as patients discharge from the hospital to assisted living and skilled nursing facilities."

According to O'Neil, lab results physician and the facility where the patient resides. "STAT lab services are also available and results are provided within 4 hours from the time of the lab draw. This is helpful when a patient is very sick and the physician needs to determine the next step in medical care," said O'Neil. " Complete lab results for patient review are also available through Community Memorial Healthcare's patient portal."

Community Memorial currently partners with the following skilled nursing facilities to provide mobile lab

- Glenwood Care Center
- Camarillo Healthcare Center
- Victoria Care Center
- Ventura Post Acute
- Coastalview Healthcare Center
- Maywood Health Care Center
- Camarillo Senior Living
- Shoreline Care Center

- Oxnard Manor Healthcare Center
- Santa Paula Post-Acute
- Greenfield Care Center of Fillmore. Assisted living facilities benefiting from the program include:
- The Ventura Townhouse
- Aegis Assisted Living
- Cypress Place Senior Living
- The Palms of Bonaventure
- AlmaVia of Camarillo
- In addition to the Outreach Laboratory Program, Community Memorial

California Veterans Home of

has three outpatient lab draw stations: · Community Memorial Hospiare securely shared with the ordering tal-Ventura, at 147 North Brent Street,

- Ventura. 805-948-3138. Community Memorial tal-Ojai at 1306 Maricopa Highway, Ojai. 805-948-2245.
- Community Memorial Health Center, at 422 Arneill Road, Camarillo. 805-948-4523.
- · For current hours, online scheduling, and additional information, please visit: mycmh.org/lab.

# SCSEP provides employment training

The Senior Community Services Employment Training Program (SCSEP) provides limited employment training and wages for low-income persons aged

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# Senior Living



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# Ventura County's Aging The Balance of Life and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

The Ventura County ADRC provides a coordinated point of entry to ensure older adults and people with disabilities have access to the services and support needed to remain independent in the community. The ADRC is a partnership between the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAAA) and the Independent Living Resource Center (ILRC). Core services provided include: Enhanced Information & Referral, Options Counseling, Short-Term Service Coordination, and Transition Services.

ADRC Transition Advocates will facilitate transitions for individuals from a hospital, nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or any other institutional settings back into the home. Living in the community is significantly more cost effective compared to institutional living, but more importantly it increases quality of life and improves overall health outcomes.

For more information on Ventura County's ADRC, visit www.vcaaa.org or call (805) 477-7300.

Life is about balance. The word balance has two definitions and both are important to consider as you age. Balance can refer to distributing your energy among different things in the right proportion, for example, we sometimes talk about trying to find the perfect balance between work and play. Creating balance between your obligations and interests creates a stable foundation that equips you to embody your best self, cope with unexpected obstacles, and manage stress. Balance also means an even distribution of weight to hold something upright and steady, such as your physical body. Both types of balance are important in order to maintain a healthy and fulfilling lifestyle.

#### **Physical Balance**

As we get older, it's important to take a proactive approach to our health and build awareness around our sense of balance. Good balance requires the coordination of several parts of the body: the central nervous system, inner ear, eyes, muscles, bones, and joints. Problems with any one of these can affect how you stand or move without falling or recover if you trip. Aging leads to a natural loss of muscle strength and flexibility, making it challenging to maintain balance and stability. Here are some simple activities that improve balance by increasing your strength and flexibility:

Standing exercises (holding on to something or free standing). Balance on one foot, do toe raises, tuck ups, leg extensions, leg kicks, leg swings, and/or

step touches.

- Walk a fictitious balance beam, one foot in front of the other.
- Standing or walking lunges.
- Seated chair exercises: sitting and standing squats, leg lifts, tuck ups, and bending side to side with your arms moving.
- Walking, hiking, or jogging.
- Ballet dancing, ballroom or jazz
- Practicing yoga or tai chi.

#### **Mental Balance**

Poor mental health can make physical issues worse, and poor physical health can exacerbate mental health challenges. It's important, therefore, to strike a balance that allows you to look after yourself both physically and mentally. Your attitude and how you approach and handle situations can make or break the balance in your life. If you are having difficulties living a well and balanced life, then you may need to reevaluate and set different priorities. A good work-life balance is essential because it helps reduce stress and prevents burnout in both your professional and personal life.

Here are some simple ways to improve your mental health:

- Eat a healthy diet. A nutrient-rich diet helps limit mood swings and improves your ability to focus.
- Adopt or foster a pet. Having a furry companion can help reduce feelings of stress and lower levels of depression (for both you and your four-legged friend!)
- Volunteer or give back. Volunteering









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## **Business Profile**

# Moby's On Main now open



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family-friendly? Look no further. Moby's On Main may just be the place to be! It's a

#### helps you feel a sense of purpose and allows you to socialize with others.

Exercise regularly. Physical activities can release endorphins, reduce stress and improve your mood.

Learn something new. Challenging your brain is both fun and beneficial and helps keep your mind sharp.

Stay social. Staying connected to other people lowers feelings of loneliness and depression.

#### The Benefits of a Balanced Life

Maintaining balance in every part of your life is an important way to experience better health, feel happier, reduce stress, and be more productive. Balance, love and joy are the fruits of a successful life! Recognizing your abilities and finding ways to serve others by using them is a treasured gift. Enjoy a balanced life and have fun!

#### **About the Author**

Leslie Sokol is the creator and founder of the adult dance and fitness program For the Young at Heart. She has been teaching adults and children for forty-five years. You can watch For the Young at Heart by visiting her YouTube Channel or on TVSB. She also teaches in retirement communities throughout Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties.

For more information contact Leslie at Dancekidsfun@gmail.com 805-312-8089 or visit the website: www.Leslie-SokolsDance.com

#### SCSEP provides employment training Continued from page 9

55 and older. This program helps older adults seeking employment to gain the skills needed in today's job market. SCSEP is funded by the U.S. Department of Labor and focuses on the needs of mature workers, the community, and employers.

# Discover what SCSEP can offer

- Services tailored to each individu-
- Second career training opportuni-
- Training at community-based or-
- Training with flexible schedules
- Receive on-the-job training
- Receive a paid stipend while participating

#### What are the eligibility requirements?

- 55 years or older
- · Be unemployed & need further training to perform jobs available in
- · Be a resident of the county where the program is managed by VCAAA
- Authorized to work in the U.S.
- Meet family income requirements (limit of 125% of Poverty Guidelines)

Learn more about the Senior Community Service Employment Program: Visit www.vcaaa.org/work concept from local entrepreneurs Mitch & Mary Masoner that provides a curated collection of video and merchandiser games for all ages and abilities.

Nestled amongst downtown Main Street's colorful collection of boutique businesses, Moby's On Main is Ventura's first family-friendly arcade bar experience. This newly opened space boasts an impressive lineup of Stern machines sure to excite all pinball enthusiasts! Their game selection includes the Top 7 of Stern's top pinball games, which is the largest collection of pinball on the coast from San Francisco to Los Angeles, along with the latest virtual reality tech, and nostalgic arcade classics.

Moby's On Main offers something for everyone, blending old-school charm with new-school technology. The space is designed to appeal to both young and old, making it a perfect spot for family outings, date nights, or friendly gatherings. Their curated selection of locally canned brews, seltzers, and nonalcoholic beverages provides the perfect bar arcade experience for all ages.

Feeling hungry? Moby's On Main has you covered with a seasonal selection of Harbor Mart sandwiches, famous Thrifty scoops, and fun snacks. Their menu features a variety of tasty options, ensuring you can refuel before diving back into the games.

Beyond just being an arcade bar, Moby's On Main is dedicated to supporting and giving back to the Ventura community. This family-owned business aims to create a space where locals can come together, have fun, and feel connected. They offer a curated selection of local bites, sips, and timeless

Thrifty scoops, further celebrating the community spirit.

Interested in being stocked at Moby's On Main? The Masoners welcome all suggestions and collaborations. They are always looking to feature new and exciting local products, so don't hesitate to reach out and collaborate.

