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## Going Green, What it Means

Free Public Forum May 21  
to Discuss the Challenge of  
Creating and Maintaining  
Fullerton as a "Green" City

The City of Fullerton is at a critical juncture in its history. Currently, the city's Master Plan is in the process of being updated, development of several large-scale building sites is being debated as is the future of our last remaining open spaces. With so much at stake, such serious issues as energy conservation, waste removal, traffic and air pollution should play a key role in each decision.

With this in mind, Neighbors United for Fullerton (NUFF) is sponsoring Fullerton: Going Green, What it Means, a free public forum at 6:45pm, Monday, May 21, at the Fullerton Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth Ave., Fullerton.  
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## Moratorium on Large Development Projects Called

Friends for a Livable Fullerton, Friends of Coyote Hills, and Yorba Linda Residents for Responsible Representation have joined together to ask the City of Fullerton to hold a city-wide discussion on growth before approving more large-scale development projects. Friends for a Livable Fullerton is a group dedicated to preserving Fullerton's uniqueness and livability through better development decisions. Friends of Coyote Hills' mission is to preserve and protect the last major open space remaining in Fullerton. While not a Fullerton group, Yorba Linda Residents for Responsible Representation recently saved its historic downtown from insensitive development.

The groups are concerned that with the current onslaught of major developments across the city, Fullerton is on the verge of irretrievably losing many of the qualities that make the city unique and attractive to residents and businesses. Once the balance of development tips in favor of cookie cutter, urban-style development, it will be impossible to recapture the historic character and small-town ambience Fullerton has managed to retain all these years.

The City has just started its process of updating the General Plan and is actively seeking public input. The General Plan is the roadmap for the direction of the city's development over the next decade and beyond. It is an ideal time to take a pause, and allow this public input process to help guide development decisions. If numerous major projects are allowed to proceed before the General Plan is updated, it will be too late for them to benefit from public discussion addressing the cumulative effects of this recent period of unprecedented growth. The signing groups feel this is a discussion that needs to happen before new projects are brought online, not after.

FFLF is inviting the public to show its support by signing the moratorium request. Community groups are also welcome to sign.  
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## Certified Farmers' Market Every Wednesday

Certified small farmers offer fresh fruit, vegetables, cage-free chickens & eggs, honey, plants and flowers to the public at Independence Park, (next to the DMV at 801 W. Valencia). The market is open from 8am to 1:30pm rain or shine every Wednesday year round and offers easy parking and great prices and some unusual produce items not found in grocery stores. PHOTO BY HOLLY KIRWAN ©2007

## UPDATE: Fullerton Fountain Folks Fight for Alternative Transportation

A proposal is being made to eliminate the Conditional Use Permit requiring alternative transportation in the form of 2 handicapped equipped vans for the owner-residents of Fullerton Fountains senior condos. The proposal will be presented to the Planning Commission on June 13, 2007 at 7pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The 202 unit Fullerton Fountains, located at the edge of Ford Park between Chapman and Wilshire, was built with only 116 parking spaces. As mitigation, the developer was required to provide the alternative van transportation for the resident-owners.

Although two vans were required, the complex has had only one van in service for the past 21 years. The 11-seat van ran two or three times per week, sometimes several times per day, taking those seniors who no longer drive shopping and on other outings.

Recently a new board and management company took over operations at the Fountains and are trying to eliminate the van service over objections of the seniors who use it.

The CUP process has been used by other developers around Fullerton to get around building adequate parking spaces and, as in this case, the lack of parking has caused ongoing problems for residents.

The Fountains were allowed to be built with only 0.6 parking spaces per unit causing many residents to spill out onto the surrounding streets. Today the requirement per unit is 2.5 spaces.

A staff review of the proposal is underway and will be available by June 8, 2007. Those who would like to add comments to the public record may send them to Senior Planner Bob St. Paul at [BobSP@ci.fullerton.ca.us](mailto:BobSP@ci.fullerton.ca.us) or in care of City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton CA 92832.

In addition to the original requirement that two handicapped-equipped vans be provided and maintained for alternative trans-

portation for residents, other provisions in the original Conditional Use Permit have also been ignored.

The original CUP stated that "none of the units will be rented out either by Zellner (the developer) or by future owners." In addition only those over 55 years of age are eligible to buy into or occupy a unit. In the case that a parent dies and the unit is inherited by children, the unit must be sold to another senior citizen. In direct opposition to this requirement, approximately half of the units are currently occupied by renters.

NAMCO, which took over management of the Fountains in December 2006, mailed a deceptive questionnaire to each unit asking whether residents would rather pay \$625 per month for an in-house van service or \$200 per month for a taxi service. "The figures represent apples and oranges," said one resident.

Actual cost of the 5-seat taxi service if it were to cover the number of passengers the 11-seat van serves and the number of trips (three times per week, several times per day) would be over twice as much as the van service.

At \$3.09 per month (\$37 per year) per condo the van service is really a bargain and a great amenity for the complex, contend the residents. Just as the pool and barbeque are not used by all, but are supported by all, the van should be seen as a valuable asset instead of a drag on funds. The complex collects \$200 per month from each condo and has a budget that can easily cover one van or even two.

In fact one possible outcome of this issue may be that the planning commission will require the complex to begin complying with the original CUP which required two handicapped-accessible vans.

The resident-owners have passed around their own petition asking those interested in keeping the van to sign. They will be bringing that petition to city hall in the hopes that a just decision will be reached.

## UPDATE: Bagel Bistro Success!

Linda Chhan and Muy Kung, owners of the Bagel Bistro would like to thank all their loyal customers who helped turn what would have been the tragic ending of their 10-year business into a happy ending.

The couple announced that Regency Centers has extended their current occupancy at the Morningside Plaza until a favorable spot opens up in the center.

The couple expect to make an eventual move to the storefront between the Union Bank and Subway at the corner of Bastanchury and Brea Blvd., currently occupied by an escrow company.

Although they say they will miss the outdoor patio, the new space is twice as large so there will be a very pleasant indoor area. In addition, convenient parking and visibility are similar to the Bistro's current location.

This is good news to the over 1,200 Bistro customers who signed the petition asking that Regency reverse its decision to end the couple's longtime lease.



*Lt. Col. John Sullivan will replace originally scheduled Memorial Day speaker Lt. Col. Bill Bursleson who has been re-deployed to Iraq.*

## 69th Annual Fullerton Memorial Day Ceremony

The 69th Annual Fullerton Memorial Day Observance takes place Monday, May 28 at 10am at Loma Vista Memorial Park, 701 E. Bastanchury Road, east of Harbor.

Sponsored by the American Veterans Memorial Association and the City of Fullerton, the special guest speaker will be Lt. Col. John P. Sullivan, commander of the 548th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. He will be replacing Lt. Col. Bill Bursleson, commander, 187 Infantry, 10th Mountain Division who had to cancel as his unit has been re-deployed to Iraq.

## Conflict of Interest Amendment

Recently retired city development head Paul Dudley has submitted an amendment to the required financial disclosure form. Dudley is one of 15 members of the General Plan Advisory Committee which will advise council on updates to the city master plan.

Dudley declared that in 2006 his land use & development consulting company F. Paul Dudley & Assoc. was hired by Attorney Richard S. Price to represent a client on an industrial subdivision in Anaheim. Mr. Dudley did not disclose the name of the client but the only industrial subdivision in Anaheim in 2006 was a 130-condo project on the former Kwikset property by applicant John Laing Homes.

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## FOX EXEC DIRECTOR ANSWERS QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

While gratified by the public interest and concern for the Fox Theatre, I am somewhat confused by many of the points made by Elli England in her opinion piece published in the early May edition.

The Fullerton Historic Theatre Foundation was formed as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. The Foundation is the legal owner of the Fox Theatre and the associated structures on the Firestone Corner. The Foundation is not a public or government agency, a trust, or a member organization. The purpose of the Foundation and its Board is to benefit the public without any individual profiting from the business. Any "profits" will be reinvested in the business, as required by law.

The original goal of the Foundation was to save the Fox. Thankfully, and to the credit of many donors, including Ms. England, and a forward thinking City Council, that goal was accomplished. Since that time, the Foundation has been and remains the sole owner of the Fox. At no time since taking ownership of the Fox has the complex been in jeopardy of being sold and there are no future plans to sell. I believe Dr. Jones' comments with regard to taking back the Fox were taken out of context. The Foundation is now focused on rehabilitation and operational planning.

Just as is the case at any other corporation, members of the general public are not invited to Board meetings. Directors must be free to discuss and debate issues in confidence. This is not extraordinary or unusual in any way. For example, the public is not invited to Board meetings of the Boys & Girls Clubs, St. Jude Memorial Foundation, California State University, Fullerton Foundation, the Orange County Performing Arts Center, or the *Fullerton Observer*. Ms. England's allegations of "secrecy" and "hostile avoidance" besmirch the reputations of a dedicated Board of community leaders who volunteer a great deal of time and their financial resources to the management of the Fox.

Ms. England states that our planning is done without public input. In fact, our planning includes input well beyond the Foundation Board. For example, the selection process for the architect included representatives from the city, current and former Foundation Board members, major donors, and others who were invited for their expertise in architecture, landscaping, and theatre operation. That committee selected the Westlake Reed Leskosky firm only after this committee reviewed presentations from several architects.

Renderings of our restoration plans were unveiled last June at our Hollywood in Fullerton event followed by showings on the big screen at Movies On The Fox, on posters in our Fullerton Market booth, and on signage at Fox Plaza.

The Board of Directors is listed on our website, and has been published in the *Observer*. All of our current Board members are residents of Fullerton, listed in the phone book and easily accessible. We maintain regular business office hours where I am available by phone and email. I am on hand, as well as several Board members, at our Movies On The Fox events (9 annually). Before the show I can be found walking through the audience engaging people in conversation.

The Foundation's goals continue to be focused and clear - to rehabilitate the Fox and operate a successful performing and cinema arts venue with revenues to sustain the building so that this community treasure is here for future generations. Much of the work being done now is in what is traditionally referred to in a capital campaign as the "quiet phase," which we stated publicly on several occasions. We are working to keep people better informed of our progress as we move forward. Part of that effort includes the recent redesign of our website produced by The Aura Group.

I understand there are great sentiments in the community regarding the Fox. Indeed, it is that passion that made it possible for the Foundation to purchase the Fox, and it is that passion that brought well over 1,000 people to see the Fullerton College Jazz Band play on the Fox stage during A Night in Fullerton. Most of our Board members were on hand to greet people and answer questions. I hope Ms. England took the opportunity to join so many others in what was an exciting performance.

We made history at A Night in Fullerton. There is more history yet to be written with continued support from the community.

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## About the Fox

As if to illustrate Elli England's point ("Time for Light on Fox Theatre Restoration Process," *Observer* Early May), the Fox Theatre was mobbed April 27 at the Night in Fullerton event by a huge enthusiastic crowd of possibly more than 2000 folks who packed in over the course of the evening. Many were so keen to get inside that they started lining up on the sidewalk under the old marquee an hour & a half before the opening!

**How many know the current plans are to scrap the marquee saving only one small portion?**

most important project. If all is well and the Fullerton Historic Theatre Foundation has everything well in hand, let us know so we can congratulate them. If the project is in trouble, let us find it out now so we can take corrective action while there is still time to save the situation.

No useful purpose is served by the secrecy; let's end it now. We should be hearing weekly reports on future plans, the restoration progress and fundraising efforts. This project should be the most vital one in town, one we can all speak of with excitement and pride. We should all be talking over issues like the sort of restaurants sought for the Tea Room and the plans for the marquee. How many know the current plans are to scrap the current marquee saving only one small portion?

Openness will serve the volunteers also. They are a wonderful group of high-spirited individuals who are filled with a wonderful passion for the Fox project. Their enthusiasm sells the Fox to the public but is often hobbled by lack of complete current accurate information.

Most important for the long-term future of the Fox is the sense of ownership that can only come when the public feels included and involved with the project. This sort of public participation is sometimes messy, but it is the only sure way to ensure that citizens feel like stakeholders and become guardians of the Fox in the future.

Let's answer England's questions now and introduce a new culture of permanent openness in the Fox project. There is no downside.

Paul O'Neil Fullerton

## Thanks Quirk, Keller, & Bankhead

Congratulations and thanks are in order for the three City Council members who voted to continue using federal Community Development Block Grant funds to help support local nonprofit agencies that provide needed social services in Fullerton. Mayor pro-tem Sharon Quirk and Council members Don Bankhead and Pam Keller made it possible for these agencies to continue their great work with their votes for the award of CDBG funds: Boys & Girls Club of Fullerton, the Council on Aging, Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Service, Meals on Wheels, and the Women's Transitional Living Center.

It was particularly courageous of Mr. Bankhead, in moving to award the funds, to admit that in a previous Council vote on the issue he had voted differently because he had incomplete information. It takes a big man to make that kind of admission. Don, you are a real mensch, in every sense of the word.

It should be noted here that the funds involved were not city tax monies. They were federal funds, part of a grant that has been awarded annually to city governments under a Department of Housing and Urban Development program to improve communities. Look at that list of CDBG recipients and tell me if you don't agree that they help to make Fullerton a better community.

In voting against the award of the federal funds to the nonprofit agencies, Mayor Shawn Nelson launched into a long jeremiad warning that the CDBG program was being reduced every year and probably would not survive much more than another year or two, so the nonprofits had better be prepared to survive without that money. I may have been mistaken, but I thought he posited that prospect with some relish.

Mr. Nelson's view is, of course, a very short-sighted one. The present administration in Washington (which determines with the help of Congress which programs HUD will implement) will be gone in less than two years, probably to be replaced by one that is more community-oriented. And probably by sometime next year the United States will stop spending hundreds of billions of dollars a year on the war in Iraq. That means that much of that money will become available for social programs. Meanwhile, the U.S. Conference of Mayors is campaigning very hard to preserve the CDBG program.

Nor should it be forgotten that many members of Congress believe that CDBG is a valuable tool in community improvement. Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez' district includes portions of Fullerton which have benefited from CDBG funds used by those nonprofit agencies that received the money through the City Council. How do you think Congresswoman Sanchez will vote on continuing the CDBG program?

So, thanks and congratulations. And Mayor Nelson notwithstanding, let's keep our options open.

Gerald J. Brown Fullerton



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## Out of My Mind

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### Mighty Mouse!

Don't mess with the Mouse. The power of Mickey is indeed mighty as the startling events of this week illustrate.

Hamas, the terrorist organization and senior partner in the Palestinian government, has launched suicide bombers at Israel. When Israel bombed them back, did they quit? No. They have supported terrorist raids on Israel. When Israel retaliated, did they debase? No, again. They have sent hit squads to murder Israeli officials, and again they remained un-repentant and unchanged.

United Nations peacekeepers have never been able to keep the peace. UN resolutions have fallen on ears both deaf and hostile. Shuttle diplomacy has failed to change any of their aims, ambitions or tactics.

They have ignored pleas, resolutions, bombs and rockets; they ignored Palestinians who cried out for peace and a state of their own, which they could have had long ago. But this week Hamas finally blinked. This week, even Hamas figured out that they had gone too far. They messed with Mickey Mouse and Disney. Big mistake.

Some months ago a Palestinian television program on Palestinian TV station Al Aqsa, misappropriated the image and likeness of Mickey Mouse to instruct children on how to become a little Jihadis and grow up to be a martyrs.

This Hamas Mouse, or Hamouse for short, is actually named Farfur, and he is not like your everyday church mouse. In addition to telling the kids to drink milk and pray 5 times a day, he teaches them that Islam must rule the world and they must learn to "resist" the evil of Israel and America. In a recent episode Farfur led the pledge: "We will return the Islamic community to its former greatness, and liberate Jerusalem, God willing, liberate Iraq, God willing, and liberate all the countries of the Muslims invaded by the murderers." This is clearly not your parents' Mickey Mouse Club. This is Mickey with a club in one hand and a bomb in the other.

Farfur has a comic sidekick, a young woman named Saraa. She wittily told the kids: "I remind you that Al-Aqsa (this is the Muslim name for the great mosque on the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem) and the prisoners are a responsibility on our shoulders, and Allah will ask us on Resurrection Day what we gave for their sake." This is the classic religious educational technique of putting the fear of hell into the little hearts

and minds of as many kids as possible. Truly, no child should be left behind, and to get to paradise they mustn't forget to kill some Americanzionistcrusaders (and this is usually recited as one word, like "Ohmygod" in the Valley). And some think that American children's TV is inappropriate for violent content.

When this story broke last week, the world's response was pretty interesting. AP (Associated Press) first headlined "Hamas 'Mickey Mouse' wants Islam takeover."

**This is Mickey with a club in one hand and a bomb in the other.**

This was apparently too accurate and so they changed it to "Hamas 'Mickey Mouse' preaches resistance." While the word "resistance" is clear code for violent acts against Israel and Israelis, it does seem somewhat softer to non-Middle Eastern ears.

Of course Israel protested. And of course, to no avail. Predictably diplomats said diplomatic and ineffective things. But

when Disney's lawyers found out, they really put the fear of Allah into them. It is one thing to bomb people but to infringe on a copyright, is, well, just wrong.

Hamas must have taken as a cautionary tale that the Southern Poverty Law Center got a 7 million dollar judgment against the KKK and 12 million against the White Aryan Brotherhood. They must have realized that this could bode ill for ever collecting the millions of aid and tax dollars that are currently embargoed. They would have to believe that Disney's fine and relentless law dogs would get them so tied up in various courts that surrender seemed the only practical thing to do.

You have got to ask yourself what kind of world we live in when victory and justice are due to geeky brigades of intellectual property lawyers? I think we should learn from this and draft hundreds, maybe thousands, of lawyers—G-d knows there's a surplus—and send them to the various hot spots around the globe. Peacekeepers don't work. Armies clearly fail. Instead of shooting the lawyers, as many are tempted to do, let's give the lawyers a shot.

Republicans mocked John F Kerry for wanting to deal with terrorists as criminals, rather than using the traditional model of war. Well the Republicans and Kerry both may have been wrong. Maybe the remedy should be civil. It really does seem that the threat of civil litigation won this one.

This should also be a cautionary tale for the City Solons of Anaheim who voted against the will of the Mouse and want affordable housing near Disneyland. My guess is that peace in the Middle East will come before a unit is built.

## MUSINGS by Gene Walsh ©2007

### The Difference Between Rich & Poor

President Jimmy Carter, in his book titled *Our Endangered Values*, writes that the greatest challenge we face is the growing chasm between the rich and poor people on earth.

Carter's book talks about world problems but here in the US there is also a huge income gap between the rich and the poor. We are extremely generous in rewarding corporate executive officers and President Bush also keeps wanting to cut their taxes.

Payments to eleven corporate executives, reported in the *LA Times* in the past month, totaled \$772 million. If you eliminate the two highest paid, the remaining nine were paid an average of \$21.3 million each for the year 2006, including salary, bonus, stock options and benefits. In addition, five executives received \$1,070 million in retirement benefits when they left their companies.

