



# Bi-Weekly Tidbits

News from Neighborhood Services / Special Events

January 20, 2012

## Holidays:

**January 23**  
Chinese New Year  
(Dragon)

**February 2**  
Groundhog Day

**February 12**  
Lincoln's Birthday

**February 14**  
Valentines Day

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## Little Saigon Street Festival Parade

The Little Saigon Street Festival Parade has been rescheduled for February 4, 2012 due to weather conditions.

The free lunar cultural experience celebrating the Year of the Dragon, will take place from 9am - 11:30am.

Visit [www.gsvacc.org/events](http://www.gsvacc.org/events) for more information.



## January 2012

### This Weekend

#### January 19 to 22 - International Sportsmen's Expo

The International Sportsmen's Expo returns to Cal Expo with California's largest collection of fishing, hunting and outdoor products. Seminars and competitions will also take place, and active military with military identification receive free admission. Visit [www.sportsexpos.com](http://www.sportsexpos.com) for more information.

#### January 20 to 22 - Bacon Fest Sacramento

The inaugural Bacon Fest Sacramento takes place this weekend in Midtown with activities from a Kevin Bacon-themed musical tribute to a Bacon Chef's Competition, with many bacon-filled activities in between. Visit the [event website](#) for more information about participating restaurants entertainment.

#### January 20 - Sacramento Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce Installation & Awards Dinner

The Sacramento Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce will hold their 19th Annual Installation & Awards Dinner fro 5:30pm - 9:00pm at the [Hyatt Regency Sacramento](#). Visit [www.sacasiancc.org](http://www.sacasiancc.org) for more information.

## Chinese New Year

January 23rd is Chinese New Year and it's the Year of the Dragon!

Celebrate with these activities during the festival's two week period:



**Celebration at North Natomas Library**  
Saturday, January 23 (11:30am - 2pm)  
[4660 Via Ingoglia, Sacramento, CA](#)

**Special Display at Old Sacramento Schoolhouse Museum**  
Monday, January 23  
[1200 Front Street, Sacramento, CA](#)

**CNYCA Celebration at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center**  
Saturday, February 18 (11am - 5pm)  
[6151 H Street., Sacramento, CA](#)

### January 21 - "Changing Attitudes, Changing Lives, Promoting Health and Wellness" Celebration

The Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health Services hosts the "Changing Attitudes, Changing Lives, Promoting Health and Wellness" Celebration from 10am - 2pm at the [Pannell-Meadowview Community Center](#). Attendees can visit dozens of health information booths and receive complimentary health screenings. Call 916-288-2213 for more information.

### January 21 - eReader Class

Come to the [McKinley Library](#) from 1pm to 2pm and learn about the different ereader devices on the market and how to download free library ebooks.

### January 22 - Third Annual MLK Jr. Day of Service

Join the Black United Fund and the Sacramento Area Black Caucus for the 3rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service from 2pm - 5pm. Stop by the [Black United Fund Office](#) with new, unworn caps, scarves, and gloves for infants, children, women and men. Refreshments will be provided as you help prepare clothing for distribution to local area homeless shelters.

### Week of January 23, 2012

#### January 23 - Sacramento Sports Commission Speaker Series ft. Dusty Baker

The inaugural Sports Commissioner Speaker's Series luncheon begins at 12pm at the [Firehouse Restaurant](#). The intimate gathering of friends of the Sports Commission will feature Cincinnati Reds' Manager and Sacramento resident Dusty Baker along with other professional baseball players. Contact the Sacramento Sports Commission for more details and table/ticket purchasing at 916-808-2400.

#### January 24 to 29 - "West Side Story" at the Community Center Theater

West Side Story make a five day stop at the [Community Center Theater](#) evening performances Tuesday through Saturday at 8pm, and matinee performances Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday at 2pm. Visit [www.calmt.com](http://www.calmt.com) for more information.

## Utility Rate Hearing

The Department of Utilities will present a proposed rate increase for water and sewer rates to the Utilities Rate Advisory Commission on January 25, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, New City Hall, [915 I Street](#). The public is encouraged to attend, learn about the proposal and share their comments

The proposed increases will take place over the next three years. The Department plans to use these increases to replace aging water and sewer lines, rehabilitate the Sacramento River Water Treatment Plant (built in 1923 and still in operation today) and comply with regulations, such as installing water meters on more than 50,000 homes in the City of Sacramento and investing in the City's Combined Sewer System.

More information about the proposals can be found at [www.yourutilitiesyourvoice.com](http://www.yourutilitiesyourvoice.com).