In summary, Moby's On Main is more than just an arcade bar; it's a community hub where family fun and local pride come together. With its diverse range of games, delicious food and drink options, and commitment to the Ventura community, it's the perfect destination for a memorable outing. So, gather your family and friends and head over to Moby's On Main for a unique and enjoyable experience!







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We're a little old school and a little new school, wih plenty of bites and brews to fuel!

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### **Events**



#### Ventura

Surf Rodeo Festival: July 5th and 6th. Tip of Surfer's Point (by the Ventura Fairgrounds).

Since 1997, Surf Rodeo is Ventura's original surfing and music festival. 30+ bands vendors and more. www.Surfrodeo.org

Old-Time Country Bluegrass Gospel Music Assoc: Sunday July 7, 2:00 - 4:00 pm Poinsettia Pavilion. 3451 Foothill Rd, Ventura, CA 93003

Live Music on stage. Jamming in the Canada Room. Free Admission. Free parking. Open to the Public. For more information, call 805-517-1131 or visit Facebook: OTCBGM

#### Tequila & Taco Music Festival: Saturday, July 13: 1pm - 9pm, Ventura County Fairgrounds.

California's Largest Traveling Tequila & Taco Music Festival is back! This event will showcase top-shelf Tequila sampling, while you enjoy the best gourmet street tacos Ventura has to offer. Enjoy live music, margaritas, craft beer, and vendors. All ticket holders will have access to food vendors, craft beer,

margarita booths, shopping, and live music. Tickets available at www. tequilaandtacomusicfestival.com/

#### Genealogy - Free Family History Lectures: Saturday, July 20. Online Via Zoom from 1:00 pm -4:00 PM.

The Ventura County Genealogical Society will present two speakers. The first is Tina Beaird, speaking on "Maps and Trails: Common Migration Paths from the17th Through 19th Centuries," followed by David Flint on the topic of "Marriage Records in England." All VCGS lectures are free and open to members and the public. Non-members may request a Zoom invitation at https://venturacogensoc.org/request-invitation-to-lecture/. Please note that VCGS cannot respond to same-day requests. VCGS is an all-volunteer, public benefit non-profit corporation [501(c)(3)]. Donations are greatly appreciated. For more information: https://www. venturacogensoc.org.

# NAMBA Improv Camps: Grades 4-10. Monday through Thursday. Downtown Ventura.

Creative, interactive games and

exercises where students are introduced to the fun and skill of improvisational theater. Through simple exercises and games we begin to explore the vast world of character creation and storytelling! Instructed by Mr. Casey Robbins. Space is limited. www.Namba.com.

#### Olivas Adobe House Tours: Every Sunday in July and August

The Olivas Adobe historic site features the original two-story adobe home of Don Raymundo Olivas built in 1847. Celebrating Ventura's Rancho and Latino heritage. Located at 4200 Olivas Park Drive, Ventura. House tours are \$5 for Adults and \$3 for children and Seniors. More Information is available at https://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/648/Olivas-Adobe-Historical-Park.

#### **Ongoing:**

Ventura Senior Men's Group -First and Third Tuesdays each month: 11:30am - 1:30pm - Poinsettia Pavilion.

Any man who considers himself in the "senior" category (and many who don't) might benefit from a visit to the Ventura Senior Men's Group. Buffet luncheon with interesting speakers and good friends. Your first lunch is free. We talk about everything except religion and politics. Eligible to all men 50 plus. Call Tom at 805-657-1071 for more information or visit VSMG.net to find out who our speakers will be.

#### Play Bridge: Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday -12:30pm.

ACBL-sanctioned duplicate bridge games. All levels of play, and we will guarantee to have a partner for you if you need one. Lessons are available. Tuesday, Wed and Thursday games are held at Temple Beth Torah, Foothill & Kimball Rd, Ventura. Every Saturday at the Ventura Townhouse. For additional info visit our website at www.vcbridge.org. Contact Rose at buckleyrose357@gmail.com.

# Ventura County Philatelic Society: First and third Monday's each month - 7:30pm.

Church of the Foothills, Ventura. For more information, visit https://venturacountyphilatelicsoc.org.

# Beach Cleanup: First Saturday of every month - 8:30 -10:30am.

Meet your neighbors and help keep our beach looking fresh. Hosted by Pierpont Beach Community Council in partnership with Surfrider. Meet up at the end of Seward near the beach. (1140 S Seward St). Arrive any time during the timeframe. Fun for the whole family! Supplies provided - BYO water.

#### Santa Barbara:

The Santa Barbara Museum of Art (SBMA) exhibition; The Lady Leslie and Lord Paul Ridley-Tree Collection, 1130 State Street, Santa Barbara, CA, July 7 - November 3. www.sbma.net.

#### Oxnard:

Bridging Familias: LGBTQ+ Latino Wellness Event: Saturday, July 13, 2024, 9 am - 3 pm, Oxnard College Performing Arts Building.

Learning how bullying and sexual and intimate partner violence affect LGBTQ+ Latinos & how to support our loved ones! Free lunch for the first 300 participants! Spanish, Mixteco and ASL translation will be provided.

Educational Presentations

(9 am - 12 pm)
Lunch
(12 pm - 12:30 pm)
Intergenerational Panel
(12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)
Resource Fair
(12 pm to 3 pm)
Art Exhibit
(12 pm to 3 pm)

For questions and additional info. email: s.gomez@thecoalition.org & A.Ontiveros@thecoalition.org or call: 805-983-6014, ext.1114. Register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bridging-familias-lgbtq-latino-wellness-event-tickets-890666717127?blm\_aid=23160833

# Idling gets you nowhere, but grants can get you going by David Goldstein

Ventura Unified School District will replace two diesel buses with two electric ones and purchase two charging stations,





In our June 12 issue, this second image was omitted from the Stych Inc. Business Profile. Visit www.CustomStyches.com to learn more about Stych Inc.

# As I See It by Sheldon Brown

• The Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education voted to ban smartphones for its 429,000 students in an attempt to insulate kids from distractions and social media that undermine learning and hurt mental health. The board voted 5-2, approving a resolution to develop within 120 days a policy prohibiting student use of both items. The policy would be in place by January 2025.

I think this is wonderful. If parents need to reach their kids at school, they can call the office (like the good old days). Now we need to get parents to hold off on giving kids cell phones until at least middle school and permanently ban them from use while the family is eating.

Recently I saw a family of 4 eating at a restaurant and all 4 (parents and 2 teenagers) were using their phones.

I wanted to scream.

• Donald Trump is taking aim at business leaders, saying they should be fired if they don't support him.

In two long Truth Social posts quoting a Wall Street Journal article, Trump said "Business Executives and Shareholder Representatives should be 100% behind Donald Trump! Anybody that's not should be fired for incompetence!"

We don't need a president who gets elected by blackmail.

• I was excited when I read this, but it was a little misleading. "The Supreme Court rejected a lawsuit challenging the Food and Drug Administration's approach to regulating the abortion pill mifepristone with a ruling that will continue to allow the pills to be mailed to patients without an in-person doctor's visit."

They did not rule on the matter at all just refused to hear the case on a technical issue. The court ruled that the doctors and anti-abortion groups that had challenged access to the drug did not have the standing to sue.

• The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation has given Ventura \$30 million to support the city's planned water recycling program. The grant is for the VenturaWaterPure project that will ultimately treat wastewater to drinking water and reduce discharges of effluent into the Santa Clara River.

The project is expected to deliver up to 20% of the city's annual water demand when fully operational.

The VenturaWaterPure program has already received some federal funding. The Reclamation Bureau previously provided \$18 million, and the Environmental Protection Agency last year provided nearly

\$174 million of low interest loans.

Overall cost estimates for the project just keep getting higher and higher. In November, city officials estimated the price had risen at least \$182 million more than previously budgeted. The figure increased from \$374.4 million to \$556.9 million.

Inflation, bids and project design costs all went up, officials said. Shouldn't that have been factored in the original projected costs? This is how government agencies get a project started. When half completed, they run out of money and, of course, need more to complete the project.

