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SUPPORT FOR VETERANS

The Veterans Services Office in Sacramento County's Department of Human Assistance is responsible for providing benefit entitlement determinations, claim development, claim filing, advocacy, and case management services to the veterans living in our area.

Assistance from the DHA Veterans Services Office can include:

- Service-Connected Disability Compensation Benefits
- Non-Service-Connected Disability Pension Benefits
- Dependency Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Benefits
- Death Pension Benefits
- Aid & Attendance Entitlement
- VA Medical Care Eligibility & Access
- Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits
- California College Fee Waiver Program
- VA Life Insurance
- State Veterans Homes
- Reguests for Military Records
- Discharge Upgrade Information
- Burial Benefits

Veterans can seek assistance via telephone (916-874-6811) or email to DHA-VET@saccounty.gov. For more information, please go online to the Veteran Services website.

For those who served our nation, thank you, and please remember Sacramento County's Veterans Services Office is ready to assist you with respect to obtaining the benefits you are entitled to receive.

TWO LOCAL PILOTS HONORED

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will honor two local pilots with the **Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award** this

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month. The **Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award** is the most prestigious award the FAA issues to pilots certified under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 61. This award is named in honor of Orville and Wilbur Wright, who were two American aviation pioneers credited with inventing, building, and flying the world's first successful motor-operated airplane.

This year two local individuals will be honored, and they are **Larry Miles** and **Rick Launey** who both have or are currently serving on the **Aerospace Museum of California** Board of Directors. These two individuals are well deserving of this prestigious honor. You can check out the past honorees on the FAA website at this link.

The award recognizes individuals who have exhibited exemplary aviation expertise, distinguished professionalism, and steadfast commitment for at least 50 years of piloting experience or 50 or more years combined experience in both piloting and aircraft operations. A distinctive certificate and the airman's Blue-Ribbon package are issued after application review and eligibility requirements have been met. Once the award has been issued, the recipient's name, city and state will be added to a published "Roll of Honor."

PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEE SCHEDULE WORKSHOPS

Sacramento County Environmental Health (EH) will be holding public workshops to provide information about the proposed fee schedule for EH permitting and services. It is anticipated that EH will introduce the proposed Fee Schedule for Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approval on January 9, 2024.

If approved, the Fee Schedule will be effective on July 1, 2024. EH continues to provide education, permitting, and inspection services to Sacramento County residents and businesses by fulfilling the department's mission to protect public health and the environment. To achieve and maintain an appropriate level of protection, EH recognizes the benefit of collaborating with the business community. The County understands that many residents and businesses are facing difficult times, and your input is valuable.

There are two Environmental Health Fee Schedule Public Workshops for Retail Food Establishment, and they will be held Thursday, November 2, 2023, 2 p.m. virtually on a Webinar and Thursday, November 9, 2023, 10 a.m. in person

at EMD located at 11080 White Rock Road, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670.

You must register in advance for this webinar. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. The session is limited to 500 participants.

Please RSVP for the November 2, 2023, Webinar at 2 p.m. on the Workshop Registration link here.

For a full list of fees and services, download the <u>Proposed Fee</u> Schedule.

For questions, contact EMD at <u>EMD-</u> EHFeeOutreach@saccounty.gov or (916) 875-8440.



SAN JUAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Recently, I met with the Executive Director and Board Members of the San Juan Education Foundation. The Foundation was started in 1991 with a focus on raising money to support San Juan Unified students and teachers. The volunteer led <u>Board of Directors</u>, provides <u>Direct-to-Teacher Grants</u> to schools across the school district, investing \$800,000+ since 2006, and manages a <u>Scholarship portfolio</u> benefiting graduating seniors looking to continue their education.

For fifteen years, the San Juan Education Foundation has been honoring exceptional San Juan Unified alumni at their annual An Evening with the Stars Gala. Last month they Installed Tina Macuha (Mira Loma '78), Danielle Vigilone (Del Campo, '93), and Shawna Yang Ryan (Mira Loma '94) into the STARS Hall of Fame the Foundation is always seeking more support from the community, and you can make a donation, start a scholarship, nominate an exceptional alum, and join the Board of Directors.



WALL OF HONOR CEREMONY

On **Saturday, November 4, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**, the Carmichael Recreation and Park District will sponsor a special ceremony recognizing local heroes currently listed on the Wall of Honor at Patriots Parks.

Located at 6827 Palm Avenue, the park and its Wall of Honor, is a special place to reflect upon and never forget the special meaning of sacrifice made by those who served in our military and emergency services. The Wall of Honor currently has fourteen inductees who represent all areas of service, including the California Highway Patrol, Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Sacramento Metro Fire District and the U.S. Armed Forces. Each honoree has a connection to the area, and the memorial provides a source of pride and remembrance for their families, loved ones and friends.