I imagine that these are just a small sample of the pay received by senior executives of US corporations. At the same time the US

Chamber of Commerce, of which most are members, is opposed to a raise in the federal minimum wage and most are in favor of President Bush's income tax reduction for themselves and other high income individuals.

Since 1990, executive pay has risen from 107 times the average workers salary to 411 times in 2005.

But these payments pale alongside those of hedge-fund chiefs whose pay rose 57% in 2006 with the top 25 individuals earning \$14 Billion according to a report in the *LA Times*.

I wonder just how much they contributed to the well-being of American life in exchange for their billions? Of course they deserve the income tax cuts so that some of their billions can trickle down to the rest of us.

Meanwhile, as President Carter tells us, the rich get richer and the poor get poorer.

## DTF: Balancing Business & Community Needs Downtown

by Carol Beener

I was born in Fullerton and have lived here for over forty years. I am saddened to see the transformation of our town from "the education city" known for its beautiful architecture and quaint downtown to "Bourbon Street West."

I am reminded of a scene from the movie *It's A Wonderful Life*, with Jimmy Stewart where his character George Bailey returns to his beloved Main Street only to find it's not Bedford Falls anymore, but Pottersville. He is met by a rowdy crowd scene very much like the one described below.

Fortunately, George Bailey was able to save Bedford Falls before it was too late. Can we do the same for Fullerton?

Those who haven't recently ventured downtown after 10pm on a Friday or Saturday night won't recognize our previously family-oriented, quaint, safe town.

Fullerton has a new identity. We are now DTF (Down Town Fullerton), and it is the place to go. The focus has shifted.

Visit on a weekend night and you will be treated to public urination, fights, narrow misses (and sometimes hits) of drunken pedestrians and property by drunk drivers, parties vandalizing cars and destroying private as well as public property.

The *Fullerton Observer* published a report of police call records recently. There were 1,153 calls to the police from the downtown area alone in 2006. Among those crimes were 133 battery, assault; 124 DUI or drunk in public; 91 vandalism; 90 vehicle burglaries; 53 accidents (w/35 injuries); 39 hit & runs; 33 grand thefts; 26 stolen cars; 15 weapons possession and various other crimes.

One MySpace group (there are many) devoted solely to partying in DTF describes the scene, "I'm downtown Fullerton, rather quiet by day but a freakin' explosion of drinking, dancing and debauchin' at night..." Another, using the metaphor of a hot new TV show, puts it this way, "Come to Downtown Fullerton and stand in line for

an hour, watch some blonde fall on her (expletive removed), get frisked at the door, get your hand stamped, squeeze through the crowd, have a seat at the bar, order a round of Irish car bombs, and LET THE GAMES BEGIN! Join us for an \*All New\* 2nd Season of the DTF! More drama, more mahem, more cast members and of course...more drinking! This season airs most weekend nights...so Stay Tuned!!!"

Some argue that all this has been great for Fullerton and the downtown has been revitalized and rejuvenated. But, the benefit goes

**...business owners reaping the financial benefits of the downtown nightlife they host should be held responsible for paying the increased costs...**

to the crowds of patrons driving in from out of town who come to party in our city and to the bar owners, who put tidy profits in their pockets at the expense of taxpayers and residents. And, if we are gaining extra revenue, where are the increased benefits and services for the residents of Fullerton?

My guess is the "revenue" is going to pay for the added police, fire, cameras, and upkeep that go along with the crime and conflict the bars bring to town.

The business climate should be nurtured. Businesses bring goods, services, tax revenue and jobs to the community. However, these businesses also have a responsibility to be good neighbors, and must be held accountable for the problems they create, particularly when the effects of their business practices begin to negatively shape the community.

The business owners reaping the financial benefits of the downtown nightlife they host should be held responsible for paying for the increased costs of the extra police and fire coverage that their businesses make a necessity. Most importantly, the city council should not allow any more businesses that sell liquor to open in the downtown area. We have more than enough.

The city council must take the difficult steps needed to force businesses to clean up their act. It is possible to have a climate in which business thrives and the community survives, but all parties must be willing to make it happen.

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## AMERICAN/AMERICAN by Eugene Sky Scott

### Deceptive Headlines

On the morning of April 16, 2007, a lone gunman entered a dormitory hall on the campus of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. Two people would end up dead. Two hours later the same gunman would enter another building in a separate attack. Thirty one people would be dead, including the shooter.

By the end of the day, major news agencies were covering the story with the headlines: "Worst Shooting Massacre in US History" "Worst Mass Shooting in US History" "Largest Mass Killing in History." At one point all three 24 hour cable news channels (CNN, Fox News, and MSNBC) were running with one of these three headlines.

Any high school graduate who remembers his American History course would remember there have been numerous massacres of Indians by white settlers, of settlers by Indians, settlers mass killing settlers, and Indians massacring Indians that far outnumber the death toll of the Virginia Tech massacre. Any internet/Google search will produce an extensive list of specific mass killings of and by noncombatants such as: The Jamestown Massacre, Claremore Mound, Kaibai Creek Massacre, Gunther Island, Keyesville, and Mountain Meadows massacres to name a few.

Sensationalism is being extremely controversial, loud, or attention-grabbing without much regard for factual accuracy. The intent is shock value. Exciting and emotionally charged aspects are drawn without providing elements such as pertinent background, investigative, or contextual information. The goal of sensationalism in the

media is increased or sustained viewership which in turn can be sold to advertisers, the result being a lesser focus on proper journalism and a greater focus on the "juicy" aspects of a story that pulls in a larger share of the audience.

As coverage of the Virginia Tech Massacre continued, it became clear this was a horrific incident all on its own. It was already sensational news that would grab anyone's attention. There was no need to pump it up to attract viewers. No need to exploit these deaths through exaggeration. Perhaps this was an unintended result of the news machine after weeks of sensationalizing the junk food news of Anna Nicole and Don Imus.

Many news agencies did accurately refer to the story with more specific reference such as "mass killing," "college campus", and "single shooter." There is no doubt the major cable news networks were quite aware of their initial inaccurate, horrific headlines. They may have been unaware of setting the stage for copycat killers by sensationalizing the incident. As forensic psychologists offered analysis of the shooter's profile, many experts were quick in suggesting the news agencies "tone down" their headlines.

While this may seem a trivial point, sensationalizing a story for ratings trivializes death. When truth in journalism is compromised, it pulls focus from the true nature of the story.

With a total death toll of 33, this incident is the deadliest shooting on a college campus, the second deadliest school-related killing and the deadliest single perpetrator school massacre in US history. All of this of course is a useless point to the families of the victims of Virginia Tech massacre...a tragedy unto itself. Tragedies of this magnitude deserve coverage with reverence, so they may be properly memorialized in their commensurate place in history.

**COUNCIL NOTES** by GP GEORGIEFF

Fullerton City Council meetings take place at 4pm and 7:30pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of most months at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth. Call the Council at 738-6311

City Council met in regular session at 4pm and 7:30pm on May 1, 2007. Councilmember Jones was absent.

**7:30pm Session**

Item 14: The Public Hearing on the 2007 1-Year Action Plan was postponed.

**COUNCILMEMBER BANKHEAD VOTES FOR CHARITIES**

Council Member Bankhead asked to be heard on a previous motion from the last council meeting regarding Code Enforcement using CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds to pay for a third Code Enforcement officer. Two Code Enforcement positions are already funded with the money. The vote to spend federal CDBG funds for that purpose was supported by Mayor Shawn Nelson and Councilmembers Jones and Bankhead at the April 17th council meeting. The funds have been traditionally used to support non-profits working in low-income areas of town.

The April 17th council voted down Mayor Protem Quirk's motion (seconded by Keller) to accept staff's recommendation to fund Code Enforcement through small fees to landlords as is done in other cities.

Bankhead said that after further review of the information regarding the recommendations from staff he felt he had a better understanding and would like to reverse his motion. He then motioned to accept the recommendations of staff to not fund the Code Enforcement Officers with CDBG funds but to find an alternative way to fund the code enforcement program.

Mayor Pro Tem Quirk quickly seconded his motion. Seeing that there was a consensus with Bankhead, Quirk and Keller on the same side of the issue, Mayor Nelson opened the item for public discussion by warning the audience "don't talk yourself out of a victory."

•**DAVID LEE**, from the Fair Housing Authority of Orange County, came up to support the motion.

•**KEN WOODS**, who was at the prior meeting representing the neighborhood of West Fullerton near Orangethorpe, reiterated that they strongly supported the idea of funding three additional Code Officers with the fee based idea that staff recommended. He felt that these officers should be funded by a sustainable source and that CDBG funds could be used more wisely elsewhere.

•**RAY GRANDOFF**, director of Public Affairs for the Apartment Owner Association of Orange County, said that many of their members have property in the community as well as live in Fullerton. He stated that they had much experience working with cities and communities regarding these issues and would like to assist in anyway possible with Landlord/tenant counseling. He supported the recommendation and offered their services if the City so wanted. They would be happy to sit down with city officials to discuss the various services their Association had to offer to help with the issue. It was unclear whether he was advocating for the Apartment owners, or was pitching services that would be charged to the city.

After Public Comments, Mayor Nelson returned the subject to Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Quirk thanked Councilmember Bankhead for bringing the item back to Council. She noted that as the funds for the non-profits decrease, it is more and more important to be smart in our allocation of funds.

**Apartment Owner Assoc of OC director Ray Grandoff offered to assist the city with landlord/tenant counseling, ... it was unclear if he was advocating for apartment owners or pitching services that would be charged...**

Councilmember Keller had concerns about taking funds from one source only to lose them later. City Manager Meyers said that the federal government had plans to do away with the CDBG program completely.

Keller asked if the non-profits could be funded through the City's General Fund if that happened.

Mayor Nelson spoke up, stating that of course these were good points of discussion, but the matter at hand was the motion to accept staff's recommendation of not funding the Code Officer position with CDBG funds and to find alternate funding sources such as an individual unit fee for code enforcement.

Before calling the clerk for a vote on the motion, the Mayor stated that he just signed letters to our federal representatives asking to continue the CDBG program, but if the funds did disappear there were strong philosophical questions as to whether the city should dip into the General Funds for charity organizations. He stated that there were many strong feelings on both sides regarding this question.

The Clerk called roll on the motion. The motion passed 3-1 with Mayor Nelson dissenting.

(see letter page 2 "Thanks Quirk, Keller & Bankhead")

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The issue of hillside slipping, and the city insistence that neighbors are responsible to remove the dirt spilled on the public trail, brought residents to council.

•**STEVE HANSEN**, a long time Fullerton resident whose property backs up to Euclid, spoke regarding the issue of the hillside debris that has plagued Euclid Ave. along the Bud Turner Bridle Trail for the past two years. With the heavy rains that hit the area in 2004-2005 the hill slid onto the trail making it impassable. He asked the city to help resolve the issue. The neighborhood is at an impasse in trying to resolve the problem themselves. They had spent two years trying to find a common resolution but to no avail. The city has given the owners six months to resolve issue.

•**MELISSA YO**, who bought her property five years ago, was obviously upset over the situation of receiving a notice from the City. At the time of purchasing her home she was unaware of any hill sliding issues. Ms. Yo stated that three different contractors had been out to her property, and all voiced similar apprehensions on working on only one slice of the problem. One contractor quoted her a cost of \$100,000 dollars to work just on her part of the problem. That, she said, was something she couldn't afford. Pointing over to Don Hoppe, she said that he and the Engineering department said they were going to look into it, but she had not heard back from the city.

•**DAWN HANSEN** said she had approached an official from the Office of Emergency Services when the issue first came up two years ago. This individual said there were ways to assist cities when problems of this nature occur. She called them back recently and someone remembered her and the issue. The person mentioned that Hazard Mitigation Funding was available as well as a possibility of some assistance through the California Disaster Assistance Act. They were looking into the case.

She felt that all avenues hadn't been explored by the city and asked for more time. She said some engineers stated that the dirt that was present was actually helping buttress the hillside, and to remove it would endanger the properties. She implied that the original removal of part of the hillside back in 1989 to expand the width of the trail had exasperated the problem. Now, with the hill sliding back to its original footprint, removing it would only destabilize the properties more. "Does the Public," she asked aloud, "have more right to the easement than homeowners have for the security of our property?"

Ms. Hansen reminded the Council that when the slides originally occurred, the city came out and cleaned up the street by moving the dirt up onto the trail. This was in direct violation of the city's own code. Now, the city was mailing letters to the homeowners telling them to fix the problem. "It's just not fair, because some homeowners did not have sliding of dirt on their portion of the hill, but when the city cleaned it up off the road and put it on the trail, they now had dirt that didn't originally come from their property. "We have never approached the problem from a legal standpoint. We love our City, and are trying to be solution focused rather than pointing fingers. We all have to move forward. We all must work together. It is wrong for the homeowners to be expected to carry this burden alone."

She also said that the OES has worked with private property and public easements before - in fact they just funded something to the tune of seven million dollars recently. She reiterated that she felt there were monies available for the problem and not all avenues had been explored.

•**JUDY HIGGS**, introducing herself as kindergarten teacher, said she teaches her students about fairness, and this situation just didn't seem fair. **Continued on page 8**



**JOE FELZ  
New Director of  
Parks & Recreation**

Joe Felz, a 23-year veteran of the City of Fullerton, has been named director of the Fullerton Parks and Recreation Department by City Manager Chris Meyer. The appointment becomes effective July 1.

Felz, 48, and his wife, Kathleen, a photographer, live in Fullerton. They have two daughters: Zoe, 5, and Alexandra, 2. Felz holds both bachelor and master degrees in sociology from CSUF.

Felz, came to work for the city in 1984 as a recreation coordinator for programs at the Fullerton Senior Center. In 1987, Felz was promoted to community services supervisor and placed in charge of the department's Cultural and Events Division. In that capacity, he was named director of the then closed Museum of North Orange County (housed in the former Fullerton Library building on Wilshire and Pomona from the mid-70's until 1985). He oversaw the renovation of the facility which reopened in 1988 as the Fullerton Museum Center.

In his term as director, the Fullerton Museum Center garnered recognition and numerous awards for its exhibits and educational program, including being named "Outstanding Arts Organization" by Arts Orange County, a nonprofit county-wide arts council.

Felz was also responsible for overseeing the city's agreement with the foundation that operates the Muckenthaler Cultural Center, and for organizing and presenting city-wide events such as the outdoor Fullerton Market, the "First Night Fullerton" New Year's Eve celebration, and the annual "A Night in Fullerton" cultural arts celebration.

In 2005 Felz was named assistant to the city manager. His duties have included monitoring county, state and federal legislation for potential impacts on the city; providing staff support for the mayor and city council; and supervising efforts to secure grants for city programming.

Felz said he was "looking forward" to his new assignment and continuing the many outstanding programs offered by the department. He is also excited about the several major capital improvement projects coming up, including restoration of the landmark Hillcrest Park and development of more parks and recreational space in the western part of the city.

Felz will replace interim Parks and Recreation Director Ron Molendyk. "The city is very fortunate to have someone of Joe's caliber and skill serve as its Parks and Recreation director," Meyer said. "I'm confident he will do an excellent job for the city and its citizens."

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## COMMUNITY OPINIONS

### Rapid Transit Bus, High Speed Rail, Bikes, Commuters & More Must be Considered in Proposal to Relocate Bus Station

To: City of Fullerton  
Redevelopment Agency  
303 W. Commonwealth  
Fullerton, CA 92832

On behalf of our members we wish to submit the following comments for the public record regarding the proposal for the relocation of the bus station at the Fullerton Transportation Center as part of the area redevelopment.

The Fullerton Transportation Center is an inestimable asset to downtown Fullerton, Orange County and Southern California. As currently configured it is an appealing and convenient nexus for shopping and dining. By facilitating multimodal (bus, train, taxi, bike and pedestrian) access, the facility reduces congestion, enhances downtown Fullerton's dynamism and contributes to quality of life much prized by the citizens of Fullerton. We urge that preservation of these attributes be the touchstone for this planning effort. Care must be taken that any changes do not destroy the very things that make the site appealing in the first place.

At the previous planning workshops a desire was expressed to preserve the current unobstructed view of the train station. This conflicts with the proposed moving of the bus terminal to be adjacent to the station. Given this conflict, it is unclear if this site could provide all the necessary components of an effective transit hub -- 24 hour access and an accessible design that accommodates bus riders' needs for lighting, seating, and sheltered protection from sun and rain.

Some of the attributes of the current transit hub that any replacement facility must include are access for OCTA buses, Amtrak Thruway buses, pedestrians (including the disabled), bicycles, taxis

and commuter drop-off "kiss and ride." Also to be anticipated and accommodated in the design are future Measure M "Go Local" bus or rail service, future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), tour buses and a potential High Speed Rail (aka bullet train).

The design must take into account the varying length of buses - small, medium (25-30 ft), regular (40 ft), articulated (60ft); the need for space and rest/relief areas for transit personnel during their breaks between runs, diesel vehicle emissions, CNG/LNG venting issues, "wide load" pedestrians - (e.g. 2 abreast, or with strollers, luggage carts, wheelchairs). Care must be taken to, as much as possible, minimize the danger of accidents from conflicts with the traffic flow of intersecting pedestrians, taxis, drop-offs, buses, etc. The road surface must be durable - we suggest concrete instead of decorative brick (to prevent a repeat of the current situation of severe roadway crumbling). Amenities should include pay phones, ticket vending machines, passenger bathrooms and drinking fountains.

While decisions are being made for the future, there are some current deficiencies at the transit center regarding customer information that should be addressed immediately, as they cause substantial confusion and can be solved at inconsequential cost. These include adequate dock signage, display of both a transit system map and a local area map and racks for the bus system book, bus and train schedules, and notices.

We would be happy to serve as a resource regarding the transit element of this project. As a nonprofit we are eager to partner with key stakeholders to support and enhance area redevelopment.

Thank you for your kind attention.

**Southern California  
Transit Association**

### Open Letter to Councilmember Keller:

What has happened to the Pam Keller I voted for? The Pam Keller who was one of the people. The Pam Keller who I thought was not in favor of a large-scale development that is incompatible with the mostly two-story character of our historic downtown.

I am very disappointed to learn that you are in favor of a seven-story structure on the parking lots of west Amerige Avenue, which is surrounded by one and two-story, mostly historic, buildings and that you further condone the demolition of four historic buildings on the 100 block of north Malden Ave. These buildings were not even addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Report but were, rather, inserted into the final EIR without proper analysis in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. This option was not available for public input prior to the Council's certification of the flawed EIR.