The project has been very disruptive to many of our streets and continues to be. I certainly hope the final results will be worth at least \$556.9 million. To learn more, you can visit VenturaWaterPure.net.

using a grant from the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District. This was one of two awards, totaling \$1.56 million; the other went to the Ocean View School District in Oxnard, which will replace one diesel bus with an electric one and purchase one charging station. Grants cover the cost of charging equipment and 87% of the price of the buses. The three new buses will significantly reduce emissions of carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming, according to Karin Grennan, Public Information Officer with the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District.

Unfortunately, idling of cars is also common near schools during drop-off and pick-up of children. Although it may not be as comfortable to turn off the air conditioner and roll down windows instead of running the engine, there are good reasons for parents to do so.

Most people waste one to two tanks of gas every year by idling, according to Grennan. She cites studies concluding that idling for 10 seconds uses more fuel than restarting the engine of modern cars with fuel injection, and frequent restarting has little impact on the battery and starter, whereas excessive idling can damage important engine components.

There are also health reasons to avoid idling. "Pollution from exhaust contributes to lung infections, pneumonia, influenza and asthma, and children are sensitive to lower levels of air pollution than the general public," according to Grennan.

For heavy-duty vehicles in California, with some exceptions, idling more than five minutes is illegal. School bus idling near schools is allowed "only when necessary for safety or operational concerns," according to IdleFreeCalifornia.org.

The Air Pollution Control district has funded eight school buses since 2019. In fall, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received nearly \$1 billion to help school districts replace buses with lower-emitting versions. This month, California Air Resources Board and the California Energy Commission began accepting applications for \$500 million in Zero-Emission School Bus and Infrastructure Grants.

Another program targets high-emission vehicles. The Air Pollution Control District's Old Car Buy Back Program pays people \$1,000 to retire 1997 or older cars. Vehicles must be operational and registered in Ventura County. In seven years, this program has taken more than 300 highly polluting vehicles off Ventura County's roads.

A more generally targeted grant program, sponsored by the non-profit Coalition for Clean Air, offers up to \$1,000

for projects planned for the week before California Clean Air Day, October 2, 2024. Eligible projects include campaigns against idling, conducted by local governments, health care organizations, or business or community organizations.

Motor vehicles produce more than half of the air pollution in the county, according to Grennan, so programs like these help clean our air.

More information: http://www.oldcarbuyback.com/ventura.php or call 800-717-7624

David Goldstein, an Environmental Resource Analyst with the Ventura County Public Works Agency, can be reached at (805) 658-4312 or david.goldstein@ventura.org anchored offshore to the community via small boats called "lighters," before the construction of the wharf in 1872.

"Thomson Street" honors local landowner Dixie Thomson, renowned for his dancing horses showcased in parades. While the street was laid out during Spanish times, it initially served as a horse racing track, reflecting the popularity of the sport among early settlers. Interestingly, the Chumash were recognized as skilled horsemen and jockeys, often hired by ranch owners to race their thoroughbred Arabians. Betting was commonplace, with entire ranches sometimes changing hands in a single race.

"Poli Street" commemorates wealthy landowner and doctor Manuel Antonio Rodriguez de Poli, who resided in a large adobe overlooking the town and bay. Although his former residence was removed to make way for the Hill Street School, an apartment building now occupies the site. Dr. Poli was widely beloved for his altruism, never charging for his medical services, which he considered more of a hobby than a profession.

"Ventura Avenue" originally connected Ventura and the Ojai Valley, initially known as "Canada Street." It traversed a smaller road named "Crooked Palm" Road, named after a deformed palm tree that once stood there. Perhaps a twisted palm could be replanted to honor the memory of the long-gone tree?

The streets of Ventura serve as tangible reminders of its rich and diverse history, each name carrying with it a unique story and legacy.

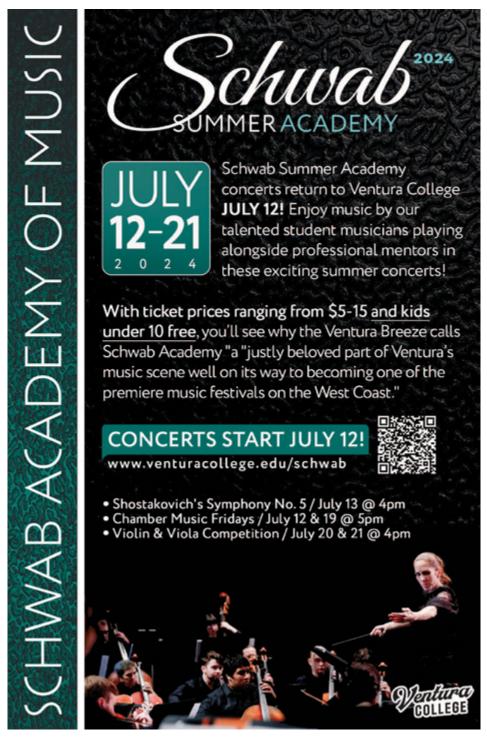
# Ventura's Historic Street Names Tell Many Stories

by Richard Senate

Main Street today was originally the Spanish highway that linked all the Missions and settlements. It was California's first thoroughfare, "El Camino Real" (The Royal Highway), extending from La Paz, Baja California to Sonoma. Why was the name changed? The early American settlers wanted nothing to do with Spanish after the Mexican-American War. The name was altered by Ordinance Number Ten of the newly incorporated City of San Buenaventura in 1867.

Another historic street, "Figueroa," positioned before the Old Mission, is not named after the popular California Governor of that name, but rather after the town blacksmith who operated a shop on that street in 1850. "Palm Street" derived its name from three towering date palms planted by the Mission, which served as landmarks for the town. At one point, there was even a suggestion to rename the town "Palm City." Although the trees are no longer standing, the street name persists as a reminder of these iconic landmarks.

The origins of some street names are straightforward to trace, such as "Oak Street," named after a tall oak tree that once graced the area. "California Street" is believed to have been named around 1850, coinciding with California's admission to the Union. This street connected the town to the beach and facilitated the transportation of cargo from ships



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# The Pet Page



Dedicated to Scamp

Walking your dog daily is an excellent activity for dogs and owners, alike, because it brings mental and to your pet and creates an unbreakable bond between you and

your furry friend. However, as summer approaches and the temperature begins to rise, owners should be aware of the risks associated with walking pets in the heat.

Dr. Lori Teller, a clinical professor at the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, has some tips on identifying signs that it may be too hot to walk your pet and suggestions on ways to exercise them more safely on hot summer days.

#### Recognizing When It's 'Too Hot To Walk'

It is important to pay attention to your dog and know when it might be too hot to take them for a

"When it is hot outside, many dogs can be adversely impacted and suffer from heat exhaustion or heat stroke," Teller said. "Dogs cannot sweat, and panting is not an effective mechanism for cooling



Peanuts would like to know where the dog X Games will be held.

off, so dogs do not have efficient ways of handling excessive heat."

Teller also said there is no specific temperature that is too hot for dogs.

"A good rule is to avoid the summer and limit walks or runs to early morning or late evening times when the temperatures have dropped some," Teller said. "It may also be a good idea to consider booties to protect your dog's feet from the hot pavement."

In addition to being mindful of the time of day, owners should be extra cautious with both very young and older dogs as well as those with underlying medical con-

"Dogs with respiratory disease, heart disease, obesity, and breeds with flat or smushed faces - such as pugs, boxers, bulldogs, Shih Tzus, and more - are more likely to be heat-intolerant, or sensitive to the warmer temperatures."

Another consideration for owners is how adjusted your dog is to the climate.

"Dogs that have recently relocated from cooler climates are also less likely to be acclimated to warmer temperatures," Teller said.

While prevention is the best way physical stimulation to keep pets safe from overheating, Teller said it is also important to know the signs that a dog is struggling with the soaring temperatures. This is especially true for owners who take summer road trips that include outdoor breaks for their pets or who experience an air conditioning outage in the summer months.

> Some signs to look out for in case your pet becomes overheated include anxiousness or restlessness; excessive panting or drooling; vomiting or diarrhea; abnormal gum or tongue color; unsteadiness while walking; or collapsing.

