

HOLLYWOOD PARK HERALD NEWSLETTER

FALL 2014



MOVIE NIGHT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2014

Come to our 3rd Annual Movie Night where we will be showing *Despicable Me 2*! This family friendly movie is a fun way to spend the evening under the stars. Bring a blanket, low backed chairs or even a sleeping bag to sit on the lawn. Feel free to dress up like a minion!

Hollywood Park Elementary
4915 Harte Way
6pm Ice Cream Social
8pm Movie Showtime (dusk)

Prior to the movie beginning, we will be hosting our annual Ice Cream Social with lots of great tasting sundaes to enjoy! So come early, eat some ice cream and stake out your claim on the grass. We will also have our famous hot dog meal deals available for those who want more than just ice cream.

A BIG thank you to Vice Mayor Jay Schenirer and the District 5 team for sponsoring our Movie Night!

DESPICABLE ME 2



Hollywood Park Business Briefs

by Greg Brown

Raley's Gets A Makeover

The Raley's on Freeport Boulevard has really stepped things up. They have repainted the entire front of the building and spiffed up the classic neon Raley's sign. They have an all new interior; the outdated orange has been replaced with modern brown. "Farm To Fork For You" signs made of dark wood and more tract lighting to set a mood. I also noticed more lighting in the liquor aisle...easier to see the Fireball Whisky! The employees are also using headphones and mics to communicate...no more "Cleanup in aisle 5" over the loudspeaker.

Raley's has also been playing hipper tunes over the speaker system, too. I actually heard Prince! I even saw a dad doing some air guitar near the Doritos. Raley's has also finally caved to the craft beer revolution and is now offering Track 7's finest Pale Ale. They labeled it "A Bomber Sale" right up front when I walked into the supermarket.

Check out the new and improved Raley's on Freeport.

Another local business getting a makeover is the **Jade Fountain Café** in the little strip mall on Freeport.

The Jade Fountain Café has been closed for remodeling since March. There have been quite a few hungry diners dropping by only to find a sign saying, "Closed for remodeling". The management also thanked their valuable customers for their patronage over the years. There is a slew of Chinese restaurants in the little strip mall, but Jade Fountain Café seems to be a local favorite. Folks love the porridge!

There has been an old storage pod in front of the restaurant since the middle of March with no activity, until recently. When I dropped by the family owned restaurant the jovial owner, Randy Lee, told me they were making some upgrades to the place. Keeping some old, adding some new. Lee told me they'll have more comfortable seating for diners, they're opening up the kitchen area, and making the restaurant brighter with new paint and interior.

Lee added, "It's gonna look nice!"

He also told me they're replacing the worn, faded, sign in front of the restaurant. Look for the grand re-opening at the end of August.

A lot of Hollywood Park neighbors are wondering, "When is **Fountainhead Brewing Company** opening?"

Daniel Moffat, one of the owners/brewmaster, was asked that question at the last Hollywood Park General Meeting and he mentioned late July. We are now in August and TS Auto still has some cars on the property and there doesn't seem to be much construction or cleanup going on. I sent a message to Daniel and he said, "We're hesitant to spec-

ify a date at this point. We are in progress with the City but it will take some time. Meanwhile, we have prepped our brewing/fermenting space and are ready to take shipment of our equipment." Fountainhead still needs to get inspected and approved by the City.

As soon as that happens, they'll start brewing and have a better timeline to share as far as when the brewery will open. They don't expect it to be more than a couple months but they don't want to put a date on it yet. Daniel added, "We can't wait to get the beer flowing!"

Angel Pet Care Correction

And in the last Business Brief the website for Angel Pet Care was incorrect. It's www.angelpetcare.net. If you have a business brief or would like to become a Hollywood Park business member contact me at McGregorradio@comcast.net

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A Note from Karla
HPNA President



Hello! We had a great summer in Hollywood Park with tons of events both formal and informal like a social gathering at the Swiss Buda to our lovely 4th of July Parade to National Night Out.