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your voice.

### January 25 - Sacramento Business Review Presentation

Sacramento State's [College of Business Administration](#) hosts the Sacramento Business Review Presentation at 3:00pm at the [Sacramento State Alumni Center](#). Click [here](#) to RSVP.

### January 27 - Senior Scam Stopper Seminar

Senator Darrell Steinberg and the Contractors State License Board will facilitate a free Senior Scam Stopper seminar from 1pm - 3pm at the [Pannell Meadowview Community Center](#). Seniors, their families and caregivers are welcome to attend the seminar and learn how to protect themselves from fraud as discussed by experts in the fields of home repair, insurance, finances, identity theft, and more. Contact Senator Steinberg's office at 916-651-1529 for more information and to RSVP.

### January 27 - Fred's Throwing a Party!

To benefit the [Sacramento Gay & Lesbian Center](#), Fred from Outword Magazine will jointly host a fundraising party with Zocalo at 6pm [at the restaurant](#). All that is asked is a \$50 donation (no RSVP necessary). Donors will be able to enjoy great food hosted by Zocalo and get two free drink tickets hosted by Fred and Outword. Call 916-329-9280 for more information.

### January 27 & 28 - Tesla's Twisted Wires Tour

[Tesla](#) celebrates the 20th Anniversary of its five man acoustical jam at the Twisted Wires Tour, with showings at 7pm on January 27th and 28th at [Ace of Spades](#). Built By Stereo will also play. All age groups are welcome. Visit [Ace of Spades' website](#) for more information.

### January 27 to 29 - Northern California Home & Landscape Expo

The Northern California Home & Landscape Expo returns to [Cal Expo](#) with over 1000 exhibits featuring everything imaginable for the home and garden. Free educational and entertaining workshops will also take place. Visit [www.HomeAndLandscapeExpo.com](http://www.HomeAndLandscapeExpo.com) for more information.

### January 27 - Sacramento Metro Chamber's 117th Annual Dinner & Business Awards

The 117th Annual Dinner & Business Awards of the Sacramento Metro Chamber takes place at the [Hyatt Regency Sacramento](#) from 5pm - 9pm. The annual event brings members together annually to

## Sacramento Youth Commission

Come see how the Sacramento Youth Commission works to make the City a better place for the youth of today and tomorrow.

### Upcoming Meetings

**January 24, 2012 (6pm)**

Historic City Hall Chambers, 915 I Street

**February 6, 2012 (6pm)**

Historic City Hall Chambers, 915 I Street

**March 5, 2012 (6pm)**

Historic City Hall Chambers, 915 I Street



commemorate the outgoing chair of the board of directors and welcome their successor. This celebration includes distinguished honors and awards including Sacramentan of the Year, Businessman and Businesswoman of the Year, and the Business Hall of Fame Awards. Visit [www.metrochamber.org](http://www.metrochamber.org) for more information.

### January 28 - The 38th Annual Pig Bowl Presents Guns & Hoses X

The 38th Annual Pig Bowl presents [Guns & Hoses X](#), kicking off at 1pm at [Sacramento State University's Hornet Stadium](#). The game pits Sacramento area law enforcement's "Hogs" against area fire service's "Dogs". Proceeds are shared with many area charitable groups, though attending fans are asked to bring items for packages for military troops and families. The Sacramento Blue Star Moms will be on hand to receive donations. Pregame begins at 12pm, followed by kickoff at 1pm. Tickets are \$10 each (kids ages 5 and under are free) and parking in lots around the stadium is free.

### January 28 - Cine Visionaries Workshop with Kieth Merrill

The Cine Visionaries Training Workshop takes place at [The Artisan](#) from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. The workshop is headed by Academy Award Winning director Kieth Merrill. His credits include The Last Cowboy and the IMAX opus, Amazon. This is an inaugural film program of the California Film Foundation aimed at inspiring audiences to see the world in a positive light. Visit the [workshop's website](#) for more information.

### January 28 - Raising Chickens in Your Own Backyard

Soil Born Farms is hosting a course, "Raising Chickens in Your Own Backyard," from 1pm - 3pm at their [facility in Rancho Cordova](#). Participants will learn the basics of housing, time involvement, feed, predators, and more. Visit [www.soilborn.org](http://www.soilborn.org) for more information.

### January 28 - eReader Workshop

Come to the [South Natomas Library](#) from 3pm to 4pm for help with connecting your eReader to the library's resources.

