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Celebrating a Neighbor's 103rd Birthday! By Lynn Humphries HPNA President



On February 10th, 2024, the family of Rosalie Furgason held a huge birthday celebration, because on February 16th, Rosalie turned 103 years old. Yes, you read that correctly....103. There were so many people at the party, they had to hold it at the Elks Lodge in Rancho Cordova.

Rosalie was born in Odessa, Saskatchewan Canada in 1921. She was one of 9 children, and she is the last one surviving of her siblings. As a 9 year old, she witnessed the Great Depression. In September of 1923, Rosalie's family moved to California. They traveled by train, and they were able to ride the train free because Rosalie's father worked for the railroad in Canada. The family's first home in Sacramento was across from Sutter's Fort, on property that is now the Sutter General Hospital. Rosalie attended St. Francis Grammar School through the 8th grade. Her father was the school custodian at St. Francis. Her mother worked at the Cannery. Rosalie then went to Kit Carson for the 9th grade and Sacramento High School for the 10th grade. In her family, only the boys were allowed to go to high school, so Rosalie went to work. Years later, she obtained her GED from Luther Burbank High School.

In 1942, Rosalie met Boyd Furgason at a USO dance at the Memorial Auditorium. Boyd was Scottish and Irish and he was in the United States Air Force. They were married in 1943 and had five

children. Boyd was in the Air Force for 30 years, so he, Rosalie and their children lived in several different cities and states, including Lovington and Roswell in New Mexico, the city of Monroe in Louisiana, West Palm Beach in Florida and San Bernardino. Eventually, they settled back in Sacramento and moved into their home in Hollywood Park in 1953. All of their children went to (cont. Page 4)

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Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association



Spring Community Social & Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 - 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Social starts at 6 p.m. - Meeting starts at 6:15 p.m.)

Hollywood Park Elementary School

(Multi-Purpose Room) - 4915 Harte Way

TOPICS: The City of Sacramento's Current Financial Deficit and the City/County Partnership

Speakers





Patrick Kennedy District 2 Supervisor

Vice Mayor Caity Maple District 5

Supervisor Kennedy and Vice Mayor Maple will provide information regarding the budget deficit which will include a Q & A.

Enjoy refreshments provided by HPNA. Bring a snack to share with neighbors, Bring your harvest to share Meet your neighbors! Everyone will receive a ticket for a chance to win several gift cards donated by neighborhood businesses.

> Drawings will take place throughout the evening. We hope to see you on March 20th!

> > HPNA 2024 Board

Meet Your HPNA Board



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The Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) has been working to improve our neighborhood since 2001. We are active in monitoring local and county government projects, enjoy hosting annual neighborhood events and sharing neighborhood news.

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Events are tentative and dates are subject to change. For more details visit the HPNA website at www.hollywoodpark95822.org.

March

7: HPNA Board Meeting 20: Community Meeting

April

4: HPNA Board Meeting

May

2. HPNA Board Meeting

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September

5: HPNA Board Meeting

October

3: HPNA Board Meeting

5: Mega Yard Sale*

24-29: Halloween Decorating Contest Judging

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Holiday Social **HPNA** Board Meeting -20: Decorating Contest

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6: HPNA Board Meeting

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24: Ice Cream Social/Movie Night/Community Mtng

Board Member Feature

Claire Sallee moved to Sacramento in 2000 for graduate school (Master of Social Work) and never looked back! She and her wife, Molly Kenneth, and their son, River, have lived in Hollywood Park since 2017, and they are so happy to have found an amazing community with incredible neighbors!

Claire grew up in Davis (when it was a very small town) and went to UCLA for her undergraduate degree. After getting her MSW, she worked in the non-profit sector in Community Development and Engagement for many years before joining State service, doing policy work first in mental health/behavioral health, and then in alcohol and drug prevention. She left State service in 2019 to explore a new career in hospice care, and currently works as a non-denominational hospice chaplain for First Call Hospice.

She loves going camping and hanging out at the ocean with her family (including their chocolate lab, Ducky). She loves travelling whenever she can, loves baking (and eating baked goods!), and has never met a stranger. For Claire the best things about Hollywood Park are meeting people, and neighbors helping one another.

Claire was voted onto the HPNA Board in December 2023; her term began January 2024 and will run for two years.



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NEIGHBORHOOD **NEWS**



Rosalie (front row, 4th from right) celebrated her birthday with friends from St Robert Church, card-playing friends from Fruitridge Community Center, and fellow volunteers from Sacramento Food Bank. Also attending were her children, grand & great & great great grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews and cousins.

