

HOLLYWOOD PARK HERALD NEWSLETTER
WINTER/SPRING 2013 . VOLUME ONE



Upcoming: General Meeting
Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Hollywood Park School . Multipurpose Room
6:00 p.m. Social & 6:30 p.m. Meeting

Speakers Include:

Teri Duarte, Executive Director, WALKSacramento
Warren Smith, Sacramento Pro Soccer, United Soccer League

Join HPNA . Refreshments . Raffle

Everyone Welcome!

Produce Exchange Table

For more information contact Christina Maradik at maradik@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENT: Annual Plant Sale, May 18, 2013



A Note from Karla HPNA President

Dear Neighbors -

I am honored and humbled to have been elected as the president of the Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association. I know that I have big shoes to fill but I'm up for the challenge. Here's a little bit of background about me - My other half (Dan) and I bought our house on 23rd Avenue two years ago in March after we fell in love with the neighborhood (and crashed a HPNA meeting before putting in an offer!). I find myself saying, "I LOVE my neighborhood" on more occasions than I can count. A big part of that has to do with the fact that the community comes together for many reasons - school fund-raisers, 4th of July Parade, supporting local businesses and others.

We've made some updates in the last year that I hope that you have noticed - a new look, a new web-site and increased communications. We have a monthly short e-blast that goes out with a few neighborhood updates and events. If you would like to be on the e-blast, sign up at www.hollywoodpark95822.org. We also need volunteers for events and committees, so if you would like to participate, send us an email at hpna95822@gmail.com and let us know.

One last request, I would love to meet all of you so please feel free to say hello if you see me walking around the neighborhood or at the general meetings.

Meet your HPNA Board of Directors



From Left to Right - Eileen Cunningham, Jon Sevier, John Maradik-Symkowitz (Treasurer), Becky McReynolds (Vice President), Chanel Elder, John Reiger (Business Members), Karla Fung (President), Pat Pederson, Irene Wilson-Kabota (Secretary)

HPNA Plant Sale

Saturday, May 18, 2013



Our Annual Plant Sale
and Exchange will be at
4116 Lotus Avenue from
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

We have a great supply of plants
this year, so come early because
they go quickly!

Pot up some of your plants! You can
exchange or buy ours at
very low prices.

See you there!

THANK YOU to our awesome Hollywood Park Volunteers 2012

Val Anderson, Ben Anders, Toshi Akiyama, Artemio Armenta, Eloise and Matt Bistis, Mike Bowdish, Laura Brown, Jeremy Busch, Eileen Cunningham and Josh, Barbara Cox, Shirley Cabrera, Becca Dehr, Catherine Duncan, Evelyn and Ted Dowell, Chantel Elder, Greg Elmasian, Mike Essery, Mitzi Eiri, Dan Fisher, David Fraga, Karla Fung, John Gidding, Lois Gray, Sandy Hampton, Carol Hedrick, Lynn Humphreys, Cindi, Kenzie and Merle Jones, Edna Johnson, Debbie Keller, Judy and Patrick Kennedy, Mary Kennedy, Gina and Chris Knepp, Mike Kubota, Cecelia Longera, Lucy McGinness, Becky McReynolds, Heather Magee, Tom and Christopher Maginnes, Christina and John Maradik-Symkowitz, Joan and Tomio Masaki, Jo Matranga, Elizabeth and Eric Miura, Linda Oliveras, Cassie and Chad Opcutt, Pat Pederson, Sue Pezone, John Reiger, Janelle Rattigan, Charles Rainoldi, Bev Richardson, Mona Royster, Randy Rubiales, Carolyn and Bob Rutherford, Mike Saab, Joseph Sapsis, Pearl Schultz, Sarah Schubert, Jon Sevier, Sarah Singleton, Kathy Spitzer, Ski Taylor, Val and Peter Turella, Patty Turner, Delores and Vincent Valdez, Estella Vasquez, Lisa and Terry Viega, Greg Wellman, Tim Weisbeck, Irene Wilson, Dennis Wright and any others we have missed.

Hollywood Park Elementary School Happenings



Thank you to all the neighbors who came to Bingo Night. We had a smashing turn-out and the night was a lot of fun! We plan to turn this into an annual event.

We are currently selling Z Best books to the public. These can be purchased in our office. The books are \$20 and carry a wide variety of very good coupons for neighboring businesses and throughout Sacramento. Support the local community!

Our school is currently accepting applications for kindergarten through the enrollment center at the Serna Center. We will be pushing for a preschool and an extended day Kinder program. Call our school and set-up an appointment to tour our Kindergarten rooms.