I am even more disturbed that you now state that all the voices you hear speaking against this project are the minority, that you "used to be one of them" (as if this is an "us-versus-them" situation), and that only those opposed to a project turn out for these meetings. This is an outrageous fallacy!!! Just three years ago, when the Fox Theatre was facing the wrecking ball, the voices were loud on both sides of the issue. You now hear voices on both sides of the Amerige Court issue, but choose to listen only to the minority of voices in favor!

The Amerige Court project is not compatible with historic downtown Fullerton, architecturally or in scale. Had this massive project been proposed closer to the tallest building in downtown Fullerton, maybe it would be more acceptable. But that is not possible since there is no public property to give away to the developer (and battles have already been fought and won to preserve

Rutabegorz). The public visioning meetings you refer to only supported highrises on the periphery of downtown, and the 100 block of West Amerige is hardly the periphery! Further, the Amerige Court project was not brought to the public until deep into the planning stages. Considering that the property involved is public land, isn't this a little bit backward? The public was never involved in a "visioning process" for land that ultimately belongs to the public! And now that building costs are so high, and the real estate market has plateaued (not to mention the no-longer-needed additional parking), shouldn't this entire project be scrapped? Now that the requirements have changed, shouldn't the RFP be re-issued? I know if I were a developer who had bid on this plum, I'd be first in line to sue the City for changing the rules of the proposal well after the successful bidder was selected. And, if I were Pelican-Laing, I'd be losing my patience with the continual changes to the project since "we" don't really know what "we" want!!!

Listen to your constituents. We don't want this project and you were elected to represent us, not the developers.

Judith G. Berg Fullerton

#### HOW TO VOICE YOUR OPINION

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### Golden Hill Renaissance Faire 8:30am: Grand Parade • 9am: Performances Begin Friday, May 18th at Golden Hill Elementary School



Take a trip back in time by coming to Golden Hill Elementary School's 10th Annual Renaissance Faire. Come learn about the history, culture, and arts in this moment in time. At this faire, 120 sixth-graders dress up and put on six different venues of Renaissance times for your entertainment. One of these shows is an indoor play, Macbeth. This is an educational and enjoyable experience, especially because it's some of our first times on stage.

These shows are sponsored by All the Arts for All the Kids Foundation, Golden Hill's P.T.A., the sixth-grade teachers, and our fabulous artist in residence Katherine England!

- Nikki Phelps, Grace Marshall & Cassia Kehoe

### 1:1 Laptop Evaluation Presentation

by Jan Youngman

At the April 24 Fullerton School Board meeting, CSUF Professor Loretta Donovan and UCI Professor Douglas Grimes reported that teachers, parents and students expressed overall satisfaction with the laptop program and it seemed to be meeting needs of all the children.

They described the use of remote collaboration; teachers using planned integrated lessons; researching authentic content; and being more proficient in using the laptop programs. 40% of student respondents reported school work was more interesting. 84% of elementary students and 80% of older students responded that they liked school more than last year. 80% of the parents wanted the laptop program to continue.

Concerns expressed were; the weight of the laptop that students must carry; managerial and administrative rights (students wanted to be able to do what they want and not have blocking controls on laptops); software selection; operating issues (everyone wants non-functioning laptops fixed immediately); and inappropriate use of laptops for playing games and accessing the "MySpace" site on the internet.

In comparing CST scores of schools using laptops to those without laptops, no statistical differences or correlations were found. While English Language Arts were similar with a minor increase, math scores for Nicolas rose, while math scores for Fisler decreased.

Recommendations: Better communication with parents that have a misunderstanding of the program and its benefits. A need to communicate that some computer repairs take time. There is an unequal home access to the internet. Dr. Donovan recommended that FSD continue negotiating the cost of laptops; Provide parents with education on use of laptops, how to help their children with electronic homework, and on at-home laptop discipline.

Following the presentation, Trustee Sugarman said that she wondered why so many more repairs were needed and asked if people had become more complacent about the care of the laptops. Ms. Donovan responded that after two years laptops do not work as well and in one district 50% of the laptops were recalled. Trustee Berryman asked about follow-up of students through high school. The response was that it would be very difficult to do at present though Dr. McCune said that next year there will be state-wide student ID program in place so students will be able to be followed.

Ms. Harris, a parent, criticized the report for containing "no hard science." She pointed out that the response of 272 students, 26 staff/teachers and 583 parents was "less than one school." Is there a reason there was not more of a return? She said that the program should be an elective or a lab.

There are approximately 2,000 students in the laptop program but the report is based on only 272 surveys, a 13% return. In reading the report online, I found that though Nicolas Jr. High students (950+) completed their responses in a classroom under supervision of the technology teacher and the Assistant to the Superintendent, only 85 responses were returned. And districtwide only 26 of the 85 teachers participating in the laptop program responded.

While I am sure that Professor Donovan is a very qualified person and she did do an extensive analysis of the data, I would have preferred someone who does not specialize in computers in the schools. Why not hire an independent researcher that asks in-depth questions? The District could even have the students, teachers and parents design their own survey. They might come up with suggestions for improving the program that will surprise.

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The Used Book Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Fullerton Public Library will be held May 18th and 19th from 10am to 4pm and Sunday the 20th from 1pm to 4pm at the Osborne Auditorium in the Fullerton Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth. The phone number is 738-6327.

Purchases are 1/2 price on Sunday and the Buck-A-Bag sale begins at 3:15. Among the unusual offerings this year is a large collection of classical sheet music, the Encyclopedia of Mystery and Detection, Wordsworthian Criticism, the Nonsexist Word Finder, Dictionary of Cultural Literacy, Quotations by People of Color, an 1879 Sears Catalog, The Book of Hit Singles, a Dictionary of European Literature and more including a category for textbooks.

Shoppers confined to walkers or wheelchairs may shop on Thursday, May 17 from 1pm to 3pm.

Volunteers are needed to help our team of men cart the 587 boxes of books upstairs via elevator. Each box holds about 20 books. This is, of course, a critical job for the success of the event. If you are able to help out please come to the Library at 10am on Thurs, May 17 and call Sale chair Donna Jaecker at 738-6473.

## New Officers for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), a university support group of more than 800 retired and semi-retired individuals is based at Cal State Fullerton. Recently new officers were elected.

Barbara Talento, CSUF emeritus professor of nursing, was installed as president.

Newly installed officers for the 2007-08 board are: Sharon Graham, treasurer; Bob Forrester, VP of facilities; Fredrick Von Coelln, VP of programs; Elaine Mitchell, VP of special events; and Ken Kamber, VP of membership services.

Continuing their terms are: Marilyn Bates, secretary; Bob Nixon, VP of administration; Ruth Symonds, VP of communications; and Andy Washington, VP of external relations.

Newly elected trustees are: John Pinson, John Blaydes, Joyce Ono, and Henry Giano. They join Jean Franks, Angela Friedman, Mitzi Herman, Richard Kraft and past president Charlotte Fox.



## Observer Around the World

Burt Codispodi, pictured above holding a copy of the *Observer*, is a teacher at Mattole Triple Junction High School. The very tiny school groups all high school aged students together. Burt teaches science, physical education, music, and German. He lives in Redcrest, a 45 min. drive over the mountain from the school which is in the tiny town of Honeydew, and serves the

whole Mattole Valley in northern California. The small community is thrilled to have such a multi-talented and fun-spirited teacher added to the staff which must wear many hats in such a tiny school. The Codispodi family is well-known in Fullerton for its longtime "Giovanni's Pizza," and generous contributions to kids sports.

## Alcoholic Beverage Targets Youth

With spending on alcohol advertisements at an all time high, and teens making up roughly 12 to 20 percent of the entire alcohol industry market, some prevention experts are questioning the advertising campaign of a new alcoholic drink called "Spykes," produced by Anheuser-Busch. The drink is sold in 2-ounce bottles (similar in size to nail polish bottles) and contains malt liquor with 12% alcohol content infused with ingredients similar to that of energy drinks. The mini alcoholic beverages come in mango, lime and chocolate flavors and are sold for 75¢ to \$1. The online advertising campaign can be found at [www.spykeme.com](http://www.spykeme.com).

Community Service Programs (CSP)-Project PATH (Positive Action Toward Health) is a non-profit organization that focuses on alcohol, tobacco and drug prevention and education. PATH is funded by the County of Orange Health Care Agency Alcohol and Drug Education and Prevention Team. To learn more Project PATH call Jenny Gilley at 714.441.0807.

## Amerige Court Featured at Downtown Business Association Meeting

Dick Hamm of Pelican-Laing was invited to speak about the company's Amerige Court proposal at the Downtown Business Association meeting held at The Twisted Vine on May 8.

The project is being proposed for the area directly behind Fullerton Hardware on both sides of Amerige. About 20 persons attended the meeting. Many questions were asked about the proposed project, scale, mass, traffic, parking, financing, number of condos, circulation, impact on businesses, residents, historic structures, environmental impacts, etc.

There was no consensus by the end of the meeting whether the current proposal would be supported or not supported by those attending the meeting.

Pelican-Laing was asked to scale the 9-story proposal down by the council majority. The new proposal includes 6 stories, one layer of underground parking, and a public plaza. A public hearing on the new proposal is expected in June.



Fullerton College Foundation VP Mary Shaw presents Omar Flores (3.85 GPA accounting major) with a scholarship at the annual awards banquet. Over ninety grants were awarded.

## COLLEGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

by Warren Bowen

The Fullerton College Foundation presented over ninety scholarship grants to current and incoming students at its April 26th awards banquet. Students, their guests, faculty and administrative representatives and community leaders were hosted by the Foundation's board at the Meridian Club for the evening's festivities.

Orange County Supervisor Chris Norby gave a keynote address and presented an award named for his late mother, June Seamans Norby, a graduate and later an employee of the college.

Foundation Vice President Mary Shaw and Executive Director Michelle Wulfestieg presented the scholarships while Foundation President Mark Von Esch congratulated the winners and their families. The students were selected by faculty representatives and the Foundation scholarship committee members.

Fullerton College, sometimes overshadowed by CalState Fullerton, has provided higher education opportunities since 1913 and is the oldest continuously operating community college in California. The Foundation, established by former college President H. Lynn Sheller, assists various college programs with special needs beyond the resources of the district and most especially students who otherwise might not be able to continue their educations through four year college degree programs.

Citizens who wish more information, including the means of assisting the scholarship programs, are invited to contact the Foundation by telephone 525-5651 or visit the Foundation's website at [www.fullcollfoundation.org](http://www.fullcollfoundation.org).

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Lea Jew (on board CJA Flag Flying) and Megan Herr, proud winners at the Youth Expo Horse Show.

## Fullerton 4H-ers Shine at Youth Expo

Fullerton's 4H Club won the award for "Most Variety of Entries" at this year's Youth Expo. That award represents more than 35 members, ages 5 to 19, showing off what they've learned in projects ranging from gardening to music, rabbits to horses, citizenship to foods, and drawing to arts and crafts. Scrapbooks, candles, baked foods, fruit leather, and terrariums as well as art projects, adorned the FBS Youth Expo booth on the last weekend of April. A number of entries from the Fullerton 4H-ers made it to the winners' circle, to the joy of all the club members.

Two riders from Fullerton's Horseless Horse project also took home an array of first, second, and third place ribbons in the Youth Expo horse show, English riding division.

"We appreciate the wide variety of activities 4H offers," states Laurel Jew, "and we also love its family-oriented approach. We think it's the best deal in town for our kids."

Experienced leaders Susan Yaros and Stacey Pascoe are second-generation 4H-ers themselves. For years they've helped the Fullerton club sponsor a County-wide Food Fiesta competition-and compiled the annual recipe book listing each and every child's tasty entries.

Lea Jew, a high schooler who will be working as a counselor



Megan Herr, Horseless Horse 4H Project Member, takes CJA Flag Flying over the fences to a blue ribbon at the Youth Expo Horse Show

this summer, tells us, "4H camp, every August, offers a chance to meet kids from all over Orange County and enjoy lots of fun activities at Camp Conrad."

For more information on 4H activities near you, on 4H camp opportunities, or on the Fullerton 4H club, see the web site at [www.oc4h.org](http://www.oc4h.org).

See page 11 for more 4H Youth Expo winners

In 1975, John Parra moved to Fullerton where he now lives with his wife Heidi, a math professor at Mount San Antonio College. They have two children who are in their twenties, daughter Maria and son J.C. John is a Counselor/Professor at Rio Hondo College. His hobbies are reading, travel, golf, and "opus reduction." He has an A.A. from Fullerton College and a Bachelor's degree and two Master's from CSUF. Other interests include brain-based learning, writing, and leadership.

At Left:  
John and his mom.



## John Parra What are you reading?

### The Developing Mind: How Relationships and the Brain Interact to Shape Who We Are

by Daniel J. Siegel

#### What is the book about?

Siegel investigates how personal relationships affect brain chemistry. If some readers of the *Observer* think this book title might be too much for them, they can look at the cover and change their minds: "Why can't we remember what we did at age three? Why are some children unusually shy? What is the biochemistry of humiliation, and how it can be toxic to the developing child's brain. New and plausible answers to these questions emerge from Siegel's synthesis of neurobiology, research psychology and cognitive science. "His subject, how we become the people we are, deserves to hold many readers spell-bound." - *Publishers Weekly*

#### What else have you read recently?

I am also reading Don't Think of an Elephant: Know Your Values and Frame the Debate: The Essential Guide for Progressives by George Lakoff, Howard Dean, and Don Hazen.

It is about how the Republican Party succeeds by controlling the language of key issues and positioning themselves in favorable terms to voters. Democrats weaken their position when they argue against loaded Republican terms such as "pro-life", "tax relief", and "family values."

#### What is your favorite book?

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. She really knows how to write and gives beautiful insights that help me in counseling students.

If you are a Fullerton resident and want to share your reading, please email [bilyppearl@excite.com](mailto:bilyppearl@excite.com).

Edited for the Fullerton Observer by William Enright

## CSUF Students Lobby in Sacramento

Representatives from Associated Students, CSUF, Inc. lobbied in Sacramento on May 2 with Senator Dick Ackerman and Assemblymen Mike Duvall, Van Tran, Chuck DeVore, and Mike Spitzer.

Heather Williams, ASI president; Curtis Schlauffman, ASI director of government relations; and Adam Aguilar, ASI board of director, represented ASI and Cal State Fullerton regarding issues affecting students,

including:

- The proposed 10% fee increase
- Assembly Bill 302, which calls for Cal Grant B assistance for incoming students
- Assembly Bill 175, which calls for more money for non-student related fees, such as housing costs, books and transportation

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## Going Green, What it Means

### Free Public Forum May 21 to Discuss the Challenge of Creating and Maintaining Fullerton as a "Green" City

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The forum will address the challenge of creating and maintaining sustainable communities and how local governments can take action to reduce energy consumption and help fight global warming.

Bruce Hostetter will serve as moderator. Hostetter is a board member and advocacy chair of the Orange County Chapter, US Green Building Council and a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Accredited Professional. He is a long-time proponent of sustainable environments.

"Global warming reaches far beyond politics and while the situation may seem dire there is something each of us can do now. We can encourage our city to take action to conserve energy and build 'green' buildings. We can't wait and let the other guy do it. This open forum will explore what actions Fullerton can take - now and in the future - to help our community 'go green,'" says Hostetter.

Panelists include Patrick McNelly, Fullerton Energy and Resource Management Commission; Jeffrey Harlan, environmental consultant; Victoria Betancourt, Planning Commissioner, City of Santa Ana; Janice Roosevelt, manager, Anaheim Public Utilities Business and Community Program; John Carroll, chair of the CSUF Geography Department; Dennis Quinlivan, landscape supervisor, City of Fullerton; and Jane Reifer, member, OCTA Citizens Advisory Committee.

"It is impressive that 400 cities, including Laguna Beach, Huntington Beach and Santa Ana have signed the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement," says NUFF co-chair Jesus Silva. He points out that *Newsweek's* April 16 issue was devoted to California's role in energy conservation. "One article was really significant. 'Mayors Take the Lead' emphasized that the federal government has been dithering on climate change and energy conservation for years but fortunately America's local leaders are filling the vacuum."

NUFF is a non-partisan political action committee. One of its functions is to provide public information forums that generate public awareness, build a more informed electorate, and enhance the quality of life in our community. The forum is free and open to the public and will start promptly at 6:45 P.M. For information, call Jim Ranii, 526-5312 or Jesus Silva, 525-3750.

## COUNCIL NOTES

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Using the example that during a sunny day, everyone is happy and waving at each other - the cars driving by, the horse riders, that the hillside and trail belongs to everyone. But, during rainy days, this good will disappears and the hillside all of a sudden becomes the home owner's alone. She pleaded with council to do what was right and fair.

•**BRENDA GUMATICO**, a nineteen-year-resident of the area, said she was a senior on a fixed income and could not afford what the city was asking her to do. She, too, asked the city to assist the neighbors in resolving the problem.

•**LORI WEBBER**, another homeowner who has property affected by the notice, was confused at receiving the letter from the city. She asked how the city can determine who was at fault and who wasn't regarding the soil spillage.

•**HERBERT SCHROEDER**, a 30 year resident, said there had been sliding in the past, but not to the level of uniform slippage that had occurred a couple years ago after the city had graded the bridge trail. He felt that there was some form of negligence on the city's part, and agreed with the other speakers that more needs to be done.

At this point Mayor Nelson thanked the speakers but reminded them that there was a limit to what the government could do regarding the issue. In reference to the letters going out to individuals who were perhaps not negligent or affected by the slides, he said the city did not do an in depth study as to the property lines and it was difficult to define where one property began and another

ended. Nelson asked Mr. Hoppe if there was a meeting planned. Don Hoppe responded that he would be happy to meet with the homeowners. The GHAD study that was mentioned earlier was decided not to be feasible in this case to the city's knowledge. (ED: a Geological Hazards Abatement District is an insurance-like mechanism where areas with possible environmental issues group together within a city, county or statewide to spread the risk. Members within the GHAD pay an assessment which runs as an encumbrance against the property. A GHAD is put in place at the time of environmental review of a new development on land that has possible geological hazards and is recorded on the final map of the development. Fullerton has GHADs in place and the city could choose to annex the slipping area into one of the existing GHADs to pay for remedying the problem without impacting the General Fund. Or there may be one in place already for the trail system in Fullerton that would cover the cleanup. The *Observer* is awaiting an answer on this from Don Hoppe.)

Nelson said the city's position was that the slippage was not caused by any work done by the city on the trail. He said the city was open to meeting with the owners again on this subject.

Mayor Nelson stated that the City did look into the possibility of funding for the problem but to the best of his recollection it did not find anything that could help. He was happy to agendize the item if the homeowners wished. He said that the council did want to help the residents.