(cont. Pg 1) Hollywood Park schools and then McClatchy High School. Her son Kent played baseball for Pacific Little League.

While her children were growing up, Rosalie worked 3 nights a week and Saturdays at Weinstocks in sales and then ran the mail room. For many years, Rosalie was very involved with St. Robert Church, and was one of the founding members of the church. She still attends church virtually. She was a volunteer at the church, as well as for Loaves and Fishes and the Food Bank for over 20 years. After her husband passed away in 1972, Rosalie returned to school to earn a bachelor's degree in Food and Nutrition and Business Administration from California State University of Sacramento. She also took Golf class at Sacramento City College.

After her children were grown, Rosalie took many trips. She has been to Europe 6 times, The Holy Land, and 4 cruises, including two to Hawaii and one to Alaska. She was in Hawaii on September 11, 2001.

Rosalie has many grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grandchildren. She plays canasta twice a week at the Fruitridge Community Center. When she's at home, she plays card games on her IPad and watches videos.

When asked how she made it to the age of 103, she will say, "Stay physically active for as long as you can, and then be mentally active after that." She will also say, "Gather all the friends you can along the way", and lastly, "Use Ponds Dry Skin Cream".

What a pleasure it was to meet and talk with Rosalie. Thank you Rosalie for the privilege of your time, and thank you also for the great advice on how to live a long and happy life.

The CommuniTree Corner

By Irene Wilson

Spring is on the way and gardeners are looking forward to pruning, mulching, planting and enjoying their yards and gardens. This has been a mild winter so we didn't have the tree damage and loss we had last year. March will be a good month to add mulch around all young trees to help conserve moisture in the summer heat. Six inches deep of wood chips in a donut shape around the tree, starting 4 inches from the trunk and extending out 2-3 feet to the drip line gives great protection to the young tree. Remember 1-3 year old trees need 15 gallons of water a week to develop a strong root system. This can be done with a soaker hose or a five gallon bucket with a small hole drilled near the bottom to allow the water to slowly drip at the outer edge of the tree's branches. A regular hose with a small stream of water moved around the tree can also be used.

I have noticed more neighbors planting fruit trees in their front yards. We planted two apricot trees in our front yard seven years ago. We keep them pruned to six feet tall so we never need a ladder to pick the fruit. Fair Oaks Horticulture Center is a great source for information on small orchard gardening. You can look them up online or call 916-875-6913 to find out when they are having their monthly "Open Garden Days". Master Gardeners are there and can talk to you about growing fruit trees, berries and vegetables. They are located at 11549 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks, Ca.

I have also noticed mistletoe in some of the Modesto Ash trees. Remember the best time to remove it is now before the leaves appear and make it difficult to see. If not removed, it can kill your tree if left to grow. Have a beautiful spring! Note: Planting of trees as part of STF/CommuniTree events in our neighborhood is not sponsored by HPNA.

Youth Apprenticeship

By Bina Lefkovitz Trustee Area 1, Sac County Board of Ed The California Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee, where I serve as a member, is helping the state launch youth apprenticeship by designing criteria for \$60 million in program funding. The funds will support planning and implementation projects to create youth(ages 16-24) apprenticeship and pre apprenticeships in nontraditional fields (finance, healthcare etc..). Registered apprenticeship programs for youth between the ages of 16-24 combine academic and college credit based techni-

cal classroom instruction, with paid work experience through a proven earn-and-learn model. It provides the foundation for youth to choose from a number of pathways across a wide range of industry sectors and transferable skills to the workforce. Other states like Colorado, Wisconsin, Georgia, and Maryland already offer youth apprenticeships. Employers invest in youth apprentices to grow their long-term employee pipeline and diversify their workforce. Valley vision is hosting a convening of employers and educational agencies on Feb 6th to create interest in Sacramento seeking state funds to launch youth apprenticeships in child care, mental health, green jobs, IT, education.

City Budget Deficit Update

By District 5 Councilmember and Vice Mayor Caity Maple *ÉDITOR'S NOTE: BUDGET FIGURES ARE ÎN FLUX -- UPDATE BELOW FROM COUNCILMEMBER MAPLE WAS SUBMITTED ON JAN. 31st*



Dear Hollywood Park Neighbors: I'm not going to sugarcoat it: the City is facing a significant budget deficit of roughly \$50 million.