> "If your pet appears to be overheated, place some cool, wet towels around your pet and seek veterinary care immediately," Teller said. "Time is definitely of the essence."

## When In Doubt, Call And

The first step in responding to a pet emergency should start long before the emergency may arise.

Greathouse encourages owners to create an emergency plan that includes phone numbers of the closest emergency clinic(s), your pet's veterinarian, hotlines for potential animal poison or toxin exposures, and your phone number, in case someone is pet sitting for you.

"It's a normal response for owners to panic when there is an emergency, but having those phone numbers nearby or in your phone can provide a sense of preparedness and enable you to act quickly and calmly," Greathouse said.

Recognizing the signs of a pet emergency and understanding the types of emergencies that require immediate veterinary care are essential for pet owners. If owners are unsure whether a pet's condition warrants immediate care, Greathouse advises them to err on the side of caution and contact a veterinarian or nearby emergency clinic.

"It's safer to call and talk through the situation with someone else than it is to make the decision on your own," Greathouse said. "We might be able to give you hottest times of the day in the the push to come in or reassure you that you have a little bit more time before your pet needs to visit a veterinarian."

By being aware of the signs of emergencies and having a plan in place, you can ensure that your pet receives the timely care they need. Remember, if you have any doubts about your pet's health, it's always best to seek professional advice.

Pet Talk is a service of the School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the web at vetmed.tamu.edu/ news/pet-talk.

· University of Lincoln study tactfully titled Domestic Cats Do Not Show Signs of Secure Attachment to Their Owners.

When swapping 20 felines and their human owners, researchers found the cats appeared to bond

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as well with strangers (shown they're interested in whatever scent through behaviors such as play and mirroring) than with their actual

researchers concluded: "These results are consistent with the view that adult cats are typically quite autonomous, even in their social relationships, and not necessarily dependent on others

While this sounds complicated, this is essentially the very simple idea that a cat will like you because

is on your hand.

"Cat taste buds are so sensitive - they can pick up scents from our skins that could include pheromone secretions from other animals," says Sands.

"It could also be that you've got salt, moisturizer or whatever you've just eaten on your hand. to provide a sense of security and To cats, all these are interesting scents and licking allows them to check it out. That's simply all it might be."

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Shelter: VCAS Camarillo Animal Shelter



# **Police Reports**

Police reports are provided 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.

#### **Battery Arrest**

On 6/15/24 starting at 2223 hours, the Ventura Police Department received multiple calls related to a group of juveniles disturbing while riding electric bicycles (e-bikes) on the west end of the city. At 2223 hours, the juveniles were reported to have attacked a 66-year-old homeless woman by stepping on her and kicking her while she was laying in a sleeping bag near the intersection of Main Street and Peking Street. A second adult, female victim near the same location reported that the juveniles had thrown rocks at her, and she was struck by a small rock. At 2234 hours, another caller reported a group of juveniles (believed to be the same group) was disturbing while riding e- bikes near the Crown Plaza Hotel. The group was reportedly spitting at people as they passed on their bikes.

While Ventura Police Officers were speaking with the victims near Peking Street and Main Street, the juveniles returned to the area on the e-bikes and the victim pointed them out to officers. When the juveniles saw the police officers they quickly began to ride away. Officers successfully detained two juveniles, a 13-year-old male e-bike rider and his juvenile female companion who was riding on the back of the bike. The other juveniles fled from the area and have not been identified. The 13-year-old male was identified as one of the juveniles who threw a rock at a victim. He was arrested for battery and later released to his mother.

The investigation into these cases is ongoing. The juveniles who attacked the elderly homeless woman have yet to be identified. If you have any information about their identity or were a witness to these crimes, please contact the Ventura Police Department at 805-650-8010.

# **Harbor Patrol Blotter**

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



#### Thursday 6/13

10:00am, Ventura City and Ventura County firefighters utilizing Ventura Port District facilities for Water Rescue watercraft training. Officers participat-

4:15pm, received report of a dog locked in a vehicle at launch ramp. Officers responded, found the vehicle, the dog was inside but the owner was also inside. Friday 6/14

6:15am, observed NWS issued a Small Craft Advisory, raised warning pennant. 12:35pm, received report of a child locked in a vehicle in the village. Officers responded and found Ventura PD on scene, they were handling the call. Saturday 6/15

6:15am, observed NWS issued Gale Warning, raised warning pennants.

6:42am, received request for water quality results. Looked up testing on Ventura County website. Only Rincon and La Conchita tested below threshold. 9:30am, while on patrol in Rescue Boat 19, observed individuals bowriding on a small vessel in the South Basin of Harbor, issued warning to the skipper. 1:15pm, received report of a dog locked in a vehicle in the village. Officers investigated, found the vehicle with windows down and dog not in distress.

#### Sunday 6/16

6:19am, observed weather service issued

a Gale Warning, raised pennants.

10:35am, dispatched to a water rescue at the South Jetty, 4 swimmers caught in a rip current. Officers responded in Fireboat and Rescue Watercraft to assist victims. The RWC was able to pull three of the victims onto the ski and sled and transport them safely to the beach. 4th victim climbed out of the water onto the jetty. VFD / State Parks, were able to assess patients on the beach.

7:13pm, received report of a fuel sheen near VWM B-dock. Officers responded in Rescue Boat19 to investigate. Upon arriving on scene, a rainbow sheen was found in the area report, it was breaking up, unretrievable. No source found.

#### Monday 6/17

6:20am, once again, NWS issued Gale warning for NW winds gusting to 35kts in the Western Portion of the Santa Barbara Channel. Pennants raised.

7:45pm, dispatched to an Ocean Rescue, surfer in distress in front of State Parks HQ. Officers responded in Fireboat to assist, victim made it to shore safely.

#### Tuesday 6/18

6:05am, finally, NWS took down Wind Advisories for calmer conditions.

5:30pm, while on patrol, observed a broken water pipe near the entrance to the Port District parking lot. Officers were able to find the turn off valve,

#### 4th of July Holiday Delays Trash Pick Up for Thursday and Friday Customers

Due to the Independence Day holiday on Thursday, July 4, trash, recycling and yard/organic waste will be collected one day later than usual for Thursday and Friday customers the week of June 30 to July 6 in the Cities of Ventura, Ojai and the unincorporated areas of Ventura County.

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June 26 to July 9, 2024



#### by Pam Baumgardner VenturaRocks.com

They're back! The X Games return to the Ventura Fairgrounds Friday, June 28, through Sunday, June 30, and this year music will be a big part of the festivities unlike last year, where... there was none. Music runs throughout each day, with Grammy-nominated artists: Wiz Khalifa headlining on Friday, Kaskade on Saturday, and Sunday it's Fever 333 out of Inglewood. Do note regarding parking, it's recommended you take a shuttle, walk, or ride your bike as this year the X Games not only take over the fairgrounds, but the whole parking lot as well.

Leading up to and throughout the weekend, several venues around town will be welcoming the X Games to Ventura with live music such as the Ventura Harbor with Rey Fresco and Looking West (drone show included) on Wednesday, June 26, Tony's Pizzeria offers up music each evening starting Thursday with the Heavy Hitters, then after the games each day it's OnePeople and Singular Nature on Friday, June 28, Raging Arb and Friends on Saturday, June 29 and Heart & Soul on Sunday June 30. And not to be left out, Sans Souci has live music each evening featuring bands like Bone Maggot, Dogleg, Die Healing, Hologram Empire, Sunnie Daze and more (see listings).

One more X Games related activities I would be remiss if I didn't mention, there will be a roller disco block party on Oak Street, downtown Ventura, on Oak Street from 4 - 10 pm on Wednesday, June 26, where you can take a spin while listening to disco music. Skate rentals available on a first-come basis.

Post X-Games fun, on the following weekend the fairgrounds will once again be taken over, this time by the crew from Surf Rodeo with headline acts Chris Janson and Iam Tongi on Friday, July 5 and Denm, Jim Lindberg and Sullvn on Saturday, July 6.

