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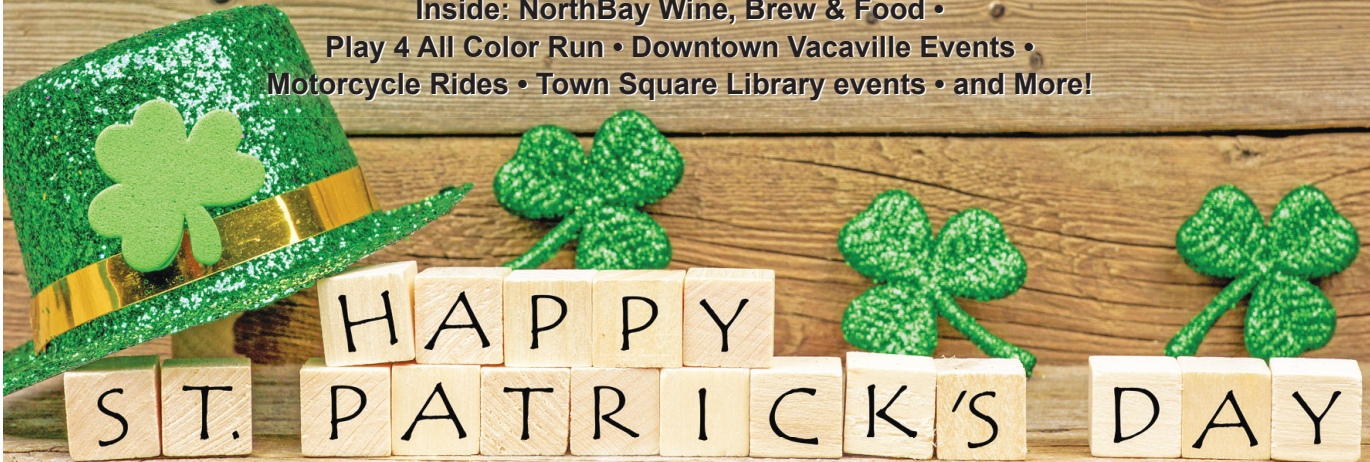
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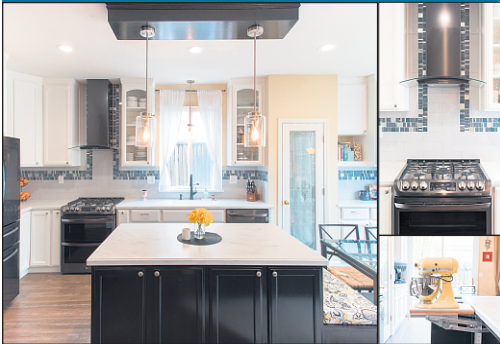


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NorthBay Wine, Brew & Food Jubilee 2020 – Save the Date



**Submitted by Sally Wyatt
Public Relations Coordinator
NorthBay Healthcare, Public Affairs**

The name may have changed, but everything else about Solano County's best-attended fundraising event remains the same, as the 33rd NorthBay Wine, Brew & Food Jubilee gets underway on May 16, 2020 at the Harbison Event Center at the Nut Tree in Vacaville.

"It was time to update our name to reflect the growing number of breweries who have joined area wineries and restaurants to consistently support our event over recent years," noted Craig Bryan, Jubilee Committee Chair and NorthBay Healthcare Foundation board member. "And we're pleased to return to the Nut Tree, which has proven to be a very popular venue with ticketholders and vendors."

The 2020 Jubilee will offer ticketholders a "wine country casual" experience. The evening begins as the sun slips behind the Vaca Valley hills, as folks stroll about the grounds sampling some of the area's best foods and award-winning wines and beers, while enjoying musical entertainment provided by special guests. The evening begins as the sun slips behind the Vaca Valley hills sampling from more than 120 of the area's best restaurateurs, vintners and breweries. A popular silent auction offers



browsers opportunities to bid on such things as exotic getaways, wine country experiences, sports memorabilia, artwork and jewelry.

When the tasting portion of the evening concludes around 9 p.m., ticketholders move over to the Nut Tree Pavilion area, to dance to one of the area's most popular bands, The Rhythm Method 4.

But, before dancers take the floor, the top prize in the Jubilee Raffle will be announced. This year it is an all-cash pot with \$10,000 going to the grand prize winner. Another \$10,000 in cash will also be awarded to 12 winners of \$125, 10 winners of \$500, one winner of \$1,000 and one \$2,500 winner, and there will be \$13,000 in prizes.