## Some Current & Pending Development Projects in Fullerton

- 1) **Amerige Court**: 68-foot Multi-story, mixed-use w/ parking garage. 100 block of W. Amerige west of Harbor downtown.
- 2) **Transportation Center** south of Commonwealth from Harbor to Lawrence 35-acres of mixed use buildings of various heights, plaza and parking.
- 3) **First Evangelical Free Church** 3-level parking garage, 20,000 sq.ft. multi-purpose building & 16,000 sq.ft administrative building at 2801 N. Brea Blvd at Bastanchury.
- 4) **Jacaranda Senior Apts** at former Sunny Hills Racquet Club on Rosecrans west of Euclid. 131 apts.
- 5) **Sunrise Village** 14-acre corner of Rosecrans & Euclid propodal for 375 condos & 80,000 sq ft retail space or 396,000 sq ft commercial/office development
- 6) **West Coyote Hills** Chevron proposal for 760 residential units on hold
- 7) **Sunrise Assisted Living** 68-bed facility at 2226 N. Euclid
- 8) **Jefferson Commons** 375 student residential units w/30,000 retail/commercial, 1,225 parking spaces Commonwealth & Chapman
- 9) **Providence Center**: commercial/office w/10,400 sq ft retail, 8,000 sq ft restaurants, 101,725 sq ft medical offices, 3,700 sq ft administrative offices, 549 space parking garage at Sunnycrest
- 10) **68 residential condos** at former Morehouse Mustard industrial building, 1600 W. Commonwealth near Basque by Olsen Co.
- 11) **Retail Center** Euclid & Orangethorpe w/5 buildings 50,301 sq ft on 4.51 acres
- 12) **Home Depot/Sam's Club** demo of existing building & construction of new 370,750 sq ft retail center at 601-629 N. Placentia Ave
- 13) **HPA** 10 industrial buildings w/25 units & 215,335 sq ft at 1300 E. Valencia at Sally
- 14) **McDonald's** behind the Fox on Chapman and Pomona. Move & build 4,400 sq ft drive-thru
- 15) **Newcastle Development** mixed use 4,000 sq ft commercial w/28 condos at 345 E. Commonwealth at Lawrence
- 16) **Paul Kim Architects** 2-story, 7,225 sq ft office building at 1601 N. Harbor
- 17) **St Jude Plaza Phase II**: 1.12 acres northwest corner of Harbor & Valencia Mesa 97,875 sq ft 75 ft high medical plus 90 ft high parking structure.
- 18) **St Jude expansion** northeast corner Harbor & Valencia Mesa multi-story thru 2030
- 19) **SOCO** on W. Santa Fe 5-level 1,000 space parking structure (one level underground)
- 20) **Sommerville Conzelman** Apt, 201 Balcom near Walnut. 86-unit apt complex

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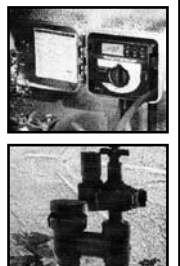
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## Moratorium on Large Development Projects

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A single signature form accompanies this article (see lower right corner), which you can clip, sign and send into the mailing address provided. Additional single or multi-signature forms are available by contacting Friends for a Livable Fullerton at the numbers below.

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### FRIENDS FOR A LIVABLE FULLERTON EVENTS

- **May 24, Thursday at 7pm:** Moratorium Forum will explain what a moratorium is and how it can be used as a planning tool. The forum will be held at the First Lutheran Church, 215 N. Lemon, at the corner of Wilshire.
- **May 26, Saturday at 8am:** A no-host breakfast meeting at the IHOP, 151 W. Orangethorpe Ave (between Highland and Harbor). Come enjoy breakfast with friends and learn the basics about the moratorium concept. After breakfast at 9am we will "hit the streets" walking in pairs through the neighborhoods and collect signatures. Join us for as long as you want and return to headquarters for refreshments by 3pm. (another signature gathering event will take place on June 2. See the website or call for location and details.

## Moratorium Q & A

### 1. WHAT IS A MORATORIUM?

A moratorium is a planning tool that can allow the City Council and City planning staff to take a "time out" while they consider how to approach a given situation facing the city. It is typically focused on a specific issue and limited in time. It does not suggest direction for the future that a City should take on any issue; it just allows time to investigate the trends and impacts and allows direction to be decided.

### 2. WHEN IS A MORATORIUM USED?

A moratorium is used when planning issues such as population growth, water and sewer service needs, transportation problems, hillside hazards, protection of natural resources, etc., have reached such a level of magnitude that there is agreement the issue needs to be reviewed before proposed development may continue. A moratorium gives the city a little breathing space to allow them to develop policies and regulations to address protecting the public's interest.

### 3. HAVE OTHER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CITIES USED THE MORATORIUM PROCESS?

Use of a moratorium is a common practice among cities and counties throughout California. Moratoriums have been used in the City of Tahoe, County of Santa Barbara, Monterey County, County of Orange, Sonoma County and many others.

A practical way to understand how cities use this tool is the case of the City of Irwindale where billboards were being submitted for review on every freeway off-ramp and city street and the City had no current codes or restrictions to allow or disallow their construction. The City initiated a one-year moratorium on any approval of billboards until they could research the issue and development standards to allow for appropriate guidelines and controls for this type of use.

Recently, the City of Pomona established a moratorium to determine how marijuana dispensaries should be handled. Since this is a request that had not ever been presented to the City, they needed time to properly develop new policies. This type of moratorium was also used recently in Fullerton.

Other cities have used moratoria as a growth control measure to contain development until infrastructure and services can be accommodated before development takes place.

### 4. SINCE OUR CITY IS CURRENTLY UPDATING ITS GENERAL PLAN WHY WOULD A MORATORIUM BE A GOOD THING?

A General Plan is a long-term plan for future growth within a city. If a General Plan has not been updated in some time, the policies and objectives are usually out-of-date and may not reflect the current situation and long-term community goals. To allow development to proceed during the General Plan update process may threaten the long-range success of development and be contrary to orderly growth within a city. Since the City has just started the "community input" portion of the General Plan update, it would be the wisest, and most respectful of public participation, to postpone key development decisions until this important input has been collected and considered.

### 5. HOW LONG IS A MORATORIUM GENERALLY IMPOSED?

A moratorium must be short to avoid in government what is referred to as a "taking." A "taking" is a situation where property owners who are affected by a government regulation must be compensated for loss of the use of their land due to a government imposed control measure. Under California Government Code, a moratorium may last about two years.

### 6. WHAT HAPPENS IF I HAVE A PENDING APPLICATION?

If you are a resident trying to add on to your house you would be able to proceed as usual with your application. If you are a business owner and want to get a business license or an occupancy permit for your business there would be no delay for you. If you are renovating retail, commercial or industrial space you would be exempt as well.

The moratorium is specific to the type of land uses that have been determined to warrant review. For instance if the moratorium addresses significant development, as our proposal would, it would be defined to be projects of more than x number of residential units or x amount of commercial, retail or industrial square footage. Those applications that do fit the parameters of the moratorium would go on hold until the City completed its review of the current climate and conditions of the development policies and the community's input and then you would be able to submit your project at that time.



May 7, 2007

Fullerton City Council  
303 W. Commonwealth Ave.  
Fullerton, CA 92832-1710

Dear Mayor and Council Members;

We the undersigned have joined together to request that the Fullerton City Council declare an immediate moratorium on institutional, commercial, large-scale residential and parking structure development projects in the city of Fullerton until there has been a city-wide, comprehensive discussion of the direction Fullerton will take in accommodating future growth. Given that we are beginning the General Plan update process, it makes sense that we take advantage of the "many opportunities for the public to offer input" that are part of that process before proceeding with new developments, including approved projects for which permits have not been issued, and those that are currently in the entitlement phase.

Fullerton is a unique city whose marked difference from surrounding communities has attracted many residents, businesses and institutions. Its distinctiveness derives from a strong sense of community, and from the feeling of permanence and stability that results from having among its residents some whose roots are generations deep. This connection to our past is reflected in our numerous surviving historic buildings and neighborhoods. Although our city is fairly large, it retains an eclectic small-town atmosphere, with access to most areas by bicycle or on foot via an extensive network of inviting pathways. We treasure our remaining native landscape and green spaces, and even in the most crowded locales, we enjoy a sense of open space afforded by the numerous trees and the many residences with rural-style landscapes. These irreplaceable features have given us a town that, despite some current problems, still offers a superior quality of life.

Considering the sheer number and unprecedented scale of proposed developments, we are concerned that we will inadvertently sacrifice the uniqueness and livability of our town. If Fullerton becomes a cookie-cutter city as others have, we will mourn the loss of its one-of-a-kind spirit and the very qualities that have made it such a desirable place.

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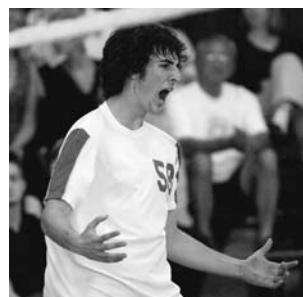
Fullerton resident Eric Samuelson has played just 2 years of competitive Volleyball.

As a 16 year old sophomore at Orange Lutheran he has contributed greatly to the success of the Lancer JV team.

In a recent match at Saint John Bosco the 6'-3" setter/opposite, played every minute of the 2 games to 1 victory. Eric hopes to compete at the collegiate level.



Eric Samuelson concentrates, while focusing on the ball during pre game warm-ups.



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## Eminent Domain Considered Against World Citrus for SOCO Parking Garage

Property at 130 W. Santa Fe Ave., owned and formerly occupied by World Citrus West as a fruit juice packing plant, is under consideration for eminent domain proceedings by the city of Fullerton. The company moved from the 5.2 acre site in March of 2006 and put it up for sale.

The Fullerton Redevelopment Agency has attempted to acquire a 2.83 acre portion of the site to build a 5-level parking structure. The 1,000 space structure is needed for Amtrak and Metrolink customers and downtown businesses.

The parking structure project is being funded through State Transportation Improvement Program funds available because in 2009 the frequency of Metrolink train service to and from Fullerton is expected to increase to one train every half hour.

The Agency made a written offer of \$7,470,000 for the property based on the valuation determined by a real estate appraiser retained by the Agency. The offer was rejected by World Citrus which provided counter offers in letters dated April 12

and May 2 2007.

The city's offer is subject to, and contingent upon acceptable soil conditions of the property and the absence of toxic or hazardous substances and any kind of soil or water contamination and delivery of a disclosure statement regarding such conditions.

The longtime industrial property is likely to have some environmental issues and was subject to repeated ammonia spills over its history with World Citrus. The offer is subject to modification depending on the results of an environmental investigation.

On April 16, 2007, the Agency sent World Citrus a "Notice of Hearing" regarding the adoption of a resolution of necessity to acquire real property by eminent domain. If the resolution of necessity is adopted the next step is to file eminent domain complaint in OC Superior Court. The Court will determine whether the Agency has the right to take the property and if so, will determine the just compensation to the company. This issue will be discussed at the May 15 council meeting.

## Conflict of Interest Waiver for Rutan & Tucker on Eminent Domain Work for City

Rutan & Tucker, LLC has represented the Fullerton Redevelopment Agency as General Counsel since the 1970s. Recently, in connection with negotiations to acquire 2.83 acres of the 5.2 acre World Citrus West property on W. Santa Fe, it was discovered that residential developer Fairfield Residential LLC could be involved in development of the remainder of the 5.2 acre parcel.

Rutan & Tucker also represents Fairfield Residential. The Redevelopment Agency has requested a conflict of interest waiver allowing Rutan & Tucker to continue representing the Agency. R&T has assured the Agency that there will be no communication between the firm

and Fairfield Residential regarding the World Citrus acquisition and probable eminent domain action which would potentially name Fairfield as a defendant. The issue comes before the council at its May 15 meeting.

## Closed Session on SOCO Walk Improvements

The City Council held a closed session May 1st to negotiate with the Olson Co. developers of SOCO Walk on 115 E. Truslow (the new condo project south of the tracks from the train station) regarding undergrounding of utilities, possible relocation of ground mounted transformers and additional landscape and hardscape improvements around the Edison Substation. Under negotiation was "price and terms."

Under what circumstances the private development of condos, priced in the low half millions, would be eligible to use city redevelopment funding was not explained.

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## Improvements for Downtown Restaurant/Bar District Proposed

Overall, city costs within the downtown Restaurant Overlay District exceed revenues by approximately \$935,000 per year. Costs to service-based departments such as Police, Fire, and Maintenance have increased since 2002 (when the ROD was approved) and will probably continue to increase if a solution to out-of-control nightlife bar activity is not found.

"Fullerton's downtown is becoming one of the most popular nighttime destinations in the greater LA area. The downtown night-time population can swell to 4,000 people even on weeknights.

While the restaurants in the District are an important element of the downtown's revitalization, they have also put increasing demands on city services. For example, calls for police assistance to quell fights and other public disturbances have been increasing. Other downtown businesses have been complaining about trash and human waste late night bar patrons leave on their properties; the large nighttime crowds have greatly increased the need for trash and waste clean-up by Maintenance Services," according to the report by the Downtown Working Group.

The group was formed to find solutions to problems downtown. Members include Fire Chief Wolfgang Knabe, Police Chief Pat McKinley, Maintenance Services Director Robert Savage, Redevelopment/Economic Director Rob Zur Schmiede, Engineering Director Don Hoppe and Acting Director of Development Joel Rosen.

Four city departments incur regular and recurring costs in the Restaurant District: Police, Fire, Maintenance Services, and Community Development. In 2006 there were 1,153 crimes downtown costing the city \$811,880. Within the past three years Fire Dept calls to downtown increased by 50% for medical problems related to intoxication and assaults in the downtown area with a cost of \$40,950 in 2006. Maintenance reported a sharp increase in hours from 7,627 pre-ROD in 2001 to 22,530 in 2006 in the downtown area at a cost of \$338,740 in 2006 alone. This does not include costs of the new steam pressure washing crew begun in January 2007.

The task force came up with a list of recommendations including standards for new ABC (State Dept of Alcoholic Beverage Control) licenses regulating liquor sales. The recommendations which will be presented at the 4pm session of the May 15 city council meeting include:

- 1) Hire 4 additional police officers to meet the high demand for law enforcement services downtown.
- 2) Suspend issuance of outdoor dining permits; terminate all existing permits effective Dec 31, 2007; modify existing process to require more stringent conditions; and invite existing permittees to reapply.
- 3) Clarify the policy within the ROD regarding removal of onsite parking.
- 4) Prepare an ordinance to establish enhanced private security requirements in connection with ABC licensees within the ROD.
- 5) Quarterly gross sales of alcoholic beverages shall not exceed gross sales of food during the same period.
- 6) No exterior advertising of alcohol
- 7) No promotion, cover charge, admission or minimum drink requirements

## Congratulations to Fullerton's Youth Expo Winners!

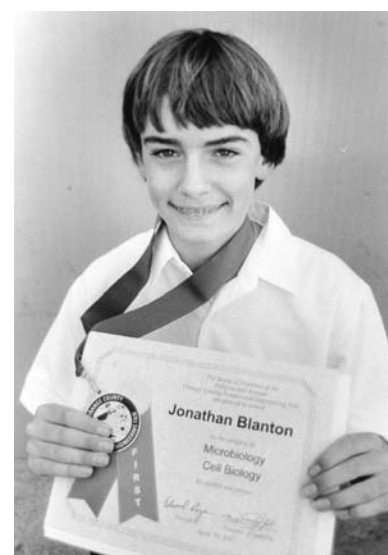
Youth Expo Winners not pictured above include: Candice Ellison/First Place Centennial Farm Scarecrow; Anthony Aragon/Science Projects; Jasmine Nguyen/Science Projects; Mikhail Barret/Painting; Nicholas Reinders/Science Projects



**HANNAH GAUTHREAUX, 12**, won four 4-H Best of Show awards in the Decorated Cakes; Food Preservation-Drying; Floriculture/Fresh Flowers; and Horticulture



**MARY FITZPATRICK, 12**, won two 4-H Best of Show in the Food & Nutrition and Food Preservation categories for her fruit leather and chocolate peanuts.



**JONATHAN BLANTON, 14**, won First Place in the Junior Microbiology/Cell Biology division of the Orange County Science & Engineering Fair.

- 8) No "happy hour" reduced price promotion
- 9) Food shall be served up to one hour before closing
- 10) Noise from the interior of the establishment shall not exceed 50 feet to the exterior. All exterior doors & windows closed and no screen doors.
- 11) Fee for nighttime parking downtown to pay for enhanced services.

The audit of revenues vs. costs downtown found that restaurants contribute about 74% or \$382,840 in sales tax revenue in 2005-06. However, the audit found that at least 11 downtown restaurants have significant discrepancies between gross receipts and sales tax and believes that the city may not be collecting the correct amount of sales tax from some establishments. Examples: In one case, a business reported gross earnings of \$1,034,076, through the 3rd quarter of 2006, but paid the city only \$8,171 in sales tax (about .8 percent instead of the 1% required). One restaurant in the study appeared to overpay its sales tax to the city by 1%.

Although the downtown area is in a Redevelopment zone, under law, property tax in the area cannot be used to defray public safety or maintenance costs except at Agency-owned facilities such as the train station.

### City Committee Position Available

The Redevelopment PAC 2 Committee makes recommendations on projects in the central Fullerton redevelopment area, which encompasses the downtown commercial belt along Harbor Boulevard, from Orangethorpe Avenue to Brea Boulevard, as well as the adjacent residential areas.

The position is volunteer. Applications may be obtained by calling the Fullerton City Clerk's Office at 738-6351, or online at cityoffullerton.com on the Clerk's page under City Departments. Deadline for returning applications is 5pm Thurs, May 31.

## Schools, Colleges & Hospital Join to Urge Workforce Housing

CSUF, Fullerton College, Hope International, SoCal College of Optometry, Fullerton high school and elementary school districts, and St. Jude Medical Center have joined together to find solutions to the lack of affordable housing for their employees.

The group Fullerton Housing Consortium is proposing that the City of Fullerton and Redevelopment Agency join in a Memorandum of Understanding in order to facilitate the collaborative development of work force housing.

The Housing Authority has already successfully developed and managed one housing project in Buena Park and is currently building another project in Fullerton at the former Elks Club property on Brea Blvd.

The groups say that the lack of affordable housing is resulting in difficulties in recruiting and retaining qualified employees.

The MOU will be presented at the 4pm May 15 City Council meeting.



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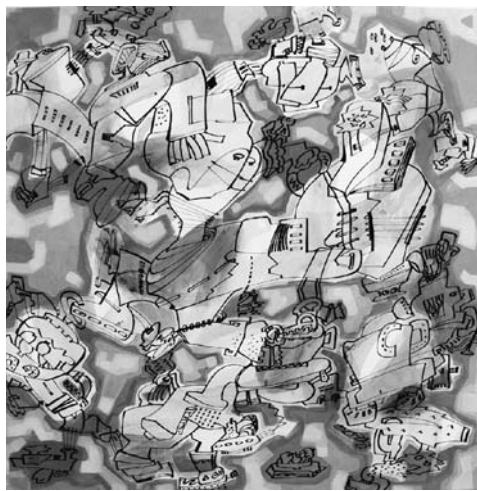
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## Hea-Sook Yoo: C'est La Vie

Hea-Sook Yoo, Artist, internationally renowned for over three decades, has her paintings hanging in residences, businesses and art galleries on three continents.