It is clear to see that we all love our neighborhood and enjoy the

opportunity to strengthen our relationships with our neighbors. We truly live in a great place and are proud of it. With that, the board has decided to embark on putting HP on the map! Read on to find out more in the newsletter. Don't forget to save the date to our annual Ice Cream Social & Movie Night on September 6th!

See you around the neighborhood!
Karla

Mark Your Calendar For These Events!

Neighborhood Events

SCUSD First Day of School - September 2nd

St. Roberts Fall Festival & Crafts Fair

September 28th from 10am to 4pm
Food, games, bingo and handmade crafts

Hollywood Park Elementary Fall Fest - October 17th

Senior Tea & Tours, Sacramento Zoo

Mondays, September 8, 15 - 9:30 am to Noon, SacZoo.org
This program is for seniors only (ages 55 and over) on selected Mondays. All Tea & Tours programs start at the front gate of the Zoo at 9:30 am and will last until about Noon.

Deaf Awareness Days, Sacramento Zoo

September 13 - 10 am to 3 pm, SacZoo.org
Join us for a special day for our deaf and hard of hearing community sponsored by NorCal Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The Zoo will have ASL interpreters on site for the event. There are limited facilities for service animals. Please call (916) 808-5888 in advance.

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Hollywood Park Neighborhood Survey

The Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association would like to hear from you! From now until the end of the year, the association will be conducting a survey to understand the needs of community in order to better serve you. We believe that this survey will serve to be a great tool for the future of the neighborhood and are hoping for as many responses as possible. Please help us out and make sure to take the time to complete a survey. A link to the survey can be found on the HPNA web site at

www.HollywoodPark95822.org. We will also have paper copies of the survey available at our ice cream social and other neighborhood association events. We ask that only one survey be completed per household.

Help Put Hollywood Park on the Map

Do you ever find yourself fumbling around for ways to describe our neighborhood? Do you periodically encounter geographical bewilderment accompanied by “Hollywood Park? Where’s that?” Well, perhaps there is something that can be done to point the way. How about a sign?

Calling all artists, craftspeople, or anyone with a creative itch that needs urgent scratching! HPNA is in the very preliminary stages of exploring options for the possible construction of a neighborhood sign. Although no location has been officially approved, the Association is working with the City to determine whether the neighborhood sign could be built on the city-owned property adjacent to the bus stop on the corner of Freeport Blvd., Stacia Way & Shielah Way.

If you have design or construction skills or any related acumen that you would like to lend to this effort, or would simply like to submit a design idea, please contact John Maradik-Symkowitz at jjsym@hotmail.com by September 30th. If the project is able to move forward as intended, the HPNA board plans to pick a set of final designs to be voted on at a neighborhood association general meeting.

Center for Sacramento History, Eugene Hepting Collection, 1985/024/6317



In Other Sign News...

Outgoing Sacramento City School Board (and long time HP resident) President Patrick Kennedy is responsible for the sign. He said, “Consider the signs my last act as Sacramento School Board President”. (He had heard and seen about all the issues on the HP FB group page.)

Photo credit: Greg Brown



HP Produce Exchange

by Christina Maradik-Symkowitz

Though many might not be aware, several HP neighbors get together every so often to share the bounty of their gardens and fruit trees and, more than anything, just to come hang out and get to know one another as part of the Hollywood Park Produce Exchange. Even if you don’t have any fruit or vegetables to exchange in any one particular season, please come out to meet your fellow food growing neighbors. Most times there is extra for everyone!



Recently, the produce exchange has delved into the burgeoning Hollywood Park food preservation scene. Jams, preserves, pickles and other canned items are all highly encouraged! Please be aware of the produce exchange etiquette: While all are welcome to unburden willing neighbors of their over abundant gardens and trees for a kind smile and a polite thank you, taking preserved items without offering other tangible items for exchange is generally frowned upon. For info or to sign up for the Exchange’s e-blast, send an email to Christina at maradik@gmail.com.