Tickets on sale now for John Waite's, "40 Years of Missing You" tour, for the Oxnard Performing Arts Center October 10. The Ventura Music Hall has Strung Out with the Adolescents for September 29 and the Ventura Theater added Flogging Molly and Less than Jake for October 8 and October 16 respectively.

Quick Notes: Argentine singer/ songwriter, Juana Molina, plays the Ojai Women's Club on Friday, June 28; Danny Carrey of Tool returns to the Grape with the Doug Webb Group on Saturday, June 29; a Local Love Project fundraiser will be held at Portside Ventura Habor on Saturday, June 29, featuring Kelly's Lot and Erik Lemaire Band; The Bacon Brothers (yes, including Kevin) play the Libbey Bowl on Sunday, June 30; and finally, the City will host the annual 4th of July Street Fair & Pushem Pullem Parade however at press time they had yet to list their live music.

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 listings, additional times and genres go to VenturaRocks.com

#### Aqua Beachfront Bar (Crowne Plaza) 450 E. Harbor Blvd., Ventura

Wed 6/26: Big Adventure Duo Wed7/3:DéjàvuToo

#### **Boatyard Pub** 1583 Spinnaker Dr., Ventura

Music 6-9; except Thurs 4-9; Sundays 4-7 Wednesdays: Frank Barajas Thursdays: Jim Friery (4pm); Bluegrass Jam (6:30pm) Fri 6/28: Mack and D

Sat 6/29: Epitome of a Dream Sun 6/30: Ken Devoe

Fri 6/5: Teresa Russell & Stephen Geyer

#### Bombay Bar and Grill 143 S. California St., Ventura

Thursdays: Ventura Blues Night Sat 6/29: Stellar Ruins, NoSilence, VVicked, Princess Pillz

#### Café Fiore

#### 66 California St., Ventura

Wed 6/26: Donna Greene & the Roadshow **Daddies** 

Fri 6/28: Little Alice Sun 6/30: Urban Dread Sat 7/6: The High Revival

#### Cantara Cellars 126 N. Wood Rd., Camarillo

Fri 6/21: Decadent Decades Sat 6/22: Runaway Fri 6/28: Caught Red Handed Sat 6/29: Caliente 805

#### **Constitution Park**

#### 601 Carmen Dr., Camarillo

Sat 6/29: Smith

#### Citrus Music Festival

#### Veterans Memorial Park, Santa Paula

Sat 6/29: Full Clip, Whiskey Business, Juano and Friends, Rewind

Sun 6/30: La Desmadrosa, Mariachi los Leones, Imparable, Banda la Venenosa

#### Deer Lodge

#### 2261 Maricopa Hwy., Ojai

Fri 6/28: Josephoenix Sat 6/29: Ojai Depart. Of Rhythm Sat 7/6: Beau Red & the Tailor Maide

#### Duke's Beach Grill 1124 S. Seaward Ave., Ventura

Sat 6/29: Zepp Heads Sat 7/6: Vinny Berry Sun 7/7: Mark Cross

#### Four Brix

#### 2290 Eastman Ave., Ventura

Sat 6/29: Adrian Floy & THC Sat 7/6: Brittney and the Bsides Sun 7/7: Moxy Raven

#### Garage

#### 1091 Scandia Ave., Ventura

Fri 6/28: Black Dragon Sat 6/29: Sin Chonies Sun 6/30: Red Rhythm Fri 7/5: The Centuries Sat 7/6:80s Top

#### The Grape 2733 E. Main St., Ventura

Tues: The Gratitude Jazz Jam Wed 6/26: TD Lind & the Aviators Fri 6/28: Chris Smith Quartet Sat 6/29: The Doug Webb Group feat. Danny Wed 7/3: RJ Mischo Blues Showcase Sat 6/6: Jeff Dale (2p); he Phoenyx Big Band

#### **Harbor View Park** 3600 Harbor Blvd., Oxnard

Sat 7/6: Nautical Thrust

#### Heritage Square

#### 715 S. A St., Oxnard

Fri 6/28: Higher Ground Fri 7/5: The Renegades

#### Keynote Lounge 10245 Telephone Rd., Ventura

Thursdays: Open Mic Sat 6/29: Ventu Park Band

#### **Knights of Columbus** 36 Figueroa St., Ventura

Sat 6/29: I Greater than He, Lucedio, Seconds to Centuries, Mal

#### **Leashless Brewing**

#### 585 E. Thompson Blvd., Ventura

Fri 6/28: Keyth G & the Universouls Sun 6/30: OnePeople Thurs 7/4: Mark Masson & Friends Fri 7/5: Jacob Marquez & the Good Vibers, Babylon by Bus

Sat 7/6: Massive Riddim

Sun 7/7: Keyth G & the Universouls, The **Heavy Hitters** 

#### Libbey Bowl

#### 210 S. Signal St., Ojai

Sun 6/30: Bacon Brothers Fri 7/5: Beatles vs Stones Sat 7/6: Don't Stop Believing

#### **Local Love Project**

#### Portside Ventura Harbor; 1196 Portside

Sat 6/29: Kelly's Lot, Erik Lemaire Band

#### Magnavino Cellars 961 Rice Ave., Oxnard

#### Fri 6/28: Rebel Heart

Sat 6/29: Rebel Belles Sun 6/30: Milena Dawn Fri 7/5: Brandon Ragan Project

#### Majestic Ventura Theater 26 S. Chestnut St., Ventura

Thurs 6/27: Sebastian Bach

#### Manhattan

#### 5800 Santa Rosa Rd., Camarillo

Wed 6/26: Warren Takahashi Thurs 6/27: Tom McMorran Fri 6/28: Tony Maddox Sat 6/29: Jeanne Tatum Trio

#### Margarita Villa

#### 1567 Spinnaker Dr., Ventura

Fri 6/28: Crosscut 805

#### Sat 6/29: CRV

#### Mrs. Olson's 2800 Harbor Blvd., Oxnard

#### Thurs 6/27: Sumac, White Boy, Scream, Grave

Infestation

Sun 6/30: Teresa Russell Fri 7/5: Vinyl Gypsies

#### **Oceanview Pavilion**

#### 575 E. Surfside Dr., Port Hueneme

Mon 7/1: United States Air Force Band of the

#### Ojai Underground Exchange 616 Pearl St., Ojai

Fri 6/28: Plus One with Karl Hunter

#### Ojai Pub

#### 914 E. Ojai Ave., Ojai

Fri 6/28: Grief & Sorrow Sat 6/29: Katie Leigh

#### Ojai Valley Brewing 307 Bryant St., Ojai

Sat 6/29: Ted Lennon Trio Thurs 7/4: Blues Bullet Ojai Women's Club

# 441 E. Ojai Ave., Ojai

Fri 6/28: Juana Molina Onyx

#### 2390 Las Posas, Rd., Camarillo

Fri 6/28: George Krikes Sat 6/29: Eliya Frantz

#### **Oxnard Performing Arts Center** 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard

Thurs 6/27: Jake Shimabukuro, Henry Kapono feat. Jeff Peterson

Poinsettia Pavilion

#### 3451 Foothill Rd., Ventura

Sun 7/7: Old-Time Country Bluegrass Gospel Music Assoc.

#### The Raven Tavern

#### 1651 S. Victoria Ave., Oxnard

Fri & Sat 8 pm; Sundays 2 pm Fri 6/28: Vinyl Gypsies Sat 6/29: Brandon Ragan Project Sun 6/30: Warren Takahashi Fri 7/5: CRV Sat 7/6: Duke Fame Band

#### Sun 7/7: Teresa Russell Sans Souci

#### 21 S. Chestnut St., Ventura

Fri 6/28: Black Empathy, Bone Maggot, Carnal Deity, Dogleg, Final Fall, In the Grey, Trimortis, Viscerate, VPR (5p-2a) Sat 6/29: Blood Boys, Defeating the Purpose, Die Healing, Hologram Empire, Loc Dawgs, Melee Fairy, Sharkhead, The Rawnside of Town, 900 lb Gorilla (3p-2a) Sun 6/30: Chekov's Gun, Cursed Machine, Electric Liberace, MAL, Sunnie Daze, Tera,

#### **Strey Cellars**

Velvet West (3p – 2a)

#### 951 N. Rice Ave., Oxnard

Sat 6/29: Vinyl Gypsies Sun 6/30: Dirty Lowdown Sat 7/6: The Renegades Sun 7/7: Midlife Crisis

#### Surf Rodeo

#### Ventura Fairgrounds; 10 W. Harbor

Fri 7/5: Chris Janson, Iam Tongi, Jayden Secor, Shaky Feelin, Sheblime, more... Sat 7/6: Denm, Jim Lindberg, Sullvn, The Aquadolls, Tunnel Vision, Dani Stacy, more...