Ms. Yoo is classically trained, a graduate of the prestigious art college, Hong-Ik University in Seoul, Korea. She is a veteran of art shows in Korea, France, Germany and the United States.

In 1993, Ms. Yoo left Korea for a five-year stay in Brive, France (four hours by train from Paris). There, she traveled extensively, made a



"C'est La Vie" paintings by Hea-Sook Yoo at the Veronese through May 30

great connection with the people and the countryside and garnered many prizes for her works. In 1998, Hea-Sook arrived in the Los Angeles area where many clients now treasure owning her works. Among the California galleries where she has exhibited are the Sunyata Gallery in San Pedro, the Don O'Melveny Gallery and Classic Artforms Gallery in the Los Angeles Melrose/Robertson area, the SoHo Gallery in Studio City, the Art Company Gallery in Santa Barbara, the Gallery Veronese in Fullerton and the world-famous Coda Gallery in Palm Springs with Ms. Yoo's unique ceramic figures.

Hea-Sook has a particular passion for multi-media abstract paintings. Her current series, "C'est La Vie" features whimsical line-drawings immersed in a pulsating palate of multi-layered pat-

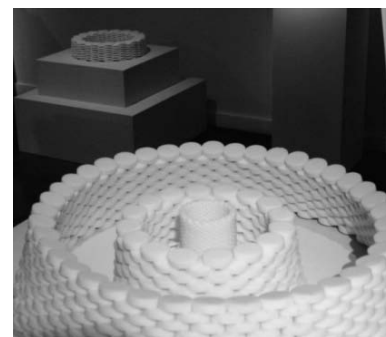
terns and vivid colors.

The exhibit lasts through May 30

### The Artist Statement:

"C'est la vie" is my current series. Earlier series were entitled "Discovery" for 3 years and then "Conversation" ongoing for 9 years. The earlier series were about deep inspiration, preparing my state of mind to let emotions flow on canvas. The theme of C'est La Vie is the fun and friends and excitement all around us. Change is everywhere. Things appear and disappear and make us dream about the way things are and about the way things could be. We are sometimes lonely but our environment is always filled with excitement, if we would just notice it. I hope C'est La Vie inspires others to become more aware of the natural wonders of everyday life.

*The Veronese is located between the Fullerton Public Library and Richman Ave. (Mango Slush is recommended!)*



Architectural ceramic works by local artist and CSUF professor Nobuhito Nishigawara on exhibit at the Muckenthaler Contemporary Asian Ceramic Art group show.

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• **"THE MEDIA"**

Reactions, Reflections, & Comments on the Culture of Media opens with a reception on May 26 from 7pm to 9pm featuring a performance by Cindy Shine.

A diverse view on media as a means of communication, its influence on society, politics, and censorship. Work on exhibit includes that of artists Jean Michele Basquiat, Keith Haring, Twinart, Feesago, Feldman, Hambleton, Mauldin, Spicer, Benedek, Tunney, Shine and Beth Gahan.

Three children's workshops for kids 6-12 on June 2, 16 and 30. Call for details. -thru July 13



## Chicantearte Greats at Carlotta's Passion

Three Chicantearte Greats: Carlos Almaraz, Gilbert "Magú" Luján, and Jose Lozano, thru May 20, 2007. This is a major exhibit with a large selection of works by the featured artists. [www.thechicanocollection.net/artists/jl/index.html](http://www.thechicanocollection.net/artists/jl/index.html)

Carlotta's Passion Fine Art is located at 2012 Colorado Blvd., LA, 90041 (323) 259-1563. Gallery hours: Wed- Sun, 12-9 pm (please call in advance on weekday evenings as we sometimes close earlier); and by appointment.

•**FULLERTON MUSEUM CENTER**

301 N. Pomona at Wilshire  
738-6545 [FMC@ci.fullerton.ca.us](mailto:ci.fullerton.ca.us)

## "Strings of Paradise: Ukulele & Steel Guitar"

Opens May 26 with a reception at 6pm with a curator's tour of the exhibit, refreshments and Hawaiian-themed entertainment.

Although the ukulele and steel guitar were relatively late additions to Hawaii's cultural traditions, they are the instruments most often thought of when the conversation - not to mention, the music - turns to Hawaii. And it is those two instruments that will be the focus of "Strings of Paradise: the Ukulele and Steel Guitar," a new exhibit opening Saturday, May 26, at the Fullerton Museum Center.

The exhibit focuses on more than a century of Hawaiian musical heritage, from Hawaii's time as a sovereign kingdom to its statehood and examines the obvious and not-so-obvious impacts these stringed instruments had on mainland culture and popular music.

While its culture dates back to ancient times, the ukulele and the steel guitar are relative newcomers to Hawaii's musical traditions, both having appeared in the 1800s. History has it that guitars first appeared in the islands in the hands of European sailors in the early 1800s. It was the Hawaiians who later transformed the instrument into the steel guitar.

The ukulele arrived in the islands in the late 1800s with Portuguese immigrants who came to work in the sugar cane fields. They brought with them a traditional four-stringed Portuguese instrument called a "braga," which the Hawaiians adapted into the instrument that became known as the

ukulele.

On display are several rare and historic Hawaiian instruments from the extensive collection of Mac Yasuda.

Although Orange County country singer/entrepreneur Yasuda grew up in Japan, he became hooked on American music and instruments - country and western, and Hawaiian - and went on to amass one of the world's premiere collections of ukuleles and steel guitars.

Also featured in the exhibit will be a display of Hawaiiana, including the still-popular Aloha shirts, dolls, and menu covers with Hawaiian musical designs.

"Strings of Paradise: the Ukulele and Steel Guitar" will run through Sept. 9.

Admission to the special preview reception will be \$20 for the general public and free to members of the Fullerton Museum Center.

The Fullerton Museum Center, named the "Outstanding Arts Organization" by Arts Orange County, is located at 301 N. Pomona Ave., east of Harbor Blvd., in downtown Fullerton. Hours are noon-4 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday and Friday-Sunday, and noon - 8 p.m. Thursday.

Admission: \$4/adults, \$3/students and senior citizens 65 and older, \$1/children 6 to 12, and free to children under 5 and to members of the Fullerton Museum Center. Admission is \$2 for all visitors from 4pm the first Thursday of each month.

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### Academy of Arts Gala

Terry Blackley, former FUHS music teacher and retired Dean of Fine Arts at Fullerton College and Bill Klinghoffer, founder of Friends of Jazz were honored at the FUHS Academy of Arts Gala held at Villa del Sol.

Soft music wafted from the second floor balcony as attendees ate dinner and enjoyed jazz and celebrated these two dedicated men.



Fullertonian Jane Steckler with musician Huey Lewis at the recent American Academy of Audiology Conference in Denver. Jane is an Audiologist and owns Practical Hearing downtown. She fits lots of musicians with hearing aids. Turns out Huey also wears one.

### Save the Dates for Outdoor Summer Music

The Fullerton Parks & Recreation Department's popular free outdoor summer concert series at the Sports Complex returns with a lineup of performers sure to please every musical taste.

All concerts in the series will be held from 6:30-8pm. While food will be available for purchase, concert-goers are welcome to bring a picnic supper to enjoy, as well as lawn chairs or blankets for seating.

In addition to the music, the concert will feature special activities for children.

The 18-acre Fullerton Sports Complex is located at 560 E. Silver Pine St., which is off Bastanchury Road, west of Brea Boulevard, in the Brea Dam flood control basin.

**July 18: THE ANSWER**, **July 24: BIG SANDY AND HIS FLY RITE BOYS** **Aug 1:** "Hot August Night" featuring DEAN COLLEY tribute to Neil Diamond **Aug 8: THE DEREK BORDEAUX GROUP** Motown, Soul and R&B **Aug 15: THE TOM NOLAN BAND** Blues, rock and R&B **Aug 22: JAMES INTVELD** Nashville style rockabilly

For more info call 738-3333, or 738-6545.

### Focus on Vocal & Instrumental Jazz in June 4 Free Concert

Jazz lovers in town won't want to miss out on an evening of exceptional musical entertainment on Monday, June 4, beginning at 7 p.m. In Plummer Auditorium, located on the Fullerton Union High School campus, the school's renowned Jazz Choir and Jazz Ensemble will be performing their final concert of the year.

"These two groups have made a name for themselves over the past months as their music has been heard by more and more people in our community," said Jill DeWeese, director of Jazz Studies at FUHS. "We have been performing at events throughout Fullerton and doing quite well in the jazz festival competitions we have entered this year."

Local residents are not the only ones to have enjoyed the talents of Fullerton's Jazz Choir. In 2003, they were invited to sing at Carnegie Hall in New York City. They were one of 15 jazz choirs from across the country selected to participate in the annual Phil Mattson's Vocal Jazz Festival. Entry to this festival is by invitation only. The jazz choir returned to New York City in 2006 to perform at Jazz at Lincoln Center with Manhattan Concert Production's Vocal Jazz Festival featuring Janis Siegel from the famous Manhattan Transfer.

Monday night's program will include the Jazz Choir performing Manhattan Transfer favorites including "Killer Joe", "A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square", and "Ray's Rockhouse". Other selections will include the big band favorite "Sing, Sing, Sing" as done by the New York Voices.

The Jazz Ensemble, featuring several graduating seniors, will perform jazz standards such as "Goodbye Pork Pie Hat", Miles Davis' "Four", and "Mambo" from the musical "West Side Story."

Admission to the concert is free and open to the general public. Donations will be graciously accepted at the door to further support Fullerton Union High School's music programs.

For more information on the concert, please contact Jill DeWeese at 714.626-3975 or check out the Fullerton Academy of Arts website at Fullertonarts.com.

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### O.C. Ragtime Society Perform at "The Cave" at Mo's on May 19

The best in live vintage and contemporary ragtime music can be heard in downtown Fullerton with the next gathering of the Orange County Ragtime Society (OCRS) on Saturday, May 19, 2007.

The performance begins at 1:30pm and winds up at 5pm at "The Cave" at Mo's Fullerton Music, 121 N. Harbor Blvd., Fullerton. No reservation is required and there's no cover charge.

OCRS features a variety of Southern California musicians specializing in ragtime and such ragtime-related forms as the blues and Tin Pan Alley pop songs. A different set of musicians attends each time, but past performers have included Bill Mitchell, Patrick Aranda, Robbie Rhodes, Bob Pinsker, Nan Bostick, Carl Sonny Leyland, Andrew

Barrett, Erika C. Miller, Tom Brier, Brad Kay and Marc Sachnoff.

Upcoming OCRS meets are June 16 and September 15 at Steamers Jazz Club, 138 W. Commonwealth Ave., Fullerton, and August 18 at Mo's. All three performances are 1pm to 4:30pm.

OCRS was founded in November, 2001, as an offshoot of RagFest, the Orange County Ragtime Festival held in Fullerton each fall. Both club and festival celebrate ragtime, the pop music that reigned in the U.S. from 1897 through the 1920s. For details on RagFest and OCRS, go to ragfest.com.

For more information on the musicale, contact Eric Marchese, the club's founder, at 836-1104, or the music store at 871-1805.

### Bach's Mass in B Minor

BACH'S MASS IN B MINOR will be performed by the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata, Soloists and Orchestra on Saturday night, May 19th at 7:30pm and Sunday afternoon, May 20th, at 4pm. Both performances will be in the Cypress College Campus Theater, 9200 Valley View (between Lincoln and Orange) in Cypress.

This chorale masterpiece is one of the most astonishing and profound statements of Baroque art.

General Admission is \$15. Senior citizens and Students \$12. Children \$7. Further information is available at (714) 484-7210.

### DOWNTOWN MARKET MUSIC

Admission to the outdoor market is free. Fresh produce, food booths, craft booths, kids activities (cost \$2-\$4), beer garden, and live music. Free parking across the street. The market is located next to the Fullerton Museum Center on Wilshire & Pomona a block from downtown Fullerton. 4:30pm to 8:30pm w/ music at 6:30pm.

- **May 17: BUBBA & BIG BAD BLUES** (also Oct 18)
- **May 24: SOUTH SEAS POLYNESIAN MUSIC AND DANCERS.**
- **May 31: THE DYNOTONES** w/ Dano Nichols, Dan Moses, Rob Kruse, & Scott Simpson surf music
- **June 7: VENTURES MANIA** w/ Deke Dickerson's Hawaiian-themed music

### STEAMERS

138 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton  
**May 14:** Big Band 2000; **May 15:** Chris Williams Sextet; **May 16:** Elaine Miles; **May 17:** Bruce Babad tribute to Paul Desmond; **May 19:** Barbara Morrison; **May 20:** Golden Eagles Dixieland (2-5pm) and at 8pm Tom Catanzaro Group Jazz Jam; **May 21:** Arlene & Guys Big Band; **May 22:** Kristin Korb Trio; **May 23:** Gerry Gibbs Thrasher Big Band; **May 24:** Dewey Erney Quartet w/Ron Eschete; **May 25:** Jackie Ryan w/ Jeff Hamilton Trio & guest Rickey Woodard; **May 26:** Anthony Wilson Quartet w/Chico Pinherio; **May 27:** Jazz Jam w/Tom Catanzaro; **May 28:** Mark Hix's Big Band

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## HITS & MISSES



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### FRACTURE: Two Hits

A mind-twisting plot and some notable performances make "Fracture" a movie worth the price of the ticket. Set in Los Angeles, "Fracture" offers some stunning overhead views of the now iconic Disney Hall and its surrounding Bunker Hill structures. With a carefully crafted script, writers Daniel Pyne and Glenn Gers create a gripping two-hour entertainment.

Ted Crawford (Anthony Hopkins) drives a state-of-the-art sports car and lives in a tastefully decorated, contemporary mansion. As a renowned and respected aeronautical engineer, Ted is called in to solve baffling problems involving aircraft malfunctions. He is also married to a much younger and very beautiful woman, Jennifer (Embeth Davidtz). But Ted discovers that Jennifer is having a bi-weekly tryst at the Miramar Hotel with police detective Rob Nunally (Billy Burke). Upon her return home, Ted confronts her with her infidelity and methodically shoots her through the side of the head.

A man of meticulous precision, Ted cleans up the murder scene, contacts the police, and signs a confession. When the police department sends the case to the District Attorney (David Strathairn), he sees it as a routine conviction and assigns the case to Willy Beachum (Ryan Gosling). With a 97% conviction rate, Willy has been his most talented prosecutor, but Willy has already told his boss that he will be leaving for a high-paying job with a prestigious law firm. Willy also sees the Crawford case as an open-shut conviction and an easy assignment while he prepares to leave his current job.

Of course, nothing about the case goes as expected. Ted Crawford enters a not guilty plea. Surprising new evidence appears in the courtroom even as the case is being tried. And, most important, Willy learns that the murderer he is prosecuting is much wiler and smarter than anyone had realized.

It is at this point that the film becomes gripping. Director Gregory Hoblit ("Primal Fear") knows how to maintain the tension as his two protagonists spar with one another. He also has two excellent actors to work with. Gosling was nominated for an Academy Award for his last film, "Half Nelson." He does not have leading-man good looks, but with a boyish face, piercing eyes and an enigmatic demeanor, Gosling is superb at projecting a persona that hints at integrity and valor even as he appears indifferent and sometimes arrogant.

"Fracture" is not without flaws. A rather forced romance develops between Willy and Nikki Gardner (Rosamund Pike), the glamorous attorney who is slated to be his boss in the new law firm. Pike is a talented actor, but the script moves her relationship with Willy so quickly, that the romance does not seem believable or integral to the plot.

Hopkins, who has perfected the role of the crazed but brilliant killer, brings no new material to his character, Ted Crawford. Audiences have come to expect the smirk and the leer that made his Hannibal Lecter character so memorable and Hopkins' work in "Fracture" is often a reprise of that role. But even on "automatic pilot," Hopkins is a commanding screen presence, and he plays well against the youthful Gosling.

At its best, "Fracture" offers plot twists and surprises that entertain us until the final frame.

**Two Hits: Don't Miss It!  
A Hit & A Miss: You Might Like It  
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## Free Writers Workshop

Writing workshops taught by Barbara French, a published writer, are free with enrollment through North Orange County Community College District. Call (714) 808-4909 for more information.

Nine authors from the workshop read from their work at the Muckenthaler on Nite in Fullerton.

Shirley Jordan, who has published 21 books of histories for children, read from "To a Foreign Shore" about the pirates who attacked Monterey California. Peg Lachine read the grip-

ping opening pages of her mystery, "Moral Certainty." Benny Wasseman delivered excerpts about US presidents from "Presidents Were Teenagers Too." Ervin Tibbs gave writing tips about turning points, and the heart of a book, as he read parts of his novel, "Sunset Tomorrow." Margot Palmgren, who grew up in Germany during WWII, read a moving family scene from her memoir, "Annaliese, A Child of War."

Four poets read humorous, touching, and prize-winning poetry. The poets were Gwen Runyard, Marilyn Aamodt, Claire Brown and Barbara French.

### **MAY 17: HATE CRIME REPORT OC Human Relations, 1300 S Grand Ave., Bldg B, Santa Ana Conference Room A/B 567-7465**

[www.ochumanrelations.org](http://www.ochumanrelations.org)

10am: A panel, with OC Human Relations Chair Ken Inouye and Executive Director Rusty Kennedy and leaders of various community groups, presents the data on Hate Crime & Incidents in 2006 along with analysis.

### **MAY 17: WHO WOULD RAISE YOUR CHILD IF YOU COULDN'T? Fullerton Senior Center, 340 W. Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton Register: 738-3400**

7pm: Learn how to choose a guardian and how to fill out your own legal document. The free one-hour class is sponsored by the 57-year-old Fullerton Community Nursery School. Donations to the non-profit parent participation school are welcome.

### **MAY 18: CITY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT Fullerton Senior Center, 340 W. Commonwealth 525-2635**

6:30pm: No entry fee chess tournament with trophies at each grade level from 3rd and under through 12th. To reserve space call or email Pete Baron at 525-2635 or [pbaron@iecc.org](mailto:pbaron@iecc.org)

### **MAY 19: "TASTE OF THE TOWN: SPIRIT OF ALOHA" Downtown Museum Plaza, Wilshire Ave. (next to the Fullerton Museum) Fullerton Tickets: 525-1041**

5pm to 9pm: Annual fundraiser for Assistance League of Fullerton to support philanthropies including Operation School Bell, Meals on Wheels, Vision Screening and more. Food and beverages from 26 of Fullerton's favorite restaurants, music & entertainment are included in the \$40 advance ticket price. Reserve by May 14. Tickets at the door will cost \$50 per person. \$20 is tax-deductible.