Raffle tickets are \$35 each or three for \$100. They can be purchased by calling (707) 646-3133, purchased with a credit card by fax at (707) 646-3135, or in person at NorthBay Healthcare Foundation, 4500 Business Center Drive in Fairfield or Jackson Medical Supply, 506 Main St., Vacaville. Odds of winning

are about one in 100 as only 2,000 tickets will be sold.

All proceeds from this year's raffle will benefit NorthBay Hospice's Dream of a Lifetime program, a wish-granting project for adult hospice patients. Tickets to the Jubilee benefit the programs of NorthBay Hospice & Bereavement.

The Jubilee was established to assure that patients are never charged for hospice or bereavement services. Presenting Sponsors for the 2020 event are Al and Patt Shaw, Dr. Lee and Valerie Freeman, Dennis and Alex Landis, Western Health Advantage, Heidi Y. Campini, Before The Movie, DPR Construction, Medic Ambulance and Jacoby and Kelley Shaddix.

Tickets to the 33rd NorthBay Wine & Food Jubilee are \$100 for those ages 21 and older, or \$125 on the day of the event, if still available.

For more information, contact Susan Cianci, Foundation program coordinator, at (707) 646-3131, or go to www.northbay/jubilee.org.

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All donations are used to make the baskets, which are put together by volunteers, and then distributed locally

by Vacaville Firefighters to children and families prior to Easter.

It only takes about \$5 to make a basket — a small price to pay for a child to experience the joy of receiving an Easter basket. Every basket includes a stuffed animal to love, an educational toy, and a children's book.

Donations or supplies to make the baskets (baskets, candy, stuffed animals, and small toys or plastic eggs) can be dropped off at Bounty Books, 877 Merchant Street in Vacaville. The Baskets of Hope program is partnered with Vacaville City Firefighters Charity Fund, a 501c3 nonprofit. For further information, call 451-4770 or 451-4459, or email basketsofhopevv@cs.com.

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May 16, 2020

Save the date; a day of family fun and community awareness.



Submitted by Katherine Meier

This event is open to the public and is scheduled to begin at 8:30am with registration. Join in the Doggie-Dash at 9:30am or the Color-run at 10:00am, or just come out to support the runners and the park. Don't worry if you are not a runner; you can walk, stroll, wheel, or even skip. It's all about having FUN!

For those of you who have not yet heard of this amazing adventure, it started a few years back when a family visit turned into a brilliant idea! Tom Phillippi took a trip to Texas to visit his children and ended up visiting the Raab Park in Round Rock; the rest (as they say) is history.

The vision is now a reality and ground-breaking has begun. The 7.5 acre Play 4 All Park is unlike any other park in Northern California. Located on Elmira Rd, just east of Leisure town Rd., the park is designed for children of all abilities and disabilities with a theme of Planes, Trains and Automobiles. This theme was specifically chosen to reflect the unique characteristics that are Vacaville and Northern Solano County. Planes are to honor Travis Air Force



Base and the Nut Tree Airport; Trains remind us of the shipping of agriculture produce off to market and of course Automobiles to reflect old Highway 40 and Interstate 80.

The Play 4 All Park has so many awesome features including walking trails, splash pad, and two accessible baseball fields. These fields will provide Challenger League participants with the opportunity to play the game we all love. The fields will also serve City T-Ball, adult wiffle ball and families just enjoying the baseball experience.

But wait! The Play 4 All Park includes two dog parks for our four-legged friends. Just over an acre will provide separate areas for large dogs over 30 pounds and an area for our smaller furry friends.

May 16, 2020 will not only include a Doggie-Dash and a Color-Run (for adults and kids), but also family-fun time to enjoy activities and food. Our goal is to have vendors including (not limited to), Food Trucks, Balloon Art, Corn Hole, Face Painting and more. We will have

plenty of information on the Play 4 All Park too.

There are numerous ways to donate or sponsor and various donation and sponsor levels. This is a phenomenal cause and 100 % of all donations go directly to construction of the park. We have not been able to make this dream happen without the help of our remarkable donors, sponsors and volunteers. We look forward to adding you to that extraordinary group of people!!

Our early Color-Run registration has begun. In order to guarantee a T-Shirt, you must register before April 15, 2020, (\$40.00 for adults and \$15.00 for kids). There is no charge for the Doggie-Dash; however, the dogs will not be allowed to participate in the Color-Run.