#### Tony's Pizzeria

#### 186 E. Thompson Blvd., Ventura

Thurs 6/27: The Heavy Hitters Fri 6/28: OnePeople, Singular Nature Sat 6/29: Raging Arb and Friends, Bonnie Boy Sun 6/30: Heart & Soul Sat 7/6: The Bomb

#### Topa Topa Brewing

#### 104 E. Thompson Blvd., Ventura

Wed 6/26: Tsunami Sound, Waves & Sour Fin Sat 6/29: Dhroov, Lizardsmouth, MiniShoppingCart

Sun 6/30: Zephyr Pilots, Top Shelf

#### Topa Topa Brewing

4880 Colt St., Ventura Sun 6/30: The Trivle Omdobble Tues 6/9: Ventura Music James

#### The Twist on Main

454 E. Main St., Ventura Sat 6/29: Brandywine Buskers (1p); Tyler B (3p) Sun 6/30: Will Dickerson (1p); Katie Skene

Tues 7/2:805 The Shakedown open mic

#### Ventura Harbor Village

#### 1559 Spinnaker Dr., Ventura

Wed 6/26: Unkle Monkey (noon); Rey Fresco, Looking West (6p)

#### Ventura Music Hall

#### 1888 E. Thompson Blvd., Ventura Fri 6/28: Allen Stone

Sat 6/29: The Downhill Jam w/Sidekick Fri 7/5: Circles Around the Sun Sat 7/6: The Petty Breakers

#### Winchesters

#### 632 E. Main St., Ventura

MusicThurs 5:30; Fri 7 pm; Sat 3 pm; Sun 3

Fri 6/28: Frank Barajas Trio Sat 6/29: Teresa Russell Sun 6/30: the CocoKnots

#### X Games:

## Ventura Fairgrounds 10 W. Harbor Blvd.,

Fri 6/28: Oxymorrons, AG Club, Wiz Khalifa Sat 6/29: Mija, Devault, Kaskade Sun 6/30: Metalachi, Blame my Youth, Fever

#### 1901 Speakeasy 740 S. B St., Oxnard

#### Fri 6/28: Teresa Russell & Stephen Geyer

Sat 6/29: Bobby Campbell Fri 7/5: Milo Sledge





Beatrice Wood, 1922, Photograph by Jesse Tarbox Beals, Courtesy Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts.

# What is DADA? at the Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts

Kevin Wallace, Founding Director of the Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts, will offer a free Powerpoint presentation on Saturday, July 6th at 4 pm, in conjunction with the closing reception for the Center's American Ceramic Society exhibi-

Beatrice Wood was part of the

Dada Movement and, in sharing her story with visitors at the Center, the question regularly comes up - What is DADA?

It is not an easy question to answer, largely because the artists refused to be defined or categorized. It was also an international movement with a different group of Dadaists in Zurich pursuing somewhat different agendas than those in New York City, or with later incarnations in Berlin and Paris.

At its heart, Dada was an anti-establishment movement created in reaction to World War I, with artists believing that a civilization that embraced such a senseless and tragic war needed to be reinvented. The artists did this by exploring new approaches to art, music, dance, fashion, entertainment, and language itself. The Dada Movement was hugely influential, and its impact is obvious in contemporary art today. While there was no official end to the movement, it segued into Surrealism, with many of the same artists going on to be associated with that art movement.

In his lecture, Wallace will discuss the fascinating artists who were part of the Dada Movement, the philosophies they embraced, and the works they created. It promises to be a fun, educational and thought-provoking event.

The Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts is located at 8585 Ojai-Santa Paula Road in Upper Ojai.



Shifting Dimensions, Torn paper collage, Janet Black

# **Artists Give** Papers Pictorial Permanence

Artists in The Collage Lab, a Buenaventura Art Association offshoot started in 2014 to experiment in collage and mixed media, will show new works in "Ephemera," a July 5-Aug. 31 exhibition in Studio 99 at Bell Arts Factory in Ventura.

Participating members - Janet Black, Karen Hoffberg, Darlene Roker, Wendy Winet, Janna Valenzuela, Karen L. Brown, Joyce Lombard, Dorothea Heger and Tasia Erickson will be on hand for First Friday receptions from 6-9 p.m. July 5 and Aug. 2. The group meets monthly to set creative challenges, share ideas and results, demonstrate techniques, and occasionally to visit galleries.

Collage is from the French verb coller, to glue - a pictorial art form that can include paper and many other materials. Ephemera is defined as "items of memorabilia, often written or printed on paper, originally meant to be discarded after use but that have become collectibles."

The displayed works will incorporate many such items, including postage stamps, handwritten letters, packaging and wrapping paper. Obviously, collectibility is in the eye of the collage artist.

Many group members are not primarily collage artists, but accomplished printmakers, painters, quilters, photographers, weavers, graphic designers, encaustic painters and watercolorists. Some pieces in the exhibit result from challenges by individual members to use a particular material, color, theme, size, etc.; others are works independently created by the artists. Subject matters vary widely, as do techniques.

They also assembled \$10 make-yourown-collage packets, for those who'd like to try the fascinating medium. The packets include several kinds of ephemera in different combinations collected by Collage Lab artists.

A collection of the group members' previous collage artworks is available online for \$10.50 at https://www.blurb. com/b/11624966-the-collage-lab and some will be at the gallery.

Buenaventura Art Association, this year celebrating the 70th anniversary of its 1954 founding, operates Studio 99 at 432 N. Ventura Ave., which is open noon-4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and has an outlet at Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts and a display at SpiceTopia, a Ventura retail store.

Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts, at 1559 Spinnaker Drive, Suite 106, in Ventura Harbor, is open 11 a.m.-6 p.m. seven days a week. SpiceTopia, at 576 E. Main St., is also open daily, but its hours vary.

For more about BAA and its programs, call the gallery at 805-648-1235 or visit buenaventuraartassociation.org.



# Ventura College Foundation Distributes Over \$636,000 In Scholarships

The Ventura College Foundation presented 421 scholarships for the 2024-25 academic year totaling \$636,017 during its 35th Annual Scholarship Awards ceremony, May 16, at the Ventura College Sportsplex Field.

Of the 230 scholarship recipients, many received multiple scholarships. Of the amount awarded, \$583,884 went to general scholarships, \$29,110 was awarded to students focusing on agriculture, advanced manufacturing, diesel mechanics or veterinary tech careers and \$23,023 went to students in paramedic studies.

Continuing students received an average of \$2,417 in scholarships while students transferring to four-year universities received an average of \$3,557. At a minimum, each student received a\$1,000 scholarship.

Each year, the Ventura College Foundation's

Scholarship Review Committee evaluates scholarship applications and scores them following a specific scoring scale. Those who meet all the application requirements and have the highest scores receive scholarships.

A recipient of three Phoenix scholarships Daniel Mendez of Fillmore, is a returning student, having first attended Ventura College almost 10 years ago. He plans to receive his associate degree in Drafting this Fall. "I became interested in drafting because of the many different drafting opportunities that can help change the world we live in," says Mendez. "Ventura College offers tuition help, scholarships and online classes. These are super important to me. I would be forced to take out loans to pay for school. Plus, I have an 11-year-old son who I coach in baseball and football and a one-year-old daughter who needs every bit of attention I can give."