### **MAY 19: "CHURCH & STATE LECTURE BY MICHAEL NEWDOW" Irvine Congregational, 4915 Alton Parkway, Irvine RSVP: (714) 299-4551**

2pm: Lecture by Michael Newdow the person who argued to remove "under god" from the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **MAY 20: COLNAGO BIKE DEMO Banning's Bikes 206 N. Harbor 525-2200**

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### **MAY 21: FULLERTON GOING GREEN WHAT IT MEANS Fullerton Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth www.fullertonlibrary.org 870-0098**

6:45pm: Neighbors United For Fullerton free public forum will explore how sustainability can improve our lives, today and in the future in Fullerton. Demystify the challenges of building and maintaining sustainable communities. Panelists will include energy resource and planning experts from Fullerton and neighboring cities.

Bruce Hostetter will serve as moderator. Hostetter is a board member and advocacy chair of the Orange County Chapter, US Green Building Council and a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Accredited Professional. He is a long-time proponent of sustainable environments. "Global warming reaches far beyond politics and - while the situation may seem dire - there is something each of us can do now. We can encourage our city to take action to conserve energy and build 'green' buildings. We can't wait and let the other guy do it. There are now more than 400 cities nationwide that have made a conscious decision to fight global warming. California has initiated significant legislation to combat CO2 emissions. This open forum will explore what actions Fullerton can take - now and in the future - to help our community 'go green,'" says Hostetter. Neighbors United for Fullerton is a non-partisan group committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in Fullerton through political action.

### **MAY 23: FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR KIDS Osborne Auditorium, Fullerton Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton 738-6339 www.fullertonlibrary.org/kids**

7pm: Special guest speaker Yvonne Brooks, author of "Financial Planning for Teens" and "Daily Financial Journal," and developer of the Youth Leadership Training 3000 software program will teach children about the responsibilities of money management.

and what it really takes to make their future financially secure. Participants will learn how to increase their wealth, invest at an early age, establish a financial portfolio, and save for college.

The workshop is designed for children in the first through eighth grades and their parents. The program is free.

### **MAY 31: SELF-DEFENCE FOR WOMEN ONLY Fullerton Council Chambers at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth. Parking on Amerige Call Juanita Juarez 738-6836 for more info. Free**

6pm: Fullerton Police Chief Pat McKinley offers a personal safety class for women - this time gearing the message to teenage girls. Open to all women. The class was devel-

oped by Chief McKinley, a veteran of more than 40 years in law enforcement, the class gives women insight on how to better protect themselves and increase their awareness of their surroundings to prevent potentially dangerous situations.

### **JUNE 2: FULLERTON EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION WINE & ROSES Fullerton Arboretum, 1900 Associated Road, Fullerton (888) 552-1900**

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### **JUNE 9: FULLERTON HISTORIC THEATRE FOUNDATION 4TH ANNUAL HOLLYWOOD IN FULLERTON GALA Fullerton Museum Plaza, 301 N. Pomona at Wilshire, Fullerton RSVP by May 30 to 870-0069 www.foxfullerton.org**

7pm: Dinner, Dancing, Live & Silent Auction. Dress is vintage (1950s) or cocktail attire. Proceeds assist in the rehabilitation of the Fox Fullerton Theater. Tickets are \$100/per person.

## PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth at Highland. Parking on Amerige.

### **MAY 15 PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 7:30pm at City Hall: **PRESERVATION ZONING FOR W. BROOKDALE PLACE**-request by various property owners to rezone 47 properties in the 300 and 400 blocks from R-1-7.2 to R-1-7.2P. Call 738-6549 to see documents or go to the Development Dept on the 2nd floor of City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth. Call first because the hearing may be postponed by request of parties called out of town.

- 7:30pm: Council will discuss a conceptual study for the Civic Center (City Hall, Library, Senior Center and the Boys and Girls Club.

- Financial Statements
- CIP Report
- Amtrak Lease Agreement
- Federal Lobbying Update
- Eminent Domain: World Citrus to make way for public parking structure. (see page 10 for details)
- MOU with Housing Consortiumon workforce housing (see page 11 for details)
- Downtown Working Group Report on solutions for downtown problems (see page 11 for details)
- Closed Session: Brickhouse Pizza property negotiations

### **THRU- MAY 29 PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD ST JUDE MEDICAL PLAZA:**

- Public Review Period for the 97,895 sq ft medical and 9-level parking structure at 2151 N. Harbor across from the hospital. Copies of the Draft EIR at the Library or online at [www.ci.fullerton.ca.us](http://www.ci.fullerton.ca.us)

### **JUNE 4 PUBLIC HEARING:**

- CITY BUDGET
- INCREASE IN FEES FOR VARIOUS CITY SERVICES.

### **JUNE 5 PUBLIC HEARING:**

- CITY BUDGET
- RICHMAN PARK

**REVIEWED** by Joyce Rosenthal



**“Biloxi Blues” at the Chance Theater**

I believe that all serious theatergoers enjoy or are moved in some way by an excellent performance. I also believe that the enjoyment or any other emotion that they feel increases markedly when they can identify personally with a play's characters and situations.

That was the case when I attended Chance Theater's production of Neil Simon's semi-autobiographical comedy "Biloxi Blues." I felt that the characters in the play, six young World War II Army recruits undergoing basic training could be mirror images of young men that I encountered during my own military service. So the play, aside from being extremely well done, was of special interest and appeal to me.

The storyline is about a Jewish teenager from New York City named Eugene Morris Jerome who is inducted into the U.S. Army during the late stages of World War II. Eugene is sent to an Army camp in Biloxi, Mississippi for basic training. There he must adjust to his new life living, working and training with a diverse group of fellow recruits while enduring the whims, taunts and punishment from a tough, seemingly unstable drill sergeant.

Jerome, away from home for the first time, keeps a journal of the daily events in his life and soon gets an introduction into the world beyond Coney Island. Among other things he experiences hostile prejudice and while on a pass in the city he is introduced to sex for pay. Jerome loses his virginity in a hilarious scene with a patient and understanding prostitute.

The main focus of the play however, is the interaction between the six recruits and the drill sergeant who harasses them. The play is funny, indeed hilarious at times but it is also window into the hearts and minds of the young men. There are serious aspects to be considered.

There are nine cast members and every one of them does a very creditable job. I was especially taken with the performances of David J. Dalton as the demanding drill sergeant, A. J. Gutierrez as Jerome and Michael Irish as Arnold Epstein, a stubborn nonconforming loner.

"Biloxi Blues" is directed by Max Williams whose credits include numerous productions through out the United States.

The play runs until June 17.- Elliot Rosenthal

**• CHANCE THEATER:**  
5552 E. La Palma Ave,  
Anaheim Hills  
TICKETS: (714) 777-3033  
[www.chancetheater.com](http://www.chancetheater.com)

"BILOXI BLUES" Winner of 3 Tony Awards including Best Play. Plays thru June 17

**FROZEN**

"Frozen" by Bryony Lavery, the current production at Hunger Artists Theatre Company, is a dark and haunting play which may not be to everyone's taste.

The story unfolds on a bare stage containing only three chairs, one for each member of the ensemble. Most of the play is told in a series of monologues delivered in turn by a performer who moves a chair into the spotlight and returns it to the shadows when finished. As each speaker takes a turn, the other two remain in the back, heads down, sometimes with eyes closed; only the spotlight brings them to life.

The play weaves an almost hypnotic spell as we wait silently for each one to move their chair forward to tell the story of what happened after the disappearance of 10-year old Rhona over twenty years ago in the Midlands of England.

The story jumps back and forth in time and revolves around Nancy (Jill Cary Martin), Rhona's mother; Ralph (Scott Manuel Johnson), who confesses to not only Rhona's murder but also to seven others and Agnetha (Katie Chidester), an American psychiatrist researching serial killers to determine if their perversions are due to physical causes or upbringing i.e. nature vs. nurture.

Nancy is devastated by her daughter's disappearance but refuses to give up the hope that one day her daughter will return home. Nancy founds an organization dedicated to searching for missing children and triumphs when one is actually found. However, five years after Rhona's disappearance, her body is found in Ralph's shed. Now instead of hope, Nancy is filled with hostility and rage which hasn't abated after twenty years. She tells us her remaining daughter begs her to let go of this rage and forgive Ralph so she can finally get on with her life.

Ralph shows us how he lured Rhona first into his van and then into the shed. Later, in his talks with Agnetha (which take place in the present), he shows no remorse, even asking her "What is remorse"? His only regret is that his large collection of child pornography was destroyed when his house and shed were searched for bodies of his victims.

Agnetha's talks with Ralph convince her that his crimes are crimes of sickness rather than crimes of evil due to a series of physical traumas he suffered in his youth. Talks between Nancy and Agnetha reveal that the psychiatrist too is suffering and grieving over the death of her research partner in a recent traffic accident.

Jeremy Gable is both the Director and Set Designer for "Frozen" and gets high marks for both jobs. Jill Carey Martin and Scott Manuel Johnson handle the Midlands dialect very well and Scott is especially chilling in his portrayal of an amoral serial killer.

"Frozen" plays at Hunger Artists through May 27, 2007.- Joyce Rosenthal

**• HUNGER ARTISTS THEATRE,**  
699-A South State College, Fullerton  
TICKETS: 680-6803  
[www.hungerartists.com](http://www.hungerartists.com)

"FROZEN" by Bryony Lavery, directed by Jeremy Gable plays thru May 27. \$18/general; \$15/seniors & students and \$5 on Thursday, May 24th only.

**• SOPHIA CLARKE THEATRE,**  
Performing Arts Center, Mt. San Antonio College, 1100 N. Grand Ave, Walnut  
TICKETS: (909) 468-4050

<http://performingarts.mtsac.edu>

**• "TRIAL OF THE CATONSVILLE NINE"** written by Father Daniel Berrigan. To protest the Vietnam War in 1968, the Catonsville Nine, which included several Catholic priests, took 378 draft files from the draft board in Catonsville, Md., and burned them with homemade napalm in the parking lot outside. Father Berrigan's play recounts his and the other eight protesters' trial for their act of civil disobedience. June 7 thru 9 with a Sunday matinee at 2pm on Sunday June 10 in the Studio Theater.



**• FULLERTON HIGH SCHOOL LITTLE THEATER:**  
Chapman (at Lemon) behind the Plummer Auditorium, Fullerton TICKETS: 225-9225  
[www.fullertonarts.com](http://www.fullertonarts.com)

**"THEATER SHOWCASE ALUMNI PROJECT"** Fullerton Academy of the Arts students perform with alumni in productions of three musicals; **JEKYLL AND HYDE**; **THE LAST FIVE YEARS**; and **WICKED**. The production plays two dates only at 7:30pm on May 25th & at 1:30pm and 7:30pm on the 26th.

**• GALLERY THEATER**  
3152 E. La Palma, Suite G, at Kraemer & the 91 freeway in Anaheim. Tickets: 714-630-9870  
**• "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"** William Shakespeare's classic presented by the Art for Art's Sake Theater Production Company opens May 18, plays thru June 9.

**• MARK TAPER FORUM**  
135 N. Grand Ave, LA Tickets: 213-628-2772 or [www.CenterTheatreGroup.org](http://www.CenterTheatreGroup.org)

**• "YELLOW FACE"** by playwright David Henry Hwang author of M. Butterfly and the House of Sleeping Beauties. "I only write a play when I feel I have something to say and I don't always have something to say," says Hwang. This world premiere play, directed by Leigh Silverman, explores the father/son relationship, morality and race with acknowledgements that issues of ethnicity may be less significant and more complex. The playwright's wife Kathryn Layng has a role in the play. Opens May 20 thru July 1

**• CIVIC LIGHT OPERA**  
Plummer Auditorium, E. Chapman at Lemon, Fullerton  
Tickets: 879-1732 [www.FCLO.com](http://www.FCLO.com)  
**• "SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS"** A rollicking tale of seven brothers in the 1850's Oregon wilderness searching for brides with some of the best dancing you'll ever see on the stage. -thru May 27

**STAGES THEATER:**  
400 E. Commonwealth, Fullerton  
Tickets: 525-4484  
[www.stagesoc.org](http://www.stagesoc.org)

**• "BAT BOY: THE MUSICAL"** through May 13

**• "LOVE LETTERS"** Romantic Comedy by A.R. Gurney. Performed only on Sundays, Amanda DeMaio directs 12 couples that rotate to perform as the couple Andy and Melissa. - thru May 27 Sundays at 4pm

**• May 25 - June 23, SPEED THE PLOW,** Written by David Mamet, Directed by Patrick Gwaltney & Brian Kojac

**• May 26-June 17: IMPOSSIBLE MARRIAGE,** Written by Beth Henley, Directed by Rayanne Trumbo and Halfcourt, Written and Directed by Terry McNicol

**• MAVERICK THEATER:**  
110 E. Walnut, Fullerton  
Tickets: 526-7070  
[www.mavericktheater.com](http://www.mavericktheater.com)

**"A FEW GOOD MEN"** playing through May 26th. 8pm Fri & Sat; 3pm Sat. Matinees begin May 5th. Tickets are \$18 for 8pm; \$15 for 3pm; Matinees. \$10 for students with a current ID.

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began a year ago when city council member Sharon Quirk brought several organizations together with the goal of working towards a project to beautify Fullerton.

The mural will be done in a few weeks. See if you can find out where it is. Hint: It is on a main street in a residential area. Look for the answer in the next issue.

*A group of volunteer painters work on details of the mural.*

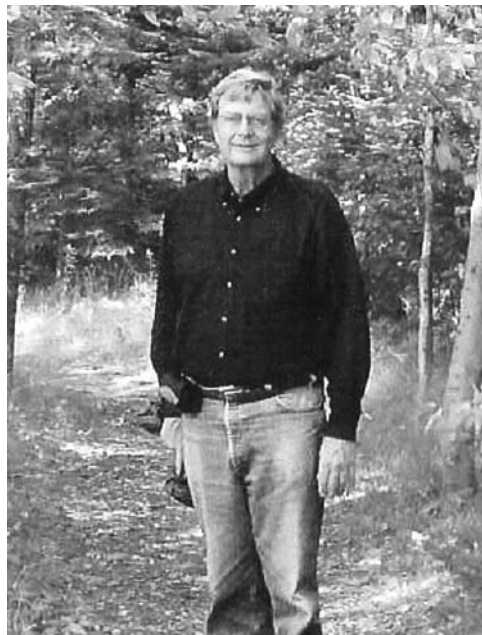
## Mystery Mural

Last month something special began at a park in Fullerton. Early on a Saturday morning people gathered with buckets, rollers and brushes. They spent the day beginning a mural. With funding from Raytheon and support from the All the Arts for All the Kids Foundation, local muralist Katherine England is working with volunteers to create a colorful piece of art at a West Fullerton Park. The project



*A group of volunteers prep the wall and layout the underlying design.*

### REST IN PEACE WE REMEMBER YOU



#### EUGENE FRANCIS HOFFMAN, JR. M.D.

3/13/36 – 4/21/07

A native Californian, he was born in Los Angeles, Ca., on March 13, 1936, the only child of Cecilia and Eugene Hoffman, Sr.

Dr. Hoffman received his undergraduate Bachelor of Arts degree from Stanford University. He obtained his medical degree from University of Southern California and took his residency in Ophthalmology at Jules Stein Eye Institute, UCLA Medical Center. He was a board certified Ophthalmologist, and had a private practice in Ophthalmology in Fullerton, Ca. for 32 years.

He served as an Associate Clinical Professor at Harbor/UCLA Medical Center for 25 years and was a recipient of the UCLA Dept. of Ophthalmology senior honor award presented to senior faculty members who have provided outstanding service to the department for over 25 years. His hobbies included fishing, hunting, skiing and flying. He obtained his private pilot's license with IFR rating and flew his own plane for over 38 years, was a volunteer ski patrol member at Mammoth Lakes, and served as a volunteer to the Orange Co. Sheriff's Dept.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, two sons, Paul and Greg, two daughters, Cynthia Lynch (Rob), Christine Williams (Jim), and five grandchildren.

A memorial mass was held. Donations may be made to Special Olympics Orange County, 2080 N. Tustin Ave., Ste. B, Santa Ana, Ca.92705

**CASSANDRA LYNN MALONE, "CASSIE", 32**, passed away April 29, 2007. Survived by parents Albert and Linda Malone, brother Curtis, aunt Sarah Collins and a host of family and friends in Illinois and the mid-west.

**JOSE R. OROZCO, AKA "SMOKN JO" 48** passed away April 27, 2007. Survived by parents Pedro and Irene Orozco; brothers Peter and Eric; sisters Hortencia Orozco, Angie Gonzalez, Sandra Orozco and Pearl Orozco; and daughter Olivia Rose Orozco.

**GREGORY V. KING, 55**, passed away April 26, 2007. An Army Veteran who served during Vietnam. Survived by mother Lillian Torstad; sister Sheryle Williams; nieces Patrice McAlpine and Amanda Spurgeon; longtime companion Joyce Vigil; and a host of family and friends.

**AUDREY E. STERN, 83** passed away on May 8, 2007. Survived by sons Allan, Greg, and Ron. Graveside service is 1pm Monday May 14 at Loma Vista Memorial Park.

## WELCOME from FULLERTON'S RELIGIOUS CONGREGATIONS

### Unitarian Universalist Church in Fullerton Celebrating 40th Birthday

The Fullerton UUs are having a Ruby Jubilee in celebration of their founding 40 years ago. Kicking off with a 60s themed party on Saturday night June 2 and culminating with a special worship service on Sunday, past members and friends (along with the current gang), are invited. Along with the Observer's own Jonathan Dobrer, past clergy will join in celebrating the past and moving into the future. The Revs. Dori Somers, Derek Kiewatt and Bob MacClaren are expected to attend.

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MAY 20 - SOCIAL ACTION SUNDAY: Social Action Committee

MAY 27 - WHAT ARE FITTING MEMORIALS?: Rev. Jon Dobrer

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Bill Kincaid of the Fullerton Rotary Foundation, presents check to Senior Librarian Tim Mountain and new Fullerton Library Director Maureen Gebelein

### Fullerton Rotary Gift to Public Library

The Fullerton Rotary Foundation has donated \$500 to the Fullerton Public Library toward the purchase of an assistive device for readers with vision impairment. The Rotary donation is the first major contribution to the library's new fund-raising campaign to obtain donations to cover the \$2,000 purchase price of the device.

Joanne Hardy, adult services division manager for the library, explained the adaptive device "can help a sight-impaired individual better use print materials, and thereby increase his or her level of independence and enhance overall quality of life."

The new device will be a Closed Caption Television (CCTV) that enlarges printed text onto a television screen. This allows the reader to magnify pages of books, newspapers, magazines, telephone books, etc., and adjust the size, brightness, and contrast of the words on paper.