Our last day of school is June 13th, with the 14th as a teacher work day. The campus will be used by HPNA a couple times over the summer to hold meetings. The **HPNA is planning on holding movie night here on September 7th, after Labor Day!**

Thank you -Tenley Luke
Hollywood Park Elementary
School Principal

HPNA Membership Update!

Thank you HP neighbors for increasing our membership.

We went from 40 members in January to 180 members!

We are still short of our normal membership, which is over 200, but we're getting there. Please encourage your neighbors to join. We appreciate all your help and support!



CITY BEAT

By John Maradik-Symkowick

The City Beat is a brand new addition to the HPNA newsletter. In every issue, City Beat will aim to provide updates on a few local government topics of interest to Hollywood Park. If you have any suggestions for City Beat, please e-mail the author at jjsym@hotmail.com.

Freeport Boulevard Bike Lanes Project

At its November 8th meeting, the city council voted 6 to 1 to approve the project to add designated bike lanes on Freeport Boulevard between Sutterville Road and 4th Avenue. Passage was greeted by cheers from a room full of supporters, including students from McClatchy High School, many of whom spearheaded the effort. McClatchy student Ishmael Castro testified that the current four-lane Freeport, former state highway, is a "straightaway to a coffin."

Freeport Boulevard will be converted into a "complete street" with five-foot bike lanes in both directions. Traffic lanes will be reduced to three, a north and south lane and a turning lane. Parking will be eliminated on the west side of Freeport and only available on the east side from City College at 11th Ave. to McClatchy High School at Bidwell Way. The project is scheduled to begin in 2014.

Summer Swimming is Back!

Measure U Revenue to Keep Mangan Pool Open Half-Time in 2013

An often forgotten feature of Hollywood Park is that we are located within walking distance of a public swimming pool. Yes, it's true! Just one block south of Fruitridge Road, on the northern border of Executive Airport sits James Mangan Park and in it, Mangan Pool. For many years, Mangan Pool was a wonderful place to cool down on those sweltering Sacramento summer days. Many neighborhood children even learned to swim at the pool. Although the city has been forced to close Mangan and several other pools for the last few years citing budget shortfalls, City Beat is happy to report that Measure U sales tax revenue will keep almost all of the pools open this summer, including our very own Mangan Pool!

City staff had originally proposed that only the six pools and five wading pools opened in 2012 through a Save Mart donation remain open for 2013. After some coaxing from the City Council, city staff revised the proposal to keep all but two pools open, Mangan and Oki pool in College Greens. The City Council, thanks in part to the urging of our own councilman, Jay Schenirer, amended that proposal at their March 12th meeting to shift Measure U revenue to allow for one pool crew to split time between Mangan and Oki keeping both pools open half time.

Mangan Pool almost didn't make the cut because it had the third lowest attendance of all city pools. Let's see if we can change that this summer! Please make sure to visit Mangan Pool at 2230 34th Avenue so future Hollywood Park generations can continue to enjoy it in all it's chlorinated glory.

School Closings

Sacramento City Unified School District continues to be a victim of demographics. Enrollment for the 2012-13 school year is down by approximately 800 students and 2013-14 should be very similar. The district's elementary schools are operating at just 56 percent of enrollment capacity. Overall, the district has determined that 11 schools are severely under-enrolled and is recommending that they be closed. According to the district, under-enrolled schools ultimately lead to fewer resources for students, staff and families.

Hollywood Park's schools will remain open and were never discussed as possible candidates for closure. However, Collis P. Huntington Elementary, immediately to the south in the neighborhood of Brentwood was on the list of proposed school closures at the writing of this article. Those students who attend Collis P. Huntington and reside in the northern section of that school boundary will be assigned to Hollywood Park Elementary. The school board was scheduled to vote on the closures at the February 21st meeting.

Garden Light

by Valerigjeanne Anderson

Spring came, and so did the rain! Try not to walk on the damp soil in your garden. Plants like fluffy soil so their roots can spread freely. Compacted soil not only stunts the plants, it also discourages the earthworms that enrich our gardens. If the garden is too large to reach from the walkways, add a few stepping stones.

Want weed-free gardens? Be careful when you remove the weed crop you have now. Just slice the root with a hoe or trowel, and try not to disturb much soil. Weed seeds are viable for years, and are just waiting to get to the surface for light to sprout. Keeping the soil undisturbed does not let the light get to them. Mulch, such as pine needles, chopped leaves and homemade or commercial compost will keep the beds neat and feed the soil.