I hope you will be able to join us for this solemn occasion.

Photo courtesy of Susan Maxwell Skinner



2ND ANNUAL ROY C. MARCUM ANIMAL CARE FAIRE

On **Saturday, November 4th**, Sacramento County Animal Care and Regulation will be holding their 2nd Annual Roy C. Marcum Animal Care Faire from 11am-3pm at Bradshaw Animal Shelter, located at 3839 Bradshaw Rd in Sacramento. Admission to this family-friendly event is free and dogs on leash are welcome.

At the Animal Care Faire, you'll find more than 60 exciting booths to explore. The booths will feature a wide array of petrelated goodies and supplies, neighboring animal shelters and animal rescue organizations, local artisan makers and small businesses, face painting, and delicious food trucks, including vegan options. We also welcome you to participate in our exciting raffle with great prizes! Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the animal shelter's 501c3 nonprofit, TEAM Bradshaw, which fundraises for shelter pets with special medical needs.

It will also be a great opportunity to meet your new best friend: adoption fees for dogs and cats will be waived at Bradshaw Animal Shelter from 12-5pm.

This event is held in memory of fallen Sacramento County animal control officer Roy C. Marcum, who was tragically killed in the line of duty in November 2012. We honor his service and dedication to the animals of Sacramento County with this annual celebration of pets in our community.



COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER LOCATION CLOSING NOV. 9

The County Clerk/Recorder (CCR) Department will be closing its East Area Service Center location, 5229 Hazel Avenue, Fair Oaks, on Thursday, November 9, 2023. The move comes as part of CCR's consolidation and relocation efforts aimed to be completed by December 2023. Over the next few months,

CCR will be consolidating the downtown office (600 8th Street, Sacramento) and the East Area Service Center location (5229 Hazel Avenue, Fair Oaks) at a 26,952 square foot central office located at 3636 American River Drive in District 3 right off of Watt Avenue.

Due to deliveries and installations needed at the new American River Drive location, a tentative opening date is set for December 2023. In the meantime, services for CCR will be available online and in-person at 600 8th Street in Sacramento and 8239 E. Stockton Boulevard in Sacramento. To learn more about the consolidation and relocation visit the County Clerk/Recorder Department's website.

SACRAMENTO PERENNIAL PLANT CLUB'S (SPPC) 2024 SAUL WISEMAN GRANTS PROGRAM

The Sacramento Perennial Plant Club's (SPPC) purpose is to promote gardening and horticultural activities with an emphasis on education, service, and enhancement to our community.

The SPPC 2024 Saul Wiseman Grants Program, awards money to schools, nonprofits, churches and community-based organizations in Sacramento County. They are working to increase the reach of their program into Sacramento's diverse community. Last year they awarded seven grants of up to \$1,000 per recipient to community gardens, schools and a food literacy program and they are looking to support additional initiatives this year.

For more information about this grant opportunity, please visit the <u>SPPC's website</u> or call 916-715-7294.



FREE FORKLIFT TRAINING

The Sacramento Valley Manufacturing Alliance (SVMA), the Health Education Council (HEC) and the Charles A Jones Career & Education Center will be offering two free forklift training sessions. The first session will be held on November 13-14, 2023, and the second session or November 15-16 at the Charles A Jones Adult Education Center, 5451 Lemon Hill Ave.

The Health Education Council will offer a \$100 stipend upon successful completion.

If you or someone you know is interested in this free opportunity, visit the Health Education Council website.



PUBLIC INPUT NEEDED ON VIRTUAL BUDGET WORKSHOP

Budgets are complicated – especially budgets as large as Sacramento County's. In order to demystify the budget process, the County is offering a virtual budget workshop and wants to hear from you to schedule this workshop at a time

that works best for most of our residents.

You can make your voice heard and let us know what time of day works best for you by <u>completing this simple</u>, <u>one-question survey</u>. The survey is open through Friday, November 3, and the results will inform whether the County holds the workshop before noon or after 5 p.m.

The live workshop will be available via Zoom.

Here's what to expect from the budget workshop:

- Staff from the Sacramento County <u>Budget and Debt</u>
 <u>Management Office</u> will kick off the workshop,
 providing information about the County budget,
 including major program areas, historic funding trends
 and current issues.
- Representatives from the County's Departments of Homeless Services and housing, Probation and Voter Registration and Elections will follow with brief presentations highlighting the different services and funding streams for their specific areas.
- Viewers will have the opportunity to ask questions and/or provide input about the budget via the Q&A feature on Zoom.

This workshop will take place in early to mid-December. A news release will go out before the event letting residents know the time and date. For those who cannot watch the workshop live, the video will be available on the County's YouTube account.