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The River Park sign at Carlson and H Street reminds residents daily of their community.

Do You Know Where You Live?

RPNA launches annual membership drive

A new River Park sign on Carlson Drive, more frequent RT bus service, relative silence from chattering night herons, and a neighborhood web site are just a few of the accomplishments initiated and facilitated by the River Park Neighborhood Association in 2006.

The RPNA publishes the neighborhood River Park Review newsletter every month, hosts treasured annual events like the pancake breakfast and Fourth of July Festival and supports the Neighborhood Watch program. The RPNA board of directors is determined to do even more in 2007.

The RPNA wants to build on its successes with new initiatives that will continue to make living in River Park special. For example, RPNA is working with Paratransit to help promote a shuttle service to light rail, add more shading and other amenities to Glen Hall Park and provide better lighting in the Glen Hall parking area to help reduce crime, vandalism and general disorderly conduct.

River Park is consistently rated as a desirable

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Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

Creative and dazzling holiday decorating and lighting displays graced many River Park homes this past holiday season and the River Park Neighborhood Association was challenged to decide who would be the winners of the annual Holiday Decorating Contest. Contest prizes were \$100, \$50 and \$25.

The five judges visited all the homes that entered the contest and took pictures, copious notes

UPCOMING RIVER PARK EVENTS



Support Neighborhood Watch

Report All Crime Incidents

January 18

RPNA Meetings

Block Captains
6:30 p.m.

RPNA Board
7:30 p.m.

Geneva Room
Fremont Presbyterian Church

January 28

BLOOD DRIVE

Bloodmobile

Carlson Drive
Across From
Caleb Greenwood School
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



1st Prize
5341 Sandburg



2nd Prize
5301 Monalee

Winners

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and engaged in a lot of discussion. Emily Kapic, RPNA contest coordinator, said, "It was very difficult to judge as there were some terrific decorations this year."

The five judges worked hard and finally picked the three winners that are pictured here.

The Holiday Decorating Contest is an annual event of the River Park Neighborhood Association and is open to all River Park residents.



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neighborhood. It has a very good public school, great youth sports teams, bus service directly to downtown, an abundance of beautiful trees, a neighborhood park with access to the American River for fishing, jogging, walking or just being alone with nature and easy access to Sacramento State University.

River Park also has neighborhood groups like the Mothers' Club and Garden Club that provide fellowship and support for families and gardeners.

The River Park shopping center provides good convenient restaurants; a coffee shop where neighbors can gather to say "hi" and chat, a barber

and beauty shop, laundromat, dry-cleaners, nail care, dog grooming, market, and a commercial baker for pies. These businesses are right at your door step and easy neighborhood destinations.

A small professional office building is next to the shopping center and offers a variety of services including a dental office and massage therapists.

The future looks good for River Park. The continued growth in Sacramento County will make neighborhoods like River Park even more desirable because of their close proximity to the Sacramento downtown business core and government offices.

All of this is good reason to support the River Park Neighborhood Association. Support of the RPNA is support for your block, your street and your community. It will help preserve this very special neighborhood by supporting initiatives that make the neighborhood safer and more attractive, as well as promote a sense of community.

RPNA membership dues are the lowest in the city: \$10 for a one-year membership, \$18 for two-years, and \$25 for a three-year membership.

Please take a few moments to fill out the envelope enclosed with this copy of the River Park Review, mail it in, and join the RPNA.

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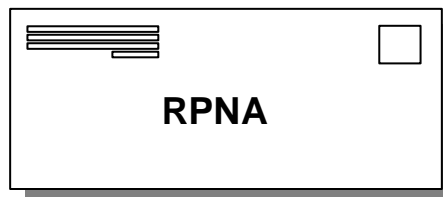
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In Brief:

River Park Soccer Club

River Park Soccer Club (RPSC) will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 17, 2007 at the Fremont Presbyterian Church to elect new board members, select coaches and volunteers, and prepare for a successful 2007 youth soccer season.

The RPSC Board consists of volunteer parents of players in the club. Each parent that has a registered 2006 youth player is a member and entitled to vote at the annual meeting.

Supporting youth sports in our community is greatly appreciated. For additional information, call RPSC Manager Mike Rogers at 736-2008.

Caleb Greenwood Trees

The Caleb Greenwood K-8 School Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) has raised more than \$4,000 from River Park residents, River Park Youth Baseball and Councilman Steve Cohn's office. The donations will enable the PTSO to plant twelve large trees that come in twenty-four inch containers.

Capital Nursery has provided a 30 percent discount for the trees and is developing a plan identifying tree species suitable for the school campus.

The trees will provide shade for Caleb Greenwood children for many future generations.

CSUS January Basketball

(Games scheduled at Hornet Gym)

Men's Basketball:

January 4	7:30 p.m.	vs. Montana
January 13	7 p.m.	vs. Northern Arizona
January 25	7 p.m.	vs. Eastern Washington
January 26	7 p.m.	vs. Portland State
January 31	7 p.m.	vs. Northern Colorado

Women's Basketball:

January 4	5 p.m.	vs. Northern Arizona
January 10	7 p.m.	vs. Weber State

Access CSUS athletic, music and theater calendars at www.calendar.csus.edu/mastercalendar.aspx

Mothers' Club Events

The River Park Mothers' Club announces their 54th leadership team, which includes Amy McGoldrick (President), Angela Felsted (Vice President), Michele Payne (Treasurer), Tamis Reed (Membership Coordinator & Newsletter Editor), Amy Redelsperger (Photographer/Historian), Sarah Clark (Mothers and Family Events Chair), Nan Fitzpatrick (Children's Events Chair), and Ginger Stimac (Fundraising Chair). The officers will be installed at a dinner on January 11, 2007.

The second event for the year will be a "2007 Kick-Off Party" on Thursday, February 8, where members will get to know each other a little better and sign up to assist with fun events for moms, children, and families throughout the year.

The River Park Mothers' Club warmly welcomes mothers or caregivers who live in River Park and are expecting or have children from infancy through elementary school. Annual membership dues are \$30.00.

For additional information about the River Park Mothers' Club or to become a member, individuals may call our information line at 325-8765.

Gala Parkinson's Event

River Park residents Julie Bianucci and Joel Davis recently attended the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research gala in New York City. Bianucci is the new executive director of the Sacramento-based Parkinson Association of Northern California (PANC). Davis, a Parkinson's sufferer, serves on the PANC Board as well as the RPNA Board. The star-studded event included such celebrities as Michael J. Fox and Muhammad Ali and raised more than \$5 million for the Fox Foundation.



Bianucci with Michael J. Fox



Davis with Muhammad Ali

2007 RPNA Contacts/Membership information

RPNA membership is on a calendar year. If you would like to check or renew your membership, call Alanna Butterwork at 457-6445 or e-mail alannab@surewest.net **If you would like to become a member, send \$10 (per household) to RPNA, PO Box 19866, Sacramento, CA 95819. Make check payable to RPNA.**

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