In order to understand what our options are, the City Council was given a series of presentations from different departments on their budgets and ongoing projects --

these presentations will continue at next week's session. Having a thorough understanding of the current and future costs of City programming will be vital as we're preparing for tough decisions.

Sacramento's budget deficit is a structural deficit, meaning that within our budget, our expenses have outpaced our revenues. This can happen for numerous reasons, and in our case, the deficit is largely due to inflation, increasing expenses, increased liability and pension costs, new labor agreements, and expansion of City services.

This year's budget comes to roughly \$1.5 billion - meaning that the deficit represents around 3.3% of our total spending as a City. While difficult conversations about potential cuts are absolutely going to be in our future, our structural deficit is not an insurmountable barrier to our ability to continue providing high-quality services to our residents. Budget cuts will be extremely specific and targeted - not 'across the board.'

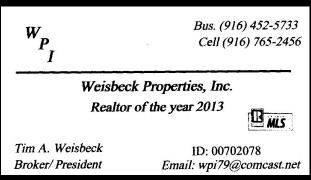
Each department has been asked to prepare cost-saving plans, which we look forward to reviewing alongside community members at upcoming workshops. You can learn more about the budget process and timeline here.

If you have any thoughts or questions about our budget or how we're working to close the gap, please feel free to reach out to me anytime by calling my office at (916) 808-7005 or emailing us at district5@cityofsacramento.org.

Sincerely, Vice Mayor Caity Maple











County Addresses Homelessness and Climate Change

By Sacramento County District 2 Supervisor Patrick Kennedy

Thank you to HPNA for allowing me an opportunity to reach out to our Hollywood Park Neighbors. There is much going on at the County, but for the sake of column inches I would like to bring up two critical issues the Board is currently addressing with urgency: homelessness and climate change.

Homelessness

Since August, Sacramento County has opened two Safe Stay Communities, temporary shelter settings with low-

er-barrier entry, in South Sacramento's District 2. Combined, they serve 180 people experiencing homelessness. These sites provide safer and more sanitary alternatives to encampments, and individuals are provided private lodgings with shared onsite amenities. In addition to providing needed services and shelter for unhoused people, they are minimizing the impacts encampments have on our neighborhoods and business districts.

Safe Stay Communities provide services 24 hours per day, seven days per week. These include sleeping accommodations, meals, case management, rehousing services, secure storage, and supportive services, including substance abuse and mental health programs, healthcare and veterinary services for all participants. But these are not places where people are warehoused, rather they offer an opportunity for people to get the help they need to get on the road to recovery and self-sustainability. In cases where a resident has a higher level of need, their ultimate destination may be permanent supportive housing, which the County is also standing up.

In fact, guests are expected to meet with their case manager on a weekly basis and actively work on their housing and life improvement plan. The goal is to connect to housing resources and services as quickly as possible, but no client is guaranteed housing by enrolling in the program.

A third site is planned for an additional 175 people through a partnership with the State of California, the County, and the City of Sacramento. Additionally, a larger comprehensive County owned and operated site is under development near Watt Avenue and I-80.

Clearly Safe Stay Communities are not THE answer to ending homelessness, but they are playing a critical role in helping those in need, while addressing the myriad of issues inherent to unmanaged encampments. More to come.

Climate Change

The Board of Supervisors recently approved a permit for a 372-acre, 50-megawatt solar development project - enough to

power approximately 12,000 homes with clean power - on agricultural land near Wilton. This came the same day that the European Union's Copernicus Climate Change Service officially announced that 2023 was the hottest year on record. This is not the last such project that will come before the board in the future, nor should it be

The impacts of climate change remain an existential threat to our planet, felt down to the local level. To meet the crisis and not leave this dire threat on the laps of future generations, the public sector, private sector and community at large must take bold action. That won't be an easy lift. We will all need to make sacrifices and investments if we are to (literally) hold back the threats of the rising tide.

In the coming months, the County will continue to work with academia, the scientific community, environmentalists, the business community and all of us to approve a climate action plan to address climate change. Once a plan is adopted, the work is by no means done. Implementation will not be easy and the plan will have to be adaptable to changing times. This will be a living document rather than a stagnant government report that sits on a shelf. I will continue to uplift this work and solicit your thoughts as that process continues. In the meantime, all members of the public can follow climate progress the county is making by visiting our newly launched Sustainability Dashboard at green.saccounty.gov.

Patrick Kennedy represents District 2, including Hollywood Park, on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors and is a former President of HPNA.