To register for the Color-Run, or to reserve your space as a vendor, please visit our website: www.play4allvacaville.org. You can also donate or find out more information on this website. See you May 16, 2020!!

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- Soroptimist International of Vacaville at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesdays except July at Fuso Ristorante, 535A Main St. Call 451-4967 or visit vacavillesoroptimist.org.
- Grief Support Group from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee, call 925-363-1246 to reserve your space.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS CA 567 Vacaville) from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays at Epiphany Episcopal Church, 300 West St. Free first meeting. Cost \$5/month dues, and \$32/year membership. Call 800-932-8677 or visit tops.org.
- Solano Kids Insurance Program (SKIP) from 1 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays at Vacaville Cultural Center Library, 1020 Ulatis Dr. Find out how to get affordable insurance for children, and help with Covered California enrollment. Call 1-866-57-ASKUS or visit solanolibrary.com.
- Town Square Writers from 1 to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays at Town Square Library. Email bylucke@aol.com.
- Sexual Assault Support Group from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays at SafeQuest Solano, 1234 Empire St. Fairfield. Call 422-7345.
- Alcoholics Anonymous — for meeting schedules and general information visit AASolanoNorth.org or call 24 hour hotline at 446-2244.
- Vacaville Odd Fellows Lodge #83 at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday at the Odd Fellows Hall, 532 Main St. Call 249-8344.
- Support group for stroke survivors, caregivers, family members and friends from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday at NorthBay VacaValley Health Plaza, 1010 Nut Tree Road, Suite 240. Call 646-4034 or email egladney@NorthBay.org.
- Nut Tree chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 1230 at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday at Nut Tree Airport County Building, 301 County Airport Rd, Public Meeting Room. Open to all aviation enthusiasts. Visit EAA1230.com.
-  **Wednesday, March 18**
- Parents Empowering Parents, resources and support for parents with children on the Autism Spectrum from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays at Panera Bread, 1630 Gateway Blvd., Fairfield. Call 410-9368 or email agreber@cnpkids.org.
- Acoustic Jam of Vacaville from 6 to 9 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. All styles of music and all ages and levels of players are welcome. Call 448-8963.
- LightWriters Photography Club from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday at Round Table Pizza, 140 Browns Valley Parkway. No monthly or annual dues. All levels of photographers are welcome. Email lightwriterspc@att.net.
- Dixon Scottish Cultural Association from 7 to 9 p.m. on the third Wednesday at the Dixon Vet's Hall, 1301 N. First St. Dixon. Open to all. Membership dues/\$25 for a Family membership. Visit <http://scotsindixon.org>.
- Vacaville Town Square Library Book Talk from 1 to 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday at Town Square Library, 1 Town Square. Call 1-866-57-ASKUS or visit solanolibrary.com.
- Widowed Persons Association of California at 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Call 448-0666.
- First Aid Class for ages 11+ from 6 to 9 p.m. at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Cost \$40 plus \$5 materials fee. Call 469-4000, 469-4020 or 469-6660 or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
-  **Thursday, March 19**
- Free workouts for women on Thursdays. All women are welcome, with or without children. Email noexcusemomvacaville@gmail.com or visit noexcusemom.com.
- Vacaville Rotary Club at 12:15 p.m. on Thursdays at the Vacaville Opera House, 560 Main Street. Call 469-3658 or 688-1995.
- TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) for ages 50+ from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Free. Call 446-8786, 689-7459, or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
- BNI Sales Force at 7:30 a.m. on Thursdays at 3037 Alamo Drive. Call 386-2313.
- Domestic Violence Support Group from 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursdays at SafeQuest Solano, 1234 Empire St. Fairfield. Call 422-7345.
- Master Gardeners at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday at Ulatis Library, 1020 Ulatis Drive. Call 1-866-572-7587 or visit solanolibrary.com.
- Vaca Valley Quilters from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on the first & third Thursday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Open to seniors, walk-in, no charge Supplies are extra.
- Vacaville Elks meeting at 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday at the Vacaville Elks Lodge, 304 Parker St. Call 448-2763.
- Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers class for ages 18+ from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. \$60 plus \$15 materials fee. Call 469-4000, 469-4020 or 469-6660 or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
- Drug Safe Solano free presentation on the Opioid Epidemic from 6 to 7 p.m. at Vacaville Town Square Library, 1 Town Square Place. Call 416-5392 or visit drugsafesolano.org.
-  **Friday, March 20**
- Teen Book Club from 6 to 7 p.m. on the third Friday at Bounty Books, 877 Merchant St. Call 451-4770 or visit bountybooks.net.
- Vacaville Morning Toastmasters Club 7674 from 6:43 to 7:55 a.m. on Fridays in Room A37, third floor, Medical Building A at Kaiser Permanente, 1 Quality Drive. Visit toastmasters.org.
- Book Group for ages 50+ from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Fridays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee. Call 469-6660, 469-4000 or 469-4020 or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
- Coping with Life from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Fridays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee, this group is ongoing, join at anytime, walk-in. For information or to reserve your space, call 469-6620.
- Celebrate Recovery at 6:30 p.m. on Fridays at Crossroads Christian Church,