Mangan Pool Makes a Comeback in 2014 Summer Heat

by John Maradik-Symkowitz

On a sweltering Friday afternoon in late July, Hollywood Park's neighborhood swimming pool, Mangan Pool, was buzzing with activity. Kids of all ages were enjoying a welcome respite from the summer furnace of Sacramento at this city operated public pool just south of Fruitridge Road at 34th Avenue and Dana Way. The namesake of the pool, James Mangan, a former city lifeguard and playground supervisor who became superintendent of the city recreation department and was dubbed in 1941 by the Sacramento Bee to be a "pal to 5,000 youngsters," would have been incredibly proud. Especially considering that a mere two years ago, Mangan's cool waters were closed due to city budget constraints.

Last year, thanks to the Measure U sales tax increase and the efforts of our own District 5 councilman, the recently re-elected Vice Mayor Jay Schenirer, Mangan was able to be kept open for three days per week. This summer, those same efforts have been able to ensure that neighborhood children and families can swim six days a week from Monday through Saturday. On top of that, the city offered free swimming lessons at Mangan this summer, of which every session was filled to capacity.

Coming out of this turbulent period, the city had fairly low expectations for the summer of 2014. All of which were proved wrong. Karly Hammack, Manager of Mangan Pool



was told at the beginning of the summer not to expect more than five people at the pool per day. Hammack is happy to report that although Mangan was not one of the busiest pools city, she made big efforts to "be attentive to the needs and desires of the community of loyal regulars" and through word of mouth, the somewhat isolated pool was able to dispel all expectations to the contrary and once again become a cornerstone of the community.

Mangan Pool is now closed as of August 23rd, but expect similar or even expanded programs next year--anyone interested in a swimming team? The pool costs just \$2 per child age 17 and under and \$4 for adults, features a diving board and is handicapped accessible. Along with swimming lessons, the pool offers water aerobics classes and a junior lifeguard program.

Hollywood Park Neighbors: Help Feed Zoo Animals!

by Lindsey Moseanko

Hello! This is your resident Zoo-Keeper, Lindsey, who lives right here in Hollywood Park. Sacramento Zoo has recently reached out to the community to get the word out about our "Browse Program". Basically, Browse is nontoxic vegetation, such as leafy branches, eaten by animals. Browse is fed daily to the exotic animals at the zoo- along with their prescribed zoo diets.

"Which animals?" you ask: Species such as giraffes, chimps, antelope, lemurs, and kangaroos!



"How can I help?" You can donate your tree and shrub trimmings! Save time and energy by donating your vegetation instead of cutting and cramming it into your yard bin. Many trees and shrubs, such as Ash, Mulberry, Camelia, Citrus, Photinia, and Magnolia are all edible!

For more info and a full list of edible plants and trees, visit: saczoo.org/browse or contact (916) 808-5888 or browse@saczoo.org. Pick ups by zoo staff must be coordinated, and drop-offs to zoo are by appointment. Also, all browse donated must be cut fresh.

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NEWS

Hello Hollywood Park Friends and Neighbors!

I hope you all had a fabulous summer. We are back at work at HPE and super excited for the new school year to begin! HPE received a new roof this summer and a fresh coat of paint. The trees that face Harte Way were unfortunately removed as well. As many of you know, the trees were sick and badly infested with mistletoe. It was impossible to save them. We are very sad about this but have plans to replace them when the drought ends. My PTO is currently working on campus beautification in the front of the school near our Kindergarten and Preschool rooms. Stop by and take a look when you attend the next HPNA meeting here.

We still have a few spots left in our Kindergarten program. If you are looking to switch schools or you missed our enrollment window, there is still time to get in. Call us or stop by for information. In looking ahead, plan on attending our school's Fall Festival on Friday, October 17th from 3-6. There will be plenty of fun games, good food, and entertainment.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at Movie Night on Saturday, September 6th!

Tenley Luke
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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

The Board of Directors would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make HPNA a successful organization. We encourage others to volunteer a few hours a year by working at an event or joining one of our committees.

Email hpna95822@gmail.com if you can help!



Join Hollywood Park neighbors on Nextdoor.com, the private social network for our own neighborhood! Thanks to everyone who has been referring neighbors to join!

Nextdoor Update: 201 Households in Hollywood Park (11%) Are Online!

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