Last year I had lots of almond blossoms but only a handful of almonds. It was well into the growing season before noticed large lumps on the branches and found the culprits. Snails! I had no idea that snails would live 5 feet off the ground in a tree, but with tender blossoms and leave surrounding them, they were fat and happy. This year they will meet a barrier if they try coming up the trunk. I am trying a couple of things – Tanglefoot on a tape and copper wire. It seems snails will not cross over copper, as it gives them a sensation like electric shock. Now I know why the plantings at those beach cottages were in copper pots! We shall see which is most effective.

What are you doing the third Saturday in May? That is our annual HPNA Plant exchange day. So as you start your spring gardening, plant a few extra seeds and pot up those crowded plants you are removing – you can trade them for different plants at the exchange.

Happy gardening!

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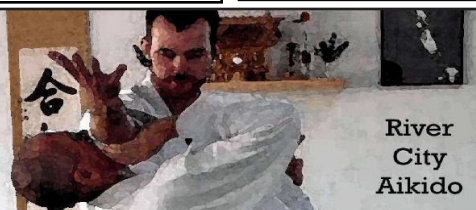
Kline Music is Sacramento's longest running family-owned and operated music store. They started as a music school in the basement of the Kline family home. After selling reeds, guitar strings, manuscript paper, lesson books and other

accessories for the convenience of their students, Betty Kline, in 1963, leased a retail space on Franklin Blvd. and founded Kline Music as a music school and retail store that soon grew to be a full-line music store." In the early 70s, they moved to a strip mall on 47th and in 1980, Kline Music purchased their own building located at 2200 Sutterville Road across from Sacramento City College. They progressed into one of Sacramento's most diversified and well respected music stores with a depth of inventory that is truly impressive. Kline Music carries band and orchestra instruments, guitars, drums, and keyboards as well as ethnic instruments from around the world. In addition, they have a truly impressive selection of print music. They serve the beginning to the serious musician; have a teaching staff of 27 and nearly 700 private music students a week. Kline Music is grateful to all the musicians they have come to know and serve throughout the years. It is a pleasure for them to open their doors for business everyday. Visit their web site at klinemusic.com to read about sales, lessons, rentals and repairs.

"I am proud to say that Kline Music employs four generations of the Kline family and continues to be family-owned and operated," said Penny Kline of Kline Music.



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Aging, cracked sidewalks in Hollywood Park

By Artemio Armenta & Becky McReynolds

Many of the cracks along Hollywood Park's

sidewalks reflect the signs of concrete poured more than six decades ago. In older and more established communities like Hollywood Park, Curtis Park, and Land Park – cracks in sidewalks are common. Oftentimes, tree roots are the culprit of displaced sidewalks but weather can play a role. Sidewalks are constantly subjected to the elements, and expand and contract depending on the weather. Concrete is perhaps one of the most durable floor surfaces ever developed, according to the International Association of Certified Home Inspectors (InterNACHI's). In fact, a typical concrete sidewalk can have a lifespan of 40 to 50 years but Sacramento's hot summers and cold winters as well as our many trees can deteriorate the sidewalks.

After 1978, homeowners in Sacramento became responsible for repairing the defective sidewalks along their property. So what do you need to know if you see a cracked sidewalk?

Some local experienced real estate brokers like JoAnn Kaleel with Lyon Real Estate let prospective home buyers in Sacramento know about the city's ordinance regarding sidewalks. "If I see cracks along the sidewalk, I let folks know that they may eventually need to make the repairs," says Kaleel. "The city may come a day after you move into the house, or they may come three years later, but if the cracks are large and can pose a tripping hazard, home owners are reminded of the liability they may face if someone trips, falls, and gets hurt on their sidewalk."

Liability for homeowners

The City's Department of Transportation indicates that "home owners may bear civil liability for a person suffering personal injury or property damage caused by a defective sidewalk; it is in the homeowners' best interest to maintain the sidewalk and reduce the risk of a lawsuit."

Kaleel also notes that issues of broken sidewalks are rarely a problem in newer



Wally's Gate

Dear Hollywood Park neighbors,

It is with a heavy and broken heart that I tell you my boy, Wally has passed away. I was lucky enough to have him in my life for almost fourteen years and he brought me so much happiness.

Wally taught me how to love a dog.