190 Butcher Road. Call 718-4885, email CelebrateRecovery@cccwv.me or visit vvcrossroads.org.

- Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Fridays at Community Presbyterian Church Music Room, 425 Hemlock Rd. Call 447-1321.

Saturday, March 21

- Young Eagles Flight from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. on the third Saturday through November at the Nut Tree Airport, Youth ages 8 to 17 fly free. Sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 1230 and the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. Lee A. Archer Jr. Chapter. Call 916-801-5837 or email skyeagle409@gmail.com.
- Solano County Genealogical Society Library is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and on the third Saturdays of each month. Library is located upstairs in the Old Historic Town Hall, 610 East Main St., Vacaville. Call (707) 448-6869. Library closed Federal Holidays and the Saturday before Thanksgiving until the New Year.

Monday, March 23

- Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the second and fourth Monday at Covenant Community Church. Open to mothers with children ages 0-6 years. Call 448-5234 or email mops@cccwv.org.
- Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program for ages 50+ from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the second and fourth Monday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. By appointment only. Call 1-800-434-0222.

Tuesday, March 24

- La Leche League of Vacaville (breastfeeding mothers' group) from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday at the WIC Classroom; 1119 E. Monte Vista Ave., 2nd floor (elevator available). Pregnant and breastfeeding women and their families are welcome. Attendance is free. WIC eligibility not required. Call 386-3114.
- Golden Hills Mustang Club at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday at Stars Recreation Center, 155 Browns Valley Parkway. Email info@goldenhillsmustangclub.com.
- Sons of Norway Centennial Lodge at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 580 Trinity Drive. Call 447-0651.
- Vacaville City Speakers Toastmasters Club from 12:10 to 1 p.m. on the second and

fourth Tuesday in the Public Works Conference Room at Vacaville City Hall. Email Dianne@diannelangston.com.

- Solano Health & Social Services from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on the fourth Tuesday at Vacaville Cultural Center Library, 1020 Ulatis Dr. Onsite assistance with applications and enrollment for MediCal and Food Stamps. Behavioral Health support will be provided. Call 1-866-57-ASKUS or visit solanolibary.com.

Friday, March 27

- ICE CREAM & MUSIC AT JOURNEY, Journey Coffee Co, Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, 896 Alamo Dr., Vacaville, California, (707) 580-2641. Friday nights are for ice cream and music! Bring the family down to Journey and enjoy fresh, locally made ice cream from Be Ice Cream or Be Nothing along with live music on the patio! It's a perfect Friday family night out!

Saturday, March 28

- SATURDAYS AT THE NUT TREE, Location: Nut Tree Plaza, Time: 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM, 1661 E Monte Vista Ave, Vacaville, California, 707-447-6000. Head out to the Historic Nut Tree plaza for fun every Saturday! Bring the whole family for fun, games, music, and more!

Monday, March 30

- Grandparents Raising Grandkids, "The second time around ain't easy!" • Make New Friends • Share Ideas and Resources • Offer Support
- Discussion Topics: • Adapting to your changing role • Taking care of oneself and finding balance • Coping with stress, anxiety, and frustration • Creating a caring support network. Mondays 10:00AM – 11:30AM. Solano County residents age 60 & over are welcome! No cost, but donations are appreciated. Call (707) 469-6675 for more information or to register. Seneca Center Offices: 1234 Empire St., Fairfield. <https://www.faithinactionsolano.org/>

Thursday, April 2

- Chief Solano Kennel Club, Inc., at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday at the Elmira Fire Station. Open to everyone. Visit www.chiefsolanokennelclub.org or call 469-3153
- Free workouts for women on Thursdays. All women are welcome, with or without children. Email noexcusemomvacaville@gmail.com or visit noexcusemom.com.