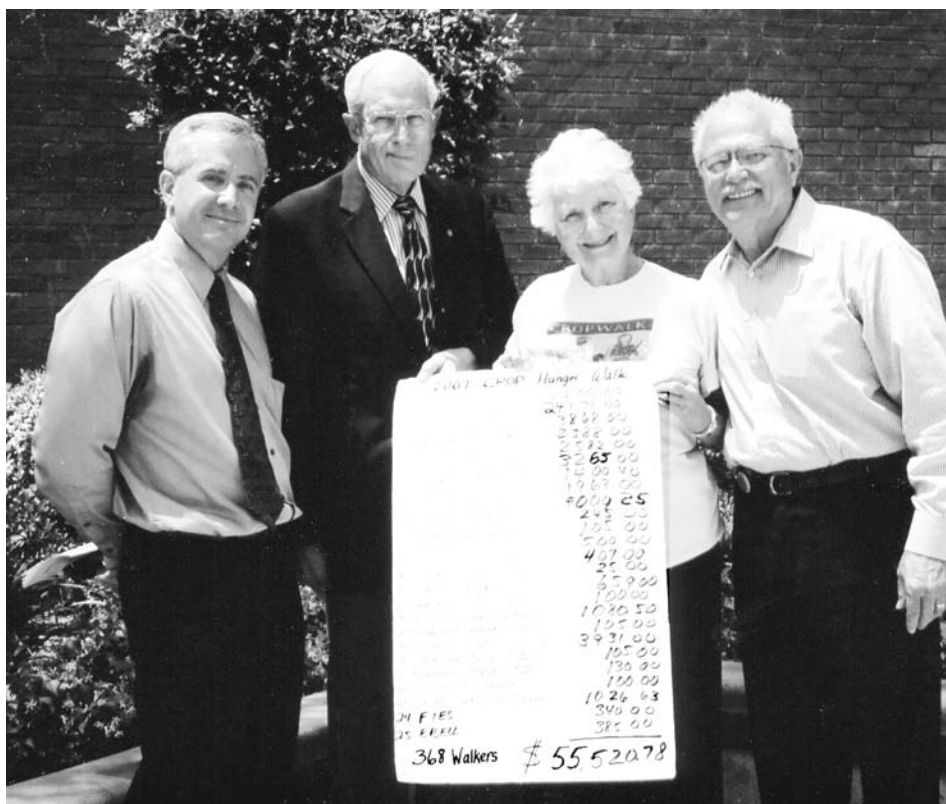
If you would like to help with a donation contact Senior Librarian Tim Mountain at 738-6325.

### More than 35,000 Expected During Two Days of Ceremonies

Cal State Fullerton Celebrates 48th Annual Commencement with more than 9,500 students eligible to participate in ceremonies May 19 and 20. Over 35,000 family members and friends are expected to join in events on campus.

Keynote speakers for the 48th annual universitywide celebrations will be actor Robert David Hall, who plays coroner Albert Robbins on "CSU: Crime Scene Investigation," for the Saturday, May 19 ceremony; and Lucy Jones, scientist-in-charge for the U.S. Geological Survey earthquake activities in Southern California who will address attendees Sunday, May 20.

Both celebrations will begin at 8am on the sports fields north of Titan Gymnasium. College and department exercises will follow at various locations throughout campus. The Honors Convocation to recognize student achievements will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, May 18, in the Meng Concert Hall of the Performing Arts Center. Student achievement also will be recognized during a variety of special recognition celebrations



President of Fullerton Interfaith Ministerial Assoc. Rev. Darrell McGowan; CROP Walk co-chairs Rev. Ed Linberg and Barbara Johnson, former FIES executive director; and longtime CROP Walk and FIES supporter businessman Henry Jones display the preliminary tally.

### CROP Walk Proceeds Nearly Reach Goal of \$60K

This year's CROP Walk goal of \$60,000 was nearly met by the \$55,620 collected on the day of the event and an additional \$900 that came in later. Proceeds from the annual walk help fight poverty and help hungry and homeless families locally and around the world.

Three hundred and sixty-eight walkers participated as individuals, groups and congregations.

This year individual walkers raised \$1,026. Other non-sectarian groups included the Fullerton School District; Fullerton Community Bank; the Ebell Club; FIES; Raymond Elementary School and the Fullerton Collaborative raised a total of \$5,836.

Seventeen congregations of various reli-

gious institutions ranging in size from very small to very large participated.

The congregation of First United Methodist was the top fundraiser with an incredible \$24,171.

Other congregations listed below raised the remainder of the money plus \$900 more bringing the total raised during the event to \$56,520.

Fullerton Unitarian; First Presbyterian; Fullerton Congregational; First Christian; St. Paul Lutheran; Orangethorpe United Methodist; St. Andrews Episcopal; Buena Park Congregational; St. Mary's Catholic; Christian Science; Wilshire Ave. First Baptist; Morningside Presbyterian; Cornerstone Methodist; Temple Beth Tikvah; Cornerstone Church; Emanuel Episcopal; and Evangelical Free.

### 16th Annual JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION & County Career Fair

The OC Branch of the NAACP will host the 16th Annual Juneteenth Celebration & County Career Fair on June 9th at Thornton Park, 1801 W. Segerstrom Ave, in Santa Ana from 10am to 5pm. Part of the park includes a lake, waterfalls and bird sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy the celebration. The annual outdoor event features 60 food/activity/information booths, local and national entertainment, fun events for the kids and draws people from all over Orange County and surrounding counties. Admission is free.

The history of the Juneteenth celebration is a commemorating of the freedom of over 250,000 slaves at the close of the Civil War. This holiday, though based on events that occurred mainly in Texas, is now celebrated nationwide. Although the Emancipation Proclamation which officially ended slavery in America took effect on January 1, 1863, it was years before it was enforced. The celebration takes its name from June 19, 1865; the day federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to enforce the Proclamation and free the people still held in slavery until that date.

The event is free to visitors but a fee is charged for those wishing to rent booths. Funds raised from the activity and vendor booth rentals go to support youth educational development programs and breast & colon cancer and diabetes research programs.

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League of Conservation Voters 2007 Awardees: John Dorey, Debbie Cook, Sharon Kennedy, Michael Pinto, Dr. Elizabeth Brown, Mary Feagraus, Mark Bixby, Julie Bixby, and Theresa Nguyen with League of Conservation Voters President Steve Ray at the dinner reception held in Irvine.

## League of Conservation Voters 2007 Awardees

The Orange County League of Conservation Voters met in Irvine to present awards to people who have made a difference through their work on environmental issues. Each awardee had an inspiring story to tell of their accomplishments. All emphasized the idea that regular everyday people, such as themselves, can get together and make a real difference in their communities.

**Mark and Julie Bixby** were presented with the Environmental Activist Leaders award by Linda Moon for their role in the fight to save the 50 acre Upper Bolsa Chica Wetlands from a 170-unit residential development. They described their diligent documentation and research which proved the existence of a significant wetlands and environmentally sensitive habitat area which must be protected under California law.

**Laguna Canyon Foundation** was given the Environmental Non-Profit award by Marni Magda. The Foundation has worked since 1991 to protect and enhance existing parkland while preserving additional wilderness within and around Laguna Canyon. Under the leadership of Michael Pinto and

Mary Feagraus, the Foundation created a unique partnership between community and environmental activists, private property owners, developers, and civic and municipal leaders. The group raised over \$11 million from private donors and state grants. Recently, the innovative James & Rosemary Nix Nature Center opened along with three new trails. They said the key to their success was to involve everyone in the process.

**Stephanie Dorey** won Special Recognition for San Clemente Clean Water and Conservation Program. The award was presented by Brittany McKee and Bob Joseph and accepted by her husband John for his late wife. Stephanie began her coastal activism by co-founding the successful grassroots group "DeRail the Trail." In 2000 she was elected to the San Clemente City Council where she served for six years. She is remembered for efforts to protect coastal resources and improvements in water quality. Her foremost concerns were to teach appreciation for healthy beaches and clean ocean waters where she helped elevate those programs to regional and state levels.

**Mayor Protem Debbie Cook** of Huntington Beach was presented the Local Elected Official award by Steve Ray. Cook was elected in 2000 and served as the city's Mayor in 2001-2002. An environmental attorney, Debbie was instrumental in the legal action to preserve the Bolsa Chica Wetlands. She also helped draft and lead the fight to pass an initiative requiring citizens' approval to impact open space, parks and beaches in the City. She has continued that environmental oversight throughout her tenure on the City Council and on the many regional boards and commissions on which she has served. In recent years, Debbie has become widely recognized as an expert on energy challenges facing the state and world. Her advocacy has earned her leadership positions in the Southern California Association of Governments and League of California Cities.

**The Fullerton Observer** won Special Recognition for Responsible Environmental Reporting. The award was presented to editor Sharon Kennedy by Kathleen Shanfield. A group of Observers attended the event. The Observer was founded by Ralph Kennedy and a group of friends in 1978 and is still staffed by volunteers who create, publish and distribute the paper throughout the community. The non-sectarian, non-partisan newspaper offers an independent venue to the people of Fullerton where the concerns, issues and joys of the community can be voiced. Citizens have used the paper to educate fellow residents about issues that need attention including a variety of environmental concerns.



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### Don't Give Up!

Early Sunday morning, I was standing at the starting line of my second sprint triathlon. I was very excited and ready to start the race. We all surged over the line and, literally within two steps, I had a cramp in my side. I tried running for about 5 minutes, but the cramp kept getting worse, so I started to walk. As I did so, everyone ran past me. I would try to run for a couple of minutes, but it would hurt too badly, so I would drop back to a walk again. And so it went. I kept getting more frustrated and depressed. I began to seriously consider dropping out of the race. Finally with only about a mile left, I was able to run. I got to the transition area, grabbed my bike and started to pedal. I felt strong. I was actually passing people! When I got to the swim portion, I was tired but my family and friends were cheering me on with every stroke. I finished the event only 15 minutes behind my training partner who was able to run the entire event.

My lesson from this is do not give up! Not even when frustrated and thinking there is no possible way to succeed. I doubted that I would complete the race. But I just kept putting one foot in front of the other. At the swim portion when I was so tired, I just kept going one stroke at a time. Before I knew it, I only had 2 laps left, then one, and then I was done!

My second lesson was to set goals and not be afraid to change them as the situation warrants. I started out with one goal for the race: to finish. When I was struggling with the cramp, I came up with a second goal: to not come in last. I completed my goals! Both of them! Creating the goal of not coming in last spurred me on to go faster.

My third lesson was awe of human persistence. I was finishing my first bike lap of four when I saw a woman on her bike. She was quite over-weight, riding a bike that was more appropriate for the beach than a race. After I had finished and was talking with my family and friends, in she came, slowly, but she finished a very hard bike ride. I was more impressed with her than the elite racers who finished the entire race in less than an hour. This was harder on her than it was for them. It was more of a challenge. But she did it! And she never gave it up. She is my hero of the race.

I didn't grow up as an athlete, so when I heard that there were many lessons to learn from sports, I never totally understand what was meant. I understand now. (By the way, anyone have any suggestions for side cramps?!)

Join me on  
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**Michelle Gottlieb,**  
**Psy.D., MFT**  
305 N. Harbor Blvd., Ste 202  
Fullerton, CA 92831  
714-879-5868 x5

### New Blog Provides List of Available Documents

Thanks to Fullerton Public librarian Ed Maurer an informative new blog site has been created where documents relating to various environmental and development issues around the city are listed as they arrive and become available at the library. To access the site go to <http://fpletc.typepad.com/mars/>

## The Leon Owens Foundation CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT Monday • May 21

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9am: Registration • 11am: Shotgun Start  
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### HELP WANTED

#### ARBORETUM

• **Permanent part-time gardener** needed. 20 hours/week, some week-ends & evenings. Two years Technical College or Community College education with course work in Horticulture or Landscape Maintenance preferred.

• **Nursery Assistant** needed. 10-12 hours/week. \$7.50 per hour. Must be 18 or over & possess valid CA drivers license and insurance.

Submit resume by email to Chris Barnhill, Curator: [cbarnhill@fullerton.edu](mailto:cbarnhill@fullerton.edu) or by mail to Fullerton Arboretum, c/o Chris Barnhill, Curator, 1900 Associated Road, Fullerton CA 92831

See complete requirements online at [www.arboretum.fullerton.edu](http://www.arboretum.fullerton.edu)

#### WARMHEARTED CAREGIVERS

Warmhearted caregivers needed to provide in-home companion care for seniors in Fullerton and nearby areas. Duties include light housekeeping, cooking, personal assistance, transportation service, errand running, friendship. Must have valid license, reliable, insured transportation, good driving record. Will train, but experienced CNA's/HHA's are welcome! Benefits available. Independent Living Partners. 714-257-1435

#### IN-HOME CAREGIVERS

Comfort Keepers, an independently owned franchise business, is seeking kind, caring, and personable individuals to provide non medical in-home care to the elderly. (Companionship, meal preparation, light housekeeping, provide transportation to appointments, shopping, etc). Flexible schedules - full-time, part-time and weekends. We provide training. Must have valid driving license; car insurance, reliable transportation. We do background checks. Call 851-8895

### ASSISTANCE

#### NEED ASSISTANCE?

Do you need assistance or pet care? Shopping, cooking, driving to appointments, compassionate elder care offered. No heavy lifting. I care for pets in my home on a limited basis. Excellent references and reasonable pricing. Contact Jan at (714) 522-8837

### ENTERTAINMENT

#### BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Would you like to add some fun and affordable entertainment to your kid's next birthday party? Children love the crazy balloon hats, animals, bracelets, and costumes. Please contact Dave at 714-458-3194 for more information, and view the pictures on my website at <http://www.balloonartistry.org>

### JOIN THE NOTE-A-BELLES WOMEN'S CHORUS.

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### LESSONS

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I am a credentialed teacher who will tutor your child during the summer months in any subject pre-K to 8th grade. I can help your child build on his/her strengths and strengthen his/her weaknesses. I can help provide your child with the fundamental skills needed for the school year ahead. Call Wendy Kelly at (714) 296-2926

#### HELP WITH LANGUAGE

Problems solved with anything relating to the English language. Private tutoring in English, grammar, business English, presentation, and speech for adults, teens and children. Also proofreading of reports, manuscripts, theses, ads, letters, emails. Experienced; references. \$25 per hour. Phone (714) 523-8284 or (562) 943-4124

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Call Kevin 870-5718

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Retired American high school Chemistry Teacher. Will tutor individually in Fullerton. Call me at 714-879-9013

### FOR SALE

#### 1-BED MOBILE HOME

1-bed mobile home for sale in Anaheim, walking distance from Knott's Berry Farm. Nice yard and parking. Asking \$33,000. Please call (714) 875-3590

### RENT OR LEASE

#### TOWNHOUSE APARTMENT

Spacious Downtown Townhouse-style apartment for rent. Newly remodeled. Approximately 1,100 square feet with new everything; carpet, cabinets, etc... \$1,375 per month, plus \$700 security deposit. (714) 773-9194

### EXERCISE

#### FOLK DANCING

Weekly international folk dancing provides great exercise and is fun at the same time! Veselo Selo Folkdancers have moved from their Hillcrest Park location to Anaheim Unitarian Church, 511 South Harbor Blvd, Anaheim, 92805. Join us every Saturday in May from 7:30 to 10:30pm; with folk dance instruction from 8:30-9:30pm. \$5 donation. Children under 14 and first timers are free.

### HOUSE CLEANING

#### QUALITY CLEANING

Call Miss Scott for a quality home cleaning service. Former 20 year Fullerton resident with excellent references. Please leave a message at (562) 697-1762. I will return your call as soon as possible.

## ON-GOING SERVICE LISTING

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### PAINT/REPAIRS

#### MOSLEY'S PAINTING

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Do you have ugly cracked concrete? We can make your concrete beautiful. We use our expertise in concrete restoration to make your concrete better than new. Call me for your free estimate and I will show you samples of what we can do for your concrete. Lic.#368289. Call David 714-493-3664

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No job too small. 30 years experience. Complete kitchen and bath remodel, ceramic tile, floors, counters, drywall, brick work, patio, windows, appliances, cabinets, carpet, fences, plumbing, painting and more! We have a brochure of all work provided and we do free estimates. Call Leo 738-6924. City Lic.#131371

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We do it all - Handyman services, kitchen/bath remodel, carpentry, interior & exterior jobs, drywall, painting, plumbing, vinyl, ceramic & wood laminate flooring, formica installation, wallpaper removal, windows, fencing and more. Very dependable! 20 years experience! "Werner General Repairs & Remodeling" Thomas Werner 812-6603. 1519 E. Chapman Ave #175, Fullerton 92831. City License #127977 Now Accepting All Major Credit Cards.

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Carpet Problems? Industrial Strength Carpet Cleaning offers free estimates on: upholstery cleaning, vehicle interior cleaning, carpet re-stretch and repairs, odor control, Scotch Guard and Teflon protection. Steam clean as low as \$15 per room (2-room min). We specialize in correcting severely damaged carpets. Call us at (714) 501-4060 today for an appointment.

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All windows in your residence washed without streaks inside and out. All sills and tracks vacuumed and cleaned. Screens hand-washed. I use drop cloths and shoe covers to keep your house clean. References available upon request. Fullerton City License #554171. Call Patrick (714) 398-2692 for a Free Estimate.

### LEGAL

#### IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS?

Stop deportation. Take preventive measures. Human rights, family & employment petitions, visa extensions, student visas, and nursing applications are some ways to attain status. Judith Marty, attorney formerly with INS and United Nations will file petition or represent you in court. 714-488-4580 or [www.judithmarty.com](http://www.judithmarty.com)

### LOST

#### RING LOST

Lost ring on May 1, 2007 around the Chapman at Harbor area (Angelo's & Vinci's and the Chamber of Commerce). Gold nugget with diamond. Reward \$100. Call Cathie Meyers at (714) 356-1927

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#### TOO TIRED TO COOK?

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### CAREER HELP

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Let's Talk! Certified Career Coach will assist you in refocusing your employment and career goals with a full spectrum of services, including career values and occupational interest assessment tools, resume preparation, interviewing techniques, Internet job search and more. Career Possibilities by email: [keytosuccess1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:keytosuccess1@sbcglobal.net) or Call 990-6014

### MENTAL HEALTH

#### SELF-HELP GROUP

Recovery Inc. self-help mental health meetings are held every Thursday at noon. Conquer your nervousness, anxiety, depression, panic and sleeplessness. Sponsored by Chicago-based nonprofit organization. Fullerton location. All are welcome. E-mail: [linda.s@adelphia.net](mailto:linda.s@adelphia.net) for details.