Mayoral Candidate Forum

By Claire Sallee



On February 6, 2024, multiple neighborhood associations (Hollywood Park NA, Sierra Curtis NA, Mangan Park NA, South Land Park NA, and Land Park Community Association) co-sponsored a Mayoral Forum at the Sierra 2 Center, featuring the four candidates running for Mayor of Sacramento. The Sierra 2 Center had every seat taken during the first half of the event, up until a fire alarm went off and everyone evacuated for approximately 20 minutes, after which about one-third of the attendees left (it was very cold outside!). The event was moderated by Pamela Wu, who kept the almost-two hour event (including the fire alarm interruption) running well, with timed responses ranging anywhere from 30 seconds to 90 seconds, as well as inviting opening and closing state-

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ments from each candidate.

The four candidates are:

Dr. Flo Cofer, public health professional and former chair of the Measure U Community Advisory Committee

Steve Hansen, public policy advocate and former Sacramento City Councilmember

Kevin McCarty, former Sacramento City Councilmember and current CA State Assemblymember

Dr. Richard Pan, physician and former CA State Senator

The candidates answered questions from community members that covered a variety of topics. The questions were divided into two sections for the candidates: the first half had pre-submitted questions that had been reviewed by representatives of the sponsoring neighborhood associations, and the second half was a live Q&A from attendees.

All of the questions, both pre-screened and live, focused on many of the same themes: homelessness (including SafeGround) and how to address it; housing and how to make it affordable and

accessible; the City Budget and how candidates will balance it; how they will support local and independent businesses; how will they partner with neighborhood associations and constituents; blight and how to clean it up; VisionZero, traffic safety measures, and pedestrian safety; and parks and park safety. In a room filled with people who certainly have different political and personal perspectives, the event was a wonderful display of neighborliness and respect.

If you didn't get to attend the forum, a video of the entire event is posted on the Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association's Facebook page.

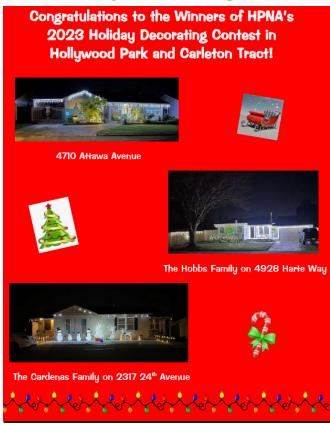
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All Saints Free Lunch Program

For the past few semesters All Saints Episcopal Church has been hosting weekly lunches for the community, focusing on the underserved populations at Sacramento City College. This is run by The Belfry, a progressive, LGBTQ+-affirming campus ministry at U.C. Davis run jointly by the Episcopal and Lutheran churches. Lunches are hosted every Wednesday from 11:30 - 1:30; they are free of charge and open to all. The church also hosts a small service, also open to all, on those Wednesday evenings, with a quiet reflection/meditation time beginning at 5 PM, and a simple worship service starting at 5:15. All Saints served over 300 meals last semeester! Per Lachlan Brooks, from the All Saints' office: "We're here rain or shine, when there's 6 attendees or 60, so we'd love to get the word out in our local communities." All Saints is located at 2076 Sutterville Rd and can be reached at (916) 455-0643.

2023 Holiday Decorating Contest



Santa Visits Hollywood Park





The Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association held its annual Community/Holiday Social Meeting on December 6th, 2023. Despite a very rainy and windy night, about 2 dozen brave Hollywood Park neighbors came to hear our speakers, and to enjoy the fun and treats. Unfortunately, Mason, the fire truck was not able to be there, but Santa Claus was. District 5 City Council Member Caity Maple talked about what's going on in the City of Sacramento. City Police Captain Zachary Bales talked about safety during the Holidays, as well as answered many questions from the audience members. State Assemblymember Kevin McCarty discussed a variety of issues impacting the region. HPNA Board President Lynn Humphries provided an annual report on the state of the HPNA, and Board Treasurer Debbie Keller provided a financial report.

Farewell Hollywood Hardware

By Lynn Humphries



As the lights go out for the final time at Hollywood Hardware, the Hollywood Park Neighborhood Association would like to say how much we mourn the loss of such an iconic fixture in our neighborhood. We thank the owners of Hollywood Hardware and all of their kind employees for their unending support of the HPNA, and for their assistance to all Hollywood Park neighbors throughout their 75+ years. There is probably a piece of Hollywood Hardware in every home in the neighborhood. Because of that, Hollywood Hardware will always have a place in our homes, as well as in our hearts. Hollywood Hardware will forever be a part of Hollywood Park.