Mendez hopes to secure a planner position with Southern California Edison after graduation. "My education at Ventura College has given me the power to get the training and experience that I need to go out and get a career that feeds my family."

"With rising college costs, scholarships can mean the difference between students being able to continue with their education or having to drop out," says Nicole Kreutz, chair of the Ventura College Foundation board of directors. "Scholarship funds help offset tuition, books and other expenses. They can be a game changer."

Gabrielle MacNeill of Simi Valley, a member of the Ventura College water polo and swim teams, is transferring to Cal State Northridge in the Fall. She received multiple scholarships including the Miriam and Henry Schwab Memorial Aquatics Scholarship given to students involved in aquatics. A swim instructor, she teaches kids with physical and cognitive disabilities. MacNeill will major in psychology and possibly obtain a master's degree in occupational therapy to continue her work helping kids.

Her experience at Ventura College has been positive. "I always feel very welcomed whenever I walk on the Ventura College campus," says Gabrielle. "The professors really care about their students. They take the time to know each of us. Moving on to the next chapter of my education, these scholarships will reduce the financial stress and enable me to pay for tuition and housing expenses."

Multi-scholarship recipient Frank Smith has set his sights on owning his own business. A family emergency caused him to relocate to Florida after he had enrolled in Cal State, Channel Islands out of high school. He later returned to California and entered Ventura College. He will finish his studies in the Fall and transfer to the University of West Florida where he will major in Business Management. An avid swimmer, he works as a lifeguard with the Surf Rescue/Beach Safety Division of the Navarre Beach Fire Department. He would love to parlay his love of being an athlete to starting a company in the pain management field.

"Tve had excellent professors and Ventura College," says Smith. "I owe my educational success to Ventura College and the opportunities it offers. I didn't have a college fund. Through these scholarships, I can go to school without taking loans. The financial resources are out there. You just have to find them."

"The drive and dedication our students show is truly amazing," says Kreutz. "They are an inspiration to all of us."

The Ventura College Foundation is grateful for the continuing support of scholarship event sponsors. They include Edison International, Searle Creative, Bank of the Sierra, L&T Catering, Miracle Mile Advisors, Ohana Pet Hospital, LetzChat, Trinity Wheeler Photography and Luners Production Services.

Scholarship applications will be accepted for the next academic year beginning in the Fall. For more about the Ventura College Foundation and donation opportunities, go to https:// venturacollegefoundation.org.

Ventura College Foundation

Established in 1983, the Ventura College Foundation transforms students' lives through education by providing innovative and vital resources and financial support. The Foundation collaborates with Ventura College to enhance human potential, civic engagement, careers, and academic success of students enabling their effective impact and legacy on the college, local workforce, and our community. The Foundation also hosts the Ventura College Foundation Marketplace; an outdoor shopping experience held every weekend on the Ventura College campus. For more information, contact Julie Harvey at (805) 289-6502 or jharvey@vcccd.edu or visit www.VenturaCollegeFoundation.org.

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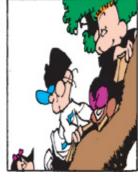














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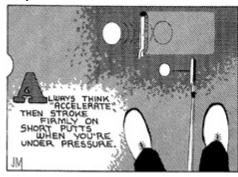


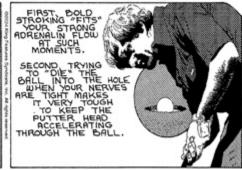






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by Linda Thistle

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# **Show Time**

A View from House Seats

# Laughter Slaughters on Santa Paula Stage

by Shirley Lorraine

The Santa Paula Theatre Center continues its season of all comedies with Women in Jeopardy by Wendy MacLeod. Full of good old-fashioned chuckles and guffaws, the cast delivers with tongues firmly in cheek.

Billed as Thelma and Louise meets The First Wives Club, Women n Jeopardy invites the audience to leave logic at the door and just enjoy the frantic and often absurd antics of the characters. The plot is admittedly thin (or complex, depending on how you count the threads), centering around three divorced friends of ages past youth and before senility. There are still wild oats

to be sowed, and Liz (Leslie Upson) is fully engaged in this endeavor via her infatuation with her new beau Jackson (Ron Feltner), an odd duck dentist. Striking suspicious chords with Liz's friends Mary (Jessi May Stevenson) and Jo (Theresa Secor), Jackson proceeds to display signs that lead the ladies to believe he may have a sinister streak. Coincidence? Perhaps.

As suspicions grow, the action becomes increasingly absurd when a local policeman, Kirk (also Ron Feltner) appears to look just like the dentist. Mary and Jo attempt, without success, to alert the police that

Jackson may in fact be the serial killer currently being sought based on tiny threads of circumstantial evidence, mostly woven by the fabric of their minds. They cite that Liz's daughter Amanda (Amber Shea Hodge) plans to go camping in a remote area with Jackson and they fear for her safety. Mary then engages Amber's off and on boyfriend Trenner (Christopher Craven) in a plot that is completely misconstrued, to Mary's consternation and the delight of the audience.

The movable set pieces employed in this production provide a panoply of backdrops, while mysterious figures in dimmed lighting gleefully change props to stealthy music. It is as much fun to watch the scene changes as the play itself. Each of the actors give sterling, enthusiastic, broad performances. As an ensemble, they work beautifully together. Direction by Sarah Broughton is tight and keeps the audience guessing. Ron Feltner shines in the dual role of

Jackson/Kirk, giving each character singularity. Christpher Craven is a blast to watch as he side-winds his way from gawky teenager to would-be lothario.

Leslie Upson is clearly having a grand time throwing caution to the winds, playing her role with abandon. Jessi May Stevenson and Theresa Secor are exemplary foils, Stevenson as the instigator and Secor as the stereotypical oft-overlooked second banana. Both are on high alert as they go above and beyond to "rescue" their friend. Amber Shea Hodge provides the perky playfulness of petulant youth needed to balance the frantic moms.

Women in Jeopardy is an evening of laughs from unexpected points of view. For a good time, call Santa Paula Theatre Center to reserve seats.

Women in Jeopardy continues Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through July 21, 2024. www.santapaulatheatercenter.org (805)

Featuring the works of nine artists, it

serves as a testament to the museum's

commitment to showcasing diverse

artistic practices and artists who are in-

novating in their respective fields (runs

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through May 11, 2025).

### **Streaming Spotlight by Cindy Summers** The Boys in the Boat

- Prime Video



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

"The Boys in the Boat" was produced and directed by George Clooney and based on true events involving the 1936 Washington University JV rowing team and their journey to the Summer Olympics. In 1936, Joe Rantz (Callum Turner) was studying engineering at the University of Washington in Seattle. Due to the depression, jobs were scarce so in order to pay his tuition Joe decided to tryout for the university rowing team along with his friend Jim McMillin (Wil Coban), which provided them with a part-time job and place to live if they made the team.

The team was coached by Head Coach Al Ulbrickson (Joel Edgerton) and Coach Tom Bolles (James Wolk) who told the crowd of nearly two hundred young men that gathered that they were looking for the eight most qualified young men to fill out the JV boat. The next few weeks they were overwhelmed with extreme physical endurance challenges

while also learning proper rowing techniques.

Joe and Jim both made the team, even though neither had ever done any rowing before tryouts. Each position in the boat played aspecific role in rowing the boat. One through three were tasked with using the proper technique to keep the boat on course, four through six were like the engine room providing power, seven set the pace and eight the stroke. Joe was assigned to seat seven while Jim was assigned to seat five. After a mediocre start, Coach Ulbrickson switched the JV boat to experienced coxswain Bobby Moch (Luke Slattery) and the team started performing better.

They were trying to get ready for the upcoming Pacific Coast Regatta on Lake Washington against their rivals the Cal Bears of Berkley, who had won the regatta for many consecutive years. The JV teams raced first and Washington let Cal keep the lead until the halfway mark, then Washington surged passed Cal and were neck and neck three quarters down the course with Washington pulling ahead a full boat length to win with a time nine seconds under the coarse record. Next was the four-mile Poughkeepsie Regatta in New York for a chance at participating in the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin, Germany.