### COMPUTER

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Need help setting up that wireless home network? Viruses and spyware slowing your business down? If you need assistance with this or any other computing needs call Downtown Computer Solutions today for onsite services. Specializing in Home and Small Business computing services. Call (714) 524-6120 or email me at [scottj@downtown-computers.net](mailto:scottj@downtown-computers.net)

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### COLLECTION FOR SALE

#### DOLL COLLECTION

Selling private older doll collection. All types; all in excellent condition and priced to sell. E-Bay buyers welcome. Call 714-447-0146

# Californians Killed in This War

348 DEAD SO FAR (FROM THE RECORDS OF MILITARY FAMILIES SPEAK OUT MARCH 2007)

- AGUANGA
  - West, Jeremy D.
- ALAMEDA
  - Boyles, Aaron
- ALHAMBRA
  - Griffin Jr., Darrell
- ALPINE
  - Perry, Joseph W.
- ALTA LOMA
  - Isshak, Daniel
- AMERICAN CANYON
  - West, Phillip G.
- ANAHEIM
  - Briones Jr., Pablito Pena
  - Henry, Raymond
  - Lee, Samuel S.
- ANTIOCH
  - Schelle, Daniel R.
- APPLE VALLEY
  - Sickels, Kenneth L.
- APTOS
  - Jones-Huffman, Kylan A.
- ARCADIA
  - Colnot, Kyle A.
- ARLETA
  - Ayon, Eric A.
- ARROYO GRANDE
  - Mora, Michael A.
- AUBURN
  - Mizener, Jesse D.
  - Waters, David L.
- AZUSA
  - Harris-Kelly, Leroy
- BAKERSFIELD
  - Perry, David S.
- BALDWIN PARK
  - Villatoro, Ramon
  - Farr, Clay P.
  - Baroncini, Jr., Lester Domenico
  - Garcia Jr., Alberto
- BANNING
  - Haro Marin Jr., Atanasio
  - Salas, Rudy
- BARSTOW
  - Figueroa, Gabriel J.
- BAY POINT
  - Palmer, Joshua M.
  - Hayes, James F.
- BELL GARDENS
  - Hodges, Erick J.
  - Mora, Jose L.
- BENICIA/VALLEJO
  - Shumney, Dustin
- BIG BEAR CITY
  - Landaker, Jared M.
- BLOOMINGTON
  - Blanco, Joseph A.
- BLYTHE
  - Taylor III, Norman
- CALEXICO
  - Silva, Alfredo B.
  - Acosta, Steven
- CAMPBELL
  - Zanutto, Adam O.
- CANYON COUNTRY
  - Estep, Adam W.
  - Larsen, Cole W.
- CARLSBAD
  - Watkins, Glenn J.
- CASTRO VALLEY
  - Johnson, Robert S.
- CATHEDRAL CITY
  - Sun, Ming
- CERES
  - Navarro Arellano, Juana
- CHICO
  - Clark, Arron R.
- CHINO
  - Marecoreyes, Douglas Jose
  - Simpson, Abraham
  - Nolasco, Marcos O.
- CHULA VISTA
  - Idanan, Michael J.
  - Bachar, Salem
  - Spivey, Curtis R.
- CITRUS HEIGHTS
  - Hines, Keicia M.
- CLOVIS
  - Hubbard, Jared P.
  - Butterfield, Anthony
- CONCORD
  - Zieske, Benjamin T.
  - Nygardbekowsky, Mick R.
- CORCORAN
  - Orosco, Adrian N.
- CORONA
  - Young, Ryan C.
  - Castro, Jonathan
  - Franco, Jason
- COTTONWOOD
  - Turner Jr., Thomas
- COVINA
  - Johnson, Stephen P.
  - Creed, Matthew W.
- CULVER CITY
  - Payton, George J.
- CUTLER
  - Chavez Jr., Javier
- CYPRESS
  - Daclan Jr., Edgar P.
- DELANO
  - Orozco, Osbaldo
- DISCOVERY BAY
  - Graves, Joseph A.
- EL CENTRO
  - Montes, Luis A.
- EL DORADO
  - Shuder, Brad S.
- EL MONTE
  - Casanova, Jose
- EL SEGUNDO
  - Kenyon, Rex C.
- ELK GROVE
  - Johnson, Ty J.
- ESCONDIDO
  - Gannon II, Richard
  - Beckstrand, James L.
- EUREKA
  - Suarez del Solar, Jesus Alberto
- FALLBROOK
  - LaMont, Andrew
- FALLS CHURCH
  - David
- FARMERSVILLE
  - Unger, Daniel Paul
- FAYETTEVILLE
  - Acosta, Genaro
- FERRIS
  - Pena-Romero, Jorge Luis
- FISHERS
  - Sonoda Jr., Mike T.
- FOLSOM
  - Barnhill, Michael S.
  - Thrasher, Robert B.
- FONTEFRETTE
  - Tamayo, Fernando S.
- FOOTHILL RANCH
  - Pollard, Justin W.
- FOSTER CITY
  - Dang, Andrew S.
- FREEDOM
  - Hendrix, Jason R.
- FREMONT
  - Layfield, Travis J.
- FRESNO
  - Willley, Cheyenne C.
  - Rangel, Jose C.
  - Baro, Jeremiah A.
  - Reali, Regina C.
  - Rojas, Michael M.
- FULLERTON
  - Chao, Cornell C.
  - Monsoor, Michael
- GILROY
  - Ailes, Jeremy A.
- GLENDALE
  - Ravago IV, Rel A.
- GLENDORA
  - Elias, Elias
- GRASS VALLEY
  - Howey, Blake H.
- HACIENDA HEIGHTS
  - Lucente, John A.
  - Kim, Louis G.
- HAWTHORNE
  - Mayhan, Ryan L.
- HAYWARD
  - Balsley, Michael
- HEBER
  - Sun, Ming
- HEMET
  - Manzano, Pablo
- HUNTINGTON BEACH
  - Chappell, Jason K.
  - Estrella, Michael A.
  - Stanton Jr., Kenny
  - Sare, Charles O.
  - Yoakum, Keith
  - Hernandez, Armando
- HUNTINGTON PARK
  - Glimpse, Marcus S.
  - James, William C.
- HUNTINGTON VALLEY
  - Romero, Ramon
- IMPERIAL
  - Contreras, Andres J.
  - Tejada, Luis E.
- INDIO
  - Cherry, Marcus M.
  - Gonzalez, Jesus
- IONE
  - Angel
- IRVINE
  - Ornsby-Adkins, Jay
  - Horn, Sean
- JANUARY 7
  - Soltis Jr., Charles
  - Taylor, Keith
- JANUARY 8
  - Edward
- JANUARY 9
  - Probst, Michael S.
  - Daily, Mark J.
- JANUARY 10
  - La Crescenta
- JANUARY 11
  - Steinbacher, Nicholas
- JANUARY 12
  - La Habra
- JANUARY 13
  - Lopez Lopez, Hugo
- LA MESA
  - Adams, Thomas
  - Mullen
- LA PUENTE
  - Corniel, Marcelino
  - Ronald
- LA BOUNTY
  - LaBouff, Douglas A.
- LA BREA
  - Gonzalez, Mario D.
- LAKE ELSINORE
  - Morales, Jason M.
- LAKE HUGHES
  - Parker, Daniel R.
- LAKEVIEW
  - Stewart, Ian W.
- LANCASTER
  - Walker, Allan K.
  - Clark, Ryan J.
- LAUREL
  - Leon, Christopher
- LATHROP
  - Freeman Jr., Walter
- LE GRAND
  - Vega, Michael W.
- LEMOORE
  - Granados, Cesar A.
- LIVINGSTON
  - Bow, Jeremy D.
- LODI
  - Lau, Karina S.
- LOMITA
  - Hagy Jr., Guy Stanley
- LOMPOC
  - Diaz Varela, Sergio
  - Argel, Derek
- LONG BEACH
  - Torres, George D.
  - Marcus Jr., Lyndon
  - Davis Jr., Anthony
  - Collins, Randy D.
  - Castellano, Stephen
  - Guerra, Ernesto R.
  - Martinez Salazar, Roberto L.
  - Toomalatai, David
  - Sigua, William M.
  - Pineda, Carlos
  - Whitley, Dion M.
  - Monzon Jr., Milton
  - Garcia-Arana, Juan de Dios
  - Menyweather, Eddie
  - Gonzalez, Benjamin
  - Penamedina, Abraham D.
  - Marshall, John
  - Winston
  - Martinez-Flores, Francisco
  - Gonzalez, Jorge Alonso
  - Lu, Victor R.
  - Martinezluis, Trinidad R.
- LONGVIEW
  - Figueroa, Luis A.
  - Razani, Omead H.
  - Lopez, Edgar E.
  - Villanueva, Joselito
  - Sandoval-Flores, Felipe D.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Guerrero, Salvador
  - Abad, Roberto
  - Perez, Geoffrey
  - Muy, Veashna
  - Carrillo, Alejandro
  - Young, Christopher
  - Nason, Christopher
  - Arrelano Pandura, Carlos
- LOS ALTOS
  - Pickard, Joshua D.
- LOS ALAMOS
  - Mission Viejo
- LOS ANGELES
  - Tran, Quoc Binh
  - Crocker, Ricardo
  - Santee, Daniel J.
  - Sanchez, Oscar
  - Anderson, Michael
  - Long, Bunny
  - Simons, Aaron
  - William
  - Gage, Joseph A.
  - Monrovia
  - Mercado, Raul
  - Moreno Valley
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  - Ballard, Kenneth
  - Michael
  - Bosselmann, Kirk J.
  - Burdick, Richard A.
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  - Sellen Jr., Dennis L.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Rodriguez, Jose F.
  - Gonzalez
  - Novato
  - Fuhrmann II, Ray
  - Tainsh, Patrick S.
  - Neubauer, Paul C.
  - Herrera, David L.
  - Soukenka, Richard
- LOS ANGELES
  - Peralta, Rafael
  - Ragimov, Mourad
  - Ramirez, Eric U.
  - Velasquez, Paul A.
  - Jimenez, Oscar
  - Jones, Devon Demilo
  - Rosacker, Randal
  - Kent
  - Holley, Matthew J.
  - Doria, Richard A.
  - Wilson, Jamie D.
  - Madore Jr., Ronnie
  - Kowalczyk, Stephen
  - Rose, Christopher D.
  - Moore, Keith J.
  - De Leon, Mario K.
  - Mihalakis, Michael
  - Roodhouse, Edwin
  - William
  - Menuza, Joseph
  - San Juan
  - Capistrano
  - Gardner, Derek L.
  - San Luis Obispo
  - Seigart, Carl Leonard
  - San Marcos
  - Moore, Jason
  - William
  - San Marino
  - Bleeksmith, James P.
  - San Ramon
  - Crowley, Kyle D.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Perez, Jose R.
  - Salcido, Rudy A.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Bertolino, Stephen
  - Wine, Trevor A.
  - Garibay, Jose Angel
  - Chao, Cornell C.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Luna, Kevin M.
  - Ortega, Elijah M.
  - Espiritu, Allan M.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Ramirez, Angel De
  - Jesus Lucio
  - Allen, John E.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Walberg, Steven J.
- LOS ANGELES
  - Escobar, Sergio H.
  - Rosema, Adam J.
  - Mora Jr., Arthur A.
  - Harrell, William M.
  - Bridges, Michael P.
  - Kim, Jang H.
  - Baez, Cesar O.
  - Guy, Shaker T.
  - Gudino, Sergio
  - Mitchell, Michael W.
  - Ojeda, Ramon C.
  - Paine, Mark C.
  - Carter, Lawrence J.
  - LaWare, Casey M.
  - Gifford, Micah S.
  - Widner, Vernon R.
  - Gunterman, Hannah
  - Brock, Sean Lee
  - Lusk II, Joe Fenton
  - Molina Bautista, Jorge A.
  - Santos, Luis D.
  - Jenkins, Troy David
  - Bryant, Todd J.
  - Tyson, Andre D.
  - Hunt, Justin T.
  - Cutter, Brian K.
  - Morrow, Jason W.
  - Silva, Sean A.
  - Stevens, Joseph W.
  - Duplantier II, Arnold
  - Lawson, Issac S.
  - Brown, Timothy W.
  - Grilley, Sean R.
  - Alvarez, Nicanor
  - Watkins, Timothy D.
  - Zawaydeh, Angelo A.
  - Peralta, Rafael
  - Ragimov, Mourad
  - Ramirez, Eric U.
  - Velasquez, Paul A.
  - Jimenez, Oscar
  - Jones, Devon Demilo
  - Rosacker, Randal
  - Kent
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  - Taylor, Mark D.
  - Emanuel IV, William
  - Mariano, Robbie M.
  - Evey, Jason M.
  - Crutchfield, Michael
  - Stewart, Carla Jane
  - Perez, Andres H.
  - Lee, Bumrok
  - Jacobs, Morgen N.
  - Nakamura, Paul T.
  - Sprayberry III, Marvin
  - Kiser, Timothy Craig
  - Saxton, Stephen P.
  - Freeman, Brian Scott
  - Melia, Anthony C.
  - Wood, Brian M.
  - Bridges, Steven H.
  - Martinez, Jesse J.
  - McCaffrey Sr., Patrick
  - Ngyuen, Tung M.
  - Dewey, Brandon
  - Brown, Jeffery S.
  - Turlock
  - Brehm, Dale G.
  - Buzard, Jason J.
  - Sheehan, Casey
  - Bonifacio Jr., Jerry L.
  - Mariano, Jude C.
  - Almazan, David J.
  - Hill, Christopher K.
  - Bitz, Michael Edward
  - House, John Daniel
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  - Nurre, Joseph C.
  - Webb, Christopher R.
  - Walter, Rowan D.
  - Holguin, Manuel J.
  - Arroyave, Jimmy J.
  - Brattain, Joel K.
  - Hancock, Michael S.



A few members of local Military Families Speak Out wait patiently in Rep. Ed Royce's office in Fullerton. Royce has finally agreed to meet with them.

## Representative Ed Royce Slow to Respond to Local Military Families

Local members of Military Families Speak Out have spent 22 hours (over several months) in Representative Ed Royce's Fullerton office in the attempt to schedule a meeting with the congressman about their concerns for family members deployed overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The group, including family members of soldiers and Iraqi veterans, say that they know Mr. Royce is very busy but do not understand why he can not schedule a meeting with military families from his own district. The group had offered a list of dates that would work for them but received no response until recently when they informed the office that they would be contacting local newspapers about the problem. The day after the group sent information to the *Fullerton Observer*, the group was notified that Representative Royce would meet with the president of the group.

"Considering the sacrifice my family is making for our country, the least Mr. Royce could do is send us a form letter explaining why he finds our questions not worth answering," says Michelle Kearney who has family members overseas and is a member of Military Families Speak Out.

"This shows Mr. Royce's attitude toward military families," says Kearney. Representative Ed Royce serves District 40 which includes the cities of Fullerton,

Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Orange, Placentia, Stanton, Westminster, and Villa Park. Royce, a Republican was first elected in 1992.

Military Families Speak Out is an organization of over 3,400 military families working to support the troops by: achieving full healthcare and benefits for the troops as they return from war; funding a safe and orderly withdrawal from Iraq; and stopping the back-door draft of extended duty. Under the resources section of its website at [www.mfsooc.org](http://www.mfsooc.org), numerous groups are listed to help veterans and their families cope with problems.

According to the year 2000 US Census there are approximately 26 million veterans in the US but the National Veterans Foundation says that in 2005-06 congress uncovered a \$2.6 billion shortfall for meeting the growing healthcare needs of US Veterans. The backlog of claims at the US Court of Appeals for Veterans fighting for their rightful benefits has doubled to 5,800 from two years ago.

On his voting record, Iraq & Afghanistan Veterans of America gave Royce a grade of C and Disabled American Veterans gave Royce a 66% the norm for Republicans (Democrats norm was 100%). [www.vote-smart.org](http://www.vote-smart.org)

To hear the words of soldiers who have been to Iraq and/or Afghanistan go to [www.iava.org](http://www.iava.org). Hit LEARN MORE. Then hit on Featured Vets.

WAR COSTS		
(May 6, 2007)		
\$423,563,932,712		
Cost of The War in Iraq		
<a href="http://www.costofwar.com">www.costofwar.com</a>		
•62,842 Civilians killed by military in Iraq		
<a href="http://www.iraqbodycount.net">www.iraqbodycount.net</a>		
• US Soldiers in Iraq: 3,358 Deaths (As of May 4, 2007) confirmed by DIOR		
US Soldiers: 24,974 Wounded (As of May 4, 2007) confirmed by DOD		
<a href="http://www.icasualties.org/oif">www.icasualties.org/oif</a>		
• US Soldiers in Afghanistan & other overseas locations: 381 killed; 1203 wounded		
<a href="http://www.defenselink.mil/news/casualty">www.defenselink.mil/news/casualty</a> (As of April 28, 2007)		
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•Ceniceros, Manuel A.	•Emanuel IV, William	•Dunlap, Brian E.
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•Perez, Andres H.	•Sunnyvale	•Gonzalez, Victor A.
•Jacobs, Morgen N.	•Lee, Bumrok	•Weimar
•Santa Fe Springs	•Teachachapi	•Andrews, Harley D.
•Nakamura, Paul T.	•Sprayberry III, Marvin	•West Covina
•Santa Maria	•Tehama	•Kim, Louis G.
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•Tan	•Temecula	•Ashcraft, Evan Asa
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•Santa Rosa	•Freeman, Brian Scott	•Rosaleslomeli, Victor
•Kynoch, Joshua J.	•Thousand Oaks	•Whittier
•Viglienzone, Caesar S.	•Melia, Anthony C.	•Bolor, Kelly
•Williams, Jesse L.	•Torrance	
•Santee	•Wood, Brian M.	
•Geurin, Cory Ryan	•Tracy	
•Saucus	•Bridges, Steven H.	
•Slocum, Richard Patrick	•Martinez, Jesse J.	
•Scotts Valley	•McCaffrey Sr., Patrick	
•Spence, Joseph B.	•Ngyuen, Tung M.	
•Sebastopol	•Dewey, Brandon	
•Otolini, Michael C.	•Christopher	
•Shafter	•Trinity Center	
•Barraza, Ricardo	•Brown, Jeffery S.	
•Simi Valley	•Turlock	
•Gibson, Christopher A.	•Brehm, Dale G.	
•Venegas, Juan C.	•Ukiah	
•Diraimondo, Michael	•Buzard, Jason J.	
•Tessar, Jonathan	•Vacaville	
•Smartville	•Sheehan, Casey	
•Strain, Adam J.	•Bonifacio Jr., Jerry L.	
•Sonoma	•Vallejo	
•O'Day, Patrick Terence	•Mariano, Jude C.	
•Shea, Timothy M.	•Van Nuys	
•South Gate	•Almazan, David J.	
•Padilla Aleman,	•Ventura	
•Ayala, Luis G.	•Hill, Christopher K.	
•Spring Valley	•Bitz, Michael Edward	
•Cronkrite, Brud J.	•House, John Daniel	
	•Victorville	
	•Wisowiche, William	