Wally loved seeing his dog-friends and saying hello to so many of you as you passed by everyday. He had so many friends and I thank you. I know he's happy wherever he is and I'm sure he's found his old friend Indiana. A good friend said, "He now has a new job at St. Peter's side, barking at Heaven's Gate deciding who can come in!" I will miss him forever and hope he continues to guard what will be forever known as Wally's Gate.

I would like to continue writing Wally's Gate for the newsletter, however Wilson (his cat) may take over. A cat's perspective is always unpredictable!

Thank you for loving Wally.

~Becky

neighborhoods in or around Sacramento. "In Natomas, for instance, you'd almost never have to repair a sidewalk," she adds. Kaleel represents buyers and sellers in Sacramento, Midtown, Land Park, Curtis Park, East Sacramento, Tahoe Park, and Hollywood Park. "These are older neighborhoods and you definitely see more issues in terms of cracked sidewalks in these areas."

Homeowners are recommended to examine the condition of their sidewalks. The City's Department of Transportation indicates whether you are a new homeowner or you have owned the home for several years, if you receive a notice it might mean the hazardous sidewalk was reported to the city through the 3-1-1 call center. Complaints require the city to respond promptly, within 72 hours – to prevent the defect from creating a safety hazard, endangering persons or property or interfering with public convenience. During a recent February meeting, District 5 Sacramento councilmember Jay Schenirer, along with city representatives met with Hollywood Park neighbors to discuss concerns over cracked sidewalks and complaints received by the city.

Owner's responsibility

According to the city, "cracks, spacing, and grade displacements in your sidewalk also can impede public access and cause serious accidents for passers-by. The City of Sacramento code (12.32.010 and 12.32.020) requires property owners to maintain their sidewalks in such a way that they do not create a

safety hazard, endanger persons or property, or interfere with public convenience. The city has specific criteria for determining whether or not a sidewalk requires repair, including the grading and spacing of the sidewalk." The city's 3-1-1 telephone service can help answer any questions or schedule an inspector to inspect your sidewalk to determine if repair is necessary. But city inspectors do not canvass neighborhoods looking for defective sidewalks, and sidewalk inspections are performed when a citizen reports a defective sidewalk. The report may have been associated with the sidewalk in front of your house or in front of a nearby property.

Once reported, the city inspects all sidewalks, curb and gutter up to 75 feet in both directions from the site of the reported defective sidewalk. About 70 percent of complaints come from citizens. The remaining complaints arise when city workers are already in the neighborhood. If they see a defect, they must report it but the city doesn't go around to each neighborhood and "look" for defects. "Your Sidewalk" – City of Sacramento website

If you receive a letter from the city that informs you of needed sidewalk repair, or if you believe you have faulty sidewalks, check out the city's online resource called "Your Sidewalk"

(<http://www.cityofsacramento.org/transportation/street/sidewalksyour.html>).

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Biz News

How long have you been in
the neighborhood?

By John C. Reiger
Business Committee

Have you been here for 50 or 100 years? Two local businesses are celebrating those milestones. Kline's Music (Klinemusic.com) on Sutterville has been a part of our neighborhood since 1963. They will be marking their Golden Anniversary with special deals and special events during 2013. Check the store for details, or watch for our email or Facebook notifications.

If you think surviving for 50 years is a big deal (and it is!), how about 100 years? Panama Pottery (PanamaPotterySacramento.com), in its various incarnations, has been here since 1913. It currently houses a vibrant artist community and a sales yard for all kinds of garden and yard things. They will be marking their Platinum Anniversary with special events and promotions. Look them up on the web, watch for our email and Facebook announcements, or better yet, stop by and see what's going on.

When you are on 24th Street, you can check out two of our newest members. One of them is Soccer Planet at 5031 24th Street (SoccerPlanetOnline.com). If you are a soccer player or fan, you might want to check out the games there most nights of the week. They probably have a soccer league just for you. If soccer is not your thing, how about Aikido? River City Aikido, 4420 24th St. (aikido-rivercity.org), offers free Aikido classes in the morning (see ad).

Rumor: By now you've heard the rumor that Raley's will build a new store on the Capitol Nursery lot. What about the current Raley's location? The latest rumor is that a nursery is eyeing the spot.

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Land Park Volunteer Corp.

"Work Days"

Saturdays, May 4, 2013

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 8, 2013

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

July 13, 2013

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Meet at William Land Park.

(Refer to Neighborhood Improvement Committee article for more information)

Sacramento Police Department Neighborhood Watch Meetings

Wednesdays

May 22nd and June 19th, 6:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at the

police station at 5770 Freeport Blvd.