Coach Ulbrickson took a chance that risked his job and chose to have the Washington IV team compete instead of the varsity team. Joe had seen his long-lost dad in Seattle which caused him to perform badly at practice so the coach benched him for the race. Just as in the race against Cal, Bobby kept the team back through the first half of the race letting the other teams think they had easily bested Washington, but again they took off in the second half and beat Navy, Cal and the other privileged eastern schools to clinch their spot on the U.S. Olympic Team.

They traveled to Nazi Germany, but upon arriving eighth-seat rower Don Hume (Jack Mulhern) fell ill. Don was able to row in the qualifiers and the team set an Olympic record, but it took a toll on Don. Adolf Hitler attended the finals expected the Germans to win gold in all of the rowing events. When the starting gun sounded, Bobby didn't hear it and the team was off to a bad start and Don was struggling to keep the pace, but Bobby's great leadership turned things around and led the team to a photo finish with Italy and Germany, with the U.S. winning the gold

"The Boys in the Boat" is inspiring not only by the underdog triumphs of the team, but also the faith and trust Coach Al Ulbrickson had in risking his career in an unconventional move that brought home Olympic gold. Runtime: 2h 6m

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#### **Museum Celebrates New Exhibition** Continued from page 8 Yoshimoto's intimate connection with

nature, to the innovative ceramic glazing techniques of Beatrice Wood and Vivika, Otto Heino and Cheryl Ann Thomas (runs through Jan. 5, 2025).

Artists included in the exhibition: Jessie Arms Botke / Omar D'León / Otto Heino / Vivika Heino /Cheryl Ann Thomas / Beatrice Wood / Hiroko Yoshimoto.

#### **InnoVision: Ventura County Artists** to Watch

Celebrates the innovation and the artistic spirit of Ventura County. This interactive exhibition highlights the work of nine Ventura County artists. Through their innovative use of common materials, they create installations that reflect their personal views on current issues such as the environment, immigration, identity, the housing shortage, and changing land usage in Ventura County. Embracing core values of inclusivity, boldness, empathy, and integrity, this is more than an art exhibition; it is a reflection of Ventura County, a community with vigor and creativity.



Artist Jasmine Delgado



Images by Sheldon Brown

Artist Luke Matjas



# Officiate high-school volleyball in the Ventura area

The Channel Coast Volleyball Association will have their first meeting for those wishing to officiate high-school girls' matches during the upcoming fall season which begins in early August.

The Association referees matches in all cities in Ventura County. New officials are welcome including college students. This meeting will be held Monday, July 8 and July 15, at 6 p.m., Room G 109 near the gym at Oxnard High School, 3400 W. Gonzalez Rd. All training will be provided.

To fill out an application, visit channelcoastofficials.org

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# X Games Ignites Adventure: Local Elementary School Scores Learn-to-Ride Bicycle Program

All Kids Bike is on a mission to teach every child in America how to ride a bike in kindergarten PE class.

All Kids Bike, the national nonprofit teaching kindergarten students how to ride bikes in PE class, is activating their All Kids Bike Kindergarten PE Learn-to-Ride Program at Lincoln Elementary School, thanks to a generous donation from X Games.

The comprehensive program includes teacher training and certification, a fleet of 24 balance-to-pedal Strider bikes, pedal conversion kits, helmets, an instructional bike for teachers, two rolling storage racks, and access to a resource portal with live support for the duration of the program. Lincoln Elementary celebrated the introduction of the program with a kickoff event alongside X Games representatives and Visit Ventura

attendees

X Games' gift is given in memory of five-time BMX medalist Pat Casey in hopes of inspiring the next generation to love bikes as much as Pat did. "X Games is proud to honor legendary BMX innovator Pat Casey by giving the next generation of local Ventura elementary students the chance to learn to ride a bike," said, Valerie Ryan, Vice President of Fan Experience, X Games. "We can't think of a better way to continue Pat's legacy while also giving back to the Ventura community."

"We are thrilled and deeply grateful for the generous donation from X Games," said Lisa Weyer, Executive Director of All Kids Bike. "This support is invaluable in helping us achieve our mission of teaching every child in America how to ride a bike in kindergarten PE class. The X Games' commitment to fostering a love of sports and outdoor activities aligns perfectly with our goal of empowering kids with the lifelong skill of biking. Together, we are paving the way for a healthier, more active future for our children."

Lincoln Elementary won a district-wide contest put on by the Expanded Learning Programs that aligned with key goals for students in reading, attendance, and creativity. Because of the students' dedication at Lincoln Elementary, they were announced the recipients of the All Kids Bike Kindergarten PE Learn-to-Ride Program. At Lincoln Elementary, this program will positively impact approximately 50 expanded learning students each year. With a lifespan of 7-10 years for the equipment, it is estimated that up to 500 students will benefit from this initiative over the next decade.

Superintendent of Ventura Unified School District, Dr. Antonio Castro, is

looking forward to the program's implementation. "We are grateful to X Games and All Kids Bike for bringing this exceptional program to the Ventura Unified School District. This initiative provides our youngest students with fundamental bike riding skills and promotes physical activity, confidence, and independence. By equipping our staff with the necessary tools and training, they are ensuring that this program will have a lasting, positive impact on our community for many years to come." X Games and All Kids Bike are committed to enriching the lives of young learners and cultivating valuable skills through the joy of bike riding. This collaborative effort exemplifies their dedication to building healthier, happier communities, one pedal at a time.

The All Kids Bike Kindergarten PE Learn-to-Ride Program launched in 2018 with a simple mission: to give every child in America the opportunity to learn how to ride a bike in school. The program includes everything needed to teach thousands of students at a school for 7-10 years: teacher training and certification, a fleet of 24 balance-to-pedal Strider bikes, pedal conversion kits, helmets, an instructional bike and helmet for the teacher, 2 rolling metal bike storage racks, and access to a resource portal and live support for the life of the program. Supported by the Strider Education Foundation, All Kids Bike Kindergarten PE Learnto-Ride Programs are active in over 1,400 schools across all 50 states, teaching more than 100,000 kids to ride each year. In 2023, the Strider Education Foundation added the All Abilities Bike Inclusive Learn-to-Ride Program to empower older individuals with developmental disabilities with the life skill of riding a bicycle. For more information visit www.allkidsbike.org

# **Business Profile**



# RV Services Company LLC

Welcome to Safe Travels RV Services Company LLC, where our motto is "Wishing You Safe Travels." Located in Ventura, California, Safe Travels RV Services provides mobile services dedicated to ensuring your RV adventures are as smooth and as safe as possible.

This husband and wife team, Bill Meyer and Lisa Edwards, are passionate outdoor enthusiasts. Retired in 2023 as an electrical engineer, Bill is an NRVIA-certified RV inspector, solar designer/installer, certified infrared thermographer and registered technician. Lisa spent 25 years as an educator and retired in 2021. She co-owns and managed the day to day operations.

As lifelong outdoor enthusiasts, they have always treasured camping and exploring nature. Over the years, their love for comfort while camping grew, leading them to embrace RV travel. Some call it glamping, but they see it as motorized camping. They understand the frustration of travel mishaps, such as

water leaks, refrigerator and generator issues and electrical trouble and they are dedicated to helping travelers avoid and resolve these problems.

At Safe Travels RV Services, they offer comprehensive RV inspections for new or used RVs, from small trailers to class A motor coaches and everything in between.

There's an inspection process which involves detailed visual observations and instrument-based measurements of every aspect of one's RV. This provides customers with a complete report on the current condition of the vehicle. Inspections provide clients with peace of mind and valuable information to support a difficult decision-making process.

In addition, Safe Travels RV Services offers maintenance, solar installation, and RV educational services to keep travelers safe on the road.

Their mission is to ensure travel safety and peace of mind, allowing travelers to create lifelong memories. Bill's engineering expertise and Lisa's educational background provide a unique, customer-focused approach. They prioritize educating their clients, empowering them to enjoy their RVs to the fullest. Safe Travels RV Services Company LLC is a member of the Ventura Chamber and the Better Business Bureau and serves Ventura and Santa Barbara counties.









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