## Safari Tours Travel Fair 2012

Come to the Safari Tours 2012 Travel Fair taking place from 10am - 12pm at the [Coloma Community Center Auditorium](#).

Safari Tours features one day trips, and Collette Vacations. Enjoy the great activities and destinations featured on our trips.

Safari Tours is a travel program for active adult travelers and is part of the Department of Parks and Recreation. Visit [www.cityofsacramento.org/safari](http://www.cityofsacramento.org/safari) for more information.



### January 29 - From B-17's to Lear Jets: 70 Years of Flying Safely

Mega auto dealer Cal Worthington shares how he has managed 70+ years of safe flight as a pilot at a 1pm seminar at the [Aerospace Museum of California at McClellan Park](#). Worthington will share some of his experiences and how he's managed 70+ years of safe flight; he has an amazing safety record as a pilot from WWII to the present. Visit [www.faaasafety.gov](http://www.faaasafety.gov) for more information.

### Week of January 30, 2012

#### January 30 - Twentieth Annual State of the City Address

The Metro Chamber host the Twentieth Annual State of the City Address from 11:30am - 1:30pm at the [Sacramento Convention Center](#). Mayor Kevin Johnson will review the city's accomplishments, outline future goals and objects, and bring attention to issues that are important to the region and business community. Visit [www.metrochamber.org](http://www.metrochamber.org) for more information.

#### February 3 - Paula Deen Live!

Enjoy a fun-filled performance as Safeway and Smithfield present "Paula Deen Live!" at the [Community Center Theater](#) at 7pm. Her appearance coincides with a donation by Safeway and Smithfield of pork products to the California Emergency Foodlink. Visit [www.sacramentoconventioncenter.com](http://www.sacramentoconventioncenter.com) for more information.

#### February 4 - Sacramento VegFest

Sacramento Vegfest returns to the [Artisan Building](#) from 11am - 4pm. Sponsored by the DelPaso Boulevard Partnership, the event features numerous vendors, recipes, demos, speakers, and a tasting competition. Visit [www.sacvegfest.com](http://www.sacvegfest.com) for more information.

#### February 4 - "Textured Inspiration"

The [Brickhouse Gallery](#) will present its 1st Annual Quilt Exhibit, "Textured Inspirations," at a reception from 1pm - 6pm. The event will include a quilt demonstration and talk, refreshments, and a raffle. The exhibit will be on display from February 4, 2012 to February 29, 2012. Visit [www.brickhouseoakpark.com](http://www.brickhouseoakpark.com) for ore information.

## Sacramento Museum Day

The 14th Annual Sacramento Museum Day takes place February 4, 2012. from 10am - 4pm.

A record 28 museums from the greater Sacramento area will offer free or half price admission. Visit the [event website](#) to view a complete list of participants.



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

### Participating museums include:

Aerospace Museum of California  
 The California Museum  
 California State Military Museum  
 California State Railroad Museum  
 Crocker Art Museum  
 Discovery Museum Science and Space Center  
 Fairytale Town\*  
 Old Sac Schoolhouse Museum  
 Old Sac State Historic Park  
 Sacramento Zoo\*  
 Sacramento History Museum  
 Wells Fargo History Museum (both)

\* Half Admission

### Week of February 6, 2012

#### February 9 to 12 - Cinderella

The Sacramento Ballet presents *Cinderella*, just in time for Valentine's Day Weekend. Ron Cunningham's production of the tale has been seen in major cities throughout the world and was the first American ballet to be performed in the People's Republic of China. This production has not been seen in Sacramento since 1997. Visit [www.sacballet.org](http://www.sacballet.org) for more information and for ticket/times.

#### February 11 - Annual Sweet Potato Festival

The 23rd Annual Sweet Potato Festival takes place from 10am - 4pm at the [Pannell Meadowview Community Center](#). The event includes vendors, sweet potato pies for sale, entertainment, sweet potato ice cream for sale, sweet potato pie bake off, and more.

### Week of February 13, 2012

#### February 15 - Unmet Transit Needs Hearing

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) will hold a hearing at 6pm at the [Regional Transit Auditorium](#) looking for feedback on bus, dial-a-ride, paratransit, and light rail transit services in the counties of Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba. RT Routes to the meeting are the 30, 38, 67, 68, and Light Rail Gold Line. Visit [www.sacog.org](http://www.sacog.org) for more information.

#### February 17 to 19 - Sacramento Autorama

Now in its 62nd year, the Sacramento Autorama is "The Kustom Capital of the World" and boasts being home to one of the longest running indoor car shows in the world. Returning to Cal Expo as the premiere custom car show on the West Coast, the show features over 450 of the finest custom cars, hot rods, classics, motorcycles, and specialty vehicles from around the country. Visit the [show's website](#) for more information.