Contact Barbara Falcon:

(916)808-1221 or email at:

mfalcon@pd.cityofsacramento.org

Sacramento Zoo

Twilight Thursdays

Thursday, June 6th, 13th, 20th,

& 27th - 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Enjoy those warm summer nights at the zoo on Twilight Thursdays.

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Nichirin Buddhist Church

5191 24th St. 456-8371

"Spring Food Bazaar"

Saturday & Sunday, June 8th & 9th,

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Dance performances, games, craft booths including bonsai plants for sale.

All Saints Episcopal Church

2076 Sutterville Rd. 455-0643

Sunday, May 12, 4:00 p.m.

"Lyra", a vocal group from St. Petersburg, Russia, will perform folk songs and sacred anthems from Russia.

Donation-\$10, Child care is provided.

HPNA Upcoming Events

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4116 Lotus Ave.

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Annual Independence

Day Parade

July 4th, 2013

10:00 a.m. LdV School

Routes will be posted later.

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

Please watch for more info!

Neighborhood Improvement Committee News

HPNA is teaming up with the Land Park Volunteer Corp to help keep Land Park beautiful. Drastic cuts in park services have reduced the grounds staff to only two full time workers. The first Saturday of the month volunteers meet and do pruning, raking, planting, and other jobs. A continental breakfast, water, juice, and a full lunch is provided. They meet behind Fairy Tale Town in the small picnic area. All tools are provided, but please bring your own gloves. The NIC is very excited about this as a great way to be involved in our community. Dates and times are listed in "Local Community Events" in this issue. Contact Craig Powell for more info: 718-3030 craig@eyeonsacramento.org



Holiday Red Bows 2012

Again, Holiday Bows brightened our Hollywood Park neighborhood. Thanks to those who volunteered to untangle and tie ornaments to our new plastic bows and those stored from years past. A little breakfast and coffee was served on a Saturday morning along with good conversation and in a couple hours, the bows were ready to hang.

Volunteers, 32 of them, climbed up 300 light poles to hang the bows in Hollywood Park. And then, after New Years, took them all down. Some volunteers have done this for the 10 years we've had the Bow Project.

Some of our neighbors donated cash in appreciation of having their street decorated and knowing bows need to be replaced every couple years.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL !!!!!

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

Our three judges:

Janelle Radigan, Lynn Humphreys and Patti Turner cruised the neighborhood looking for the most creative decorations. They came up with the three winners who each received a gift certificate from Hollywood Hardware. Congratulations to all of them.

The Newsome Family
on 23rd Street

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on Dana Way
Ms. Cornelius
on Anita

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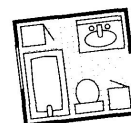


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Sacramento's local animal shelters are bursting at the seams with lost dogs and cats. Every year, nearly 35,000 animals wind up in our shelters, most are strays found wandering the streets completely naked. Yes, I said naked. No micro-chip, no license tag, no rabies tag, no phone number and no California driver's license, completely and utterly naked. As silly as it may sound, it's true.

Most of us would never lose our dogs. This could not possibly happen to us, but it does. Animals get lost for a variety of reasons, many of which are accidents and not the result of being a bad pet owner. If you have ever lost a pet, you understand immediately the horrible panic that ensues, imagining your little buddy lost, scared and darting through traffic. The issue of lost pets should be relatively straight forward, but every day tearful souls arrive at the steps of Sacramento's animal shelters looking for Fido. Shelter staff immediately begin the litany of questions, was your dog micro-chipped? Was your dog wearing a collar? Was your dog licensed and vaccinated for rabies? Was your phone number on the collar? All too often, the questions are responded to in the negative. A myriad of reasons are given. Most pet owners simply do not understand the rules and better yet, naively believe they could never possibly lose their animal.

Animal licensing is a lot like getting your car registered at DMV. Revenue for animal licensing ensures there are adequate Animal Control Officers patrolling the streets looking for Fido. Some of the money is set aside to pay for low cost spay and neuter programs. But most importantly, a license tag on your dog's collar is a sure fire way to get your beloved Fido back if he ends up at a shelter.

A micro-chip is another safeguard toward making sure you are reunited with Fido if he gets lost. That, coupled with simply putting your phone number on his collar is even better. Most people who find an animal will call a phone number before calling Animal Control. ID tags are free at the Front Street Shelter (2127 Front Street) and if you bring this article with you, a micro-chip is available for only \$10.

That's about two trips to Starbucks.

So skip the mochas this week and get your digits on your dog!



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