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**Sacramento Youth Commission**

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Sacramento, CA 95814  
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**Safari Tours**

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Department of Parks and Recreation

**FORT NATOMAS**

*Winter Recreation Magazine*  
Your Seasonal Guide to Services and Special Interest Courses for All Ages  
January - February 2012

Check out this winter's guide to services and special interest courses.

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Visit the [catalog's website](#) to view individual sections.

**SAFARI TOURS**  
CITY OF SACRAMENTO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
February - October 2012 *An Active Adult Travel Program*

**TRAVEL PAIR!**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25**  
**10 AM TO 12 PM**  
**COLOMA COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**4623 T STREET**  
**REFRESHMENTS**

Transportation for all tours will be on Amador Stage Lines Luxury Coaches. Driver Gratuity is not included.

**MARCH**  
Saturday, March 17, 2012  
Class #104323

**HORIZON CASINO LAKE TAHOE**  
This is a bargain trip! For just \$11 you will have transportation to the Horizon Casino at Lake Tahoe, where you will spend six hours. Included: \$10 Slot Voucher and \$2 Food Credit. Must be 21 years of age to take this trip. Deadline 2/17/12  
**Trip Cost: \$11.00 per person**  
*(Yes, you read it right! Only \$11!!!)*

Sunday, March 25, 2012  
Course #104324

**MOTHBALL FLEET CRUISE**  
You've wondered about it for years as you drive by on your way to the Bay Area, now explore it up close. Learn the history and enjoy a beautiful day on the bay. This trip has a limit of 35 passengers,  
*Please call (916) 808-8687 to reserve your tour, or visit [www.cityofsacramento.org/safari](http://www.cityofsacramento.org/safari)*

Sign up early! Included: 3 to 3.5 hour cruise of the Mothball Fleet, Lunch. There is also a Davis pick up stop on this trip. Deadline 2/25/12  
**Trip Cost: \$120.00 per person**  
Meal Choice - 1. Roast Beef with Provologne 2. Smoked Turkey with Provologne 3. Seafood Salad (Salmon/Tuna mix). All sandwiches served on a croissant. Lunches include fresh fruit, Caesar salad, pasta salad, non-alcoholic beverage of choice, dessert.

**APRIL**  
Saturday, April 21, 2012  
Class #104325

**APRIL IN CARNEROS**  
*Springtime! Wine! Good Food! What could be more divine!*  
Visit Sonoma County's Carneros wine district for tasting and gourmet food pairings. This special event is by ticket admission only, visit Cline Cellars, Gloria Ferrer Caves and Vineyards, and the Tin Barn Vineyard and shops. Included: wine tasting, gourmet samples, light box lunch, admission to California Missions Museum. Must be 21 years of age to take this trip. There is also a Davis pick up stop on this trip. Deadline 3/21/12  
**Trip Cost: \$110.00**

Friday, April 27, 2012  
Class # 104326

**WINGS OVER THE VALLEY**  
This is a day you will not forget! Start with a special presentation from **West Coast Falconry** featuring their beautiful hawks, falcons and owls. See these magnificent birds up close, learn about how they live and the history of falconry. From there we will move on to **Beale AFB** where we will have a docent tour of the base showcasing the U-2 and Global Hawk surveillance aircraft and learn about specialized flight suits and how they keep pilots safe. We will also visit Beale's canine security force; Woof! A Southern Buffet Lunch at the Base Club is included. Deadline 3/27/12  
**Trip Cost: \$89**

*Councilmember McCarty*  
**We're back! Hotter than ever!**  
**Hot Spot**  
*Friday Nights*  
**7 pm to Midnight**  
**At the George Sim Community Center and Gym**  
**6207 Logan Street, Sac CA 95824**

**BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 13 TO 19**  
**COMING THIS JANUARY!**

1/13 - Homework Happens! Get help with your Math, English and School Projects  
1/20 - Girls Just Want to Have Fun - Learn about Makeup, Hair Design, Braiding  
1/27 - Spoken Word Theatre - Bring your best poem - let your star shine!

**Coming Soon - Work Out Time in the Weight Room!**

**BASKETBALL ■ VOLLEYBALL**  
**TEEN ROOM ■ MOVIES**  
**GAMES ■ SNACKS**  
**AND MORE**

Call (916) 808-6789 for more information  
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