- Vacaville Rotary Club at 12:15 p.m. on Thursdays at the Vacaville Opera House, 560 Main Street. Call 469-3658 or 688-1995.

- TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) for ages 50+ from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Free. Call 446-8786, 689-7459, or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
- BNI Sales Force at 7:30 a.m. on Thursdays at 3037 Alamo Drive. Call 386-2313.
- Domestic Violence Support Group from 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursdays at SafeQuest Solano, 1234 Empire St. Fairfield. Call 422-7345.
- Master Gardeners at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday at Ulatis Library, 1020 Ulatis Drive. Call 1-866-572-7587 or visit solanolibary.com.
- Vaca Valley Quilters from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on the first & third Thursday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Open to seniors, walk-in, no charge Supplies are extra.
- Vacaville Elks meeting at 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday at the Vacaville Elks Lodge, 304 Parker St. Call 448-2763.
- CPR Basics Class for ages 11+ from 6 to 9 p.m. at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Cost \$49 plus \$5 material fee. Call 469-4000, 469-4020 or 469-6660 or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.

Friday, April 3

- Vacaville Morning Toastmasters Club 7674 from 6:43 to 7:55 a.m. on Fridays in Room A37, third floor, Medical Building A at Kaiser Permanente, 1 Quality Drive. Visit toastmasters.org.
- Book Group for ages 50+ from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Fridays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee. Call 469-6660, 469-4000 or 469-4020 or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.
- Coping with Life from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Fridays at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee, this group is ongoing, join at anytime, walk-in. For information or to reserve your space, call 469-6620.
- Celebrate Recovery at 6:30 p.m. on Fridays at Crossroads Christian Church, 190 Butcher Road. Call 718-4885, email CelebrateRecovery@cccwv.me or visit vvcrossroads.org.
- Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Fridays at Community Presbyterian Church Music Room, 425 Hemlock Rd. Call 447-1321.



- Spring Lunchtime Classic Cinema Series, at 12:30 pm on Friday, April 3 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Bring your lunch and enjoy an afternoon of nostalgic cinema from the 1910's and 1920's. We'll be celebrating film greats such as Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, and many more. Our April 3rd film will be "The Mark of Zorro", starring Douglas Fairbanks. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolib.org

Saturday, April 4

- Solano County Genealogical Society Speaker Series, Saturday, April 4, 2019, 11 am — 12:30 pm Fairfield Adult Recreation Center, 1200 Civic Center Dr, Fairfield
- Cath Madden Trindle will present "Irish Genealogy: Exploring the Townlands". Free and open to the public. No reservations needed.
- Saturday Morning "PJs and Toons", at 10:30am on Saturday, April 4 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Start your weekend with a half-hour of retro cartoons from the 1930's and 1940's. Come in your PJs and slippers, and bring a comfy pillow. Complimentary morning snacks will be served. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolib.org.

Monday, April 6

- West Valley Chorus, Come Sing with us, every Monday night 7pm – 9pm Community Presbyterian Church, 425 Hemlock St, Vacaville, CA 95688

Tuesday, April 7

- Free Legal Consultation for ages 50+ from 9 to 11 a.m. on the first Tuesday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Call 469-6660 for appointment.
- "Musical PoetryTime" — National Poetry Month, at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 7 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Celebrate National Poetry Month with Composing Together and Poet, Alan Bern. They'll present original poetry with musical compositions, talk about the creative process, and lead a mini-workshop on creating your own poems and music. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolib.org.

Wednesday, April 8

- The Vaca Valley Garden Club from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on the second Wednesday, November through November, at the Saturday Club of Vacaville, 125 W. Kendal Street. Call 448-3311.
- National Active and Retired Federal Employees Vacaville Chapter 903 at 2 p.m. on the second Wednesday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Contact NARFE.Donovan@gmail.com
- Dementia Caregiver Support Group from 7 to 9 p.m. on the second Wednesday at the NorthBay Vaca Valley Wellness Center Conference Room, 1020 Nut Tree Road. Call 624-7970 or 624-7971.
- Circle D Horsemen at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday at 5250 Griffon Rd. Call 410-6317 or visit circledhorsemen.com.
- "Put It In Writing: Letters of Gratitude", at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Celebrate the art of writing and show your gratitude for first responders, near and far. You provide a heartfelt thank you message, and the library will supply the card which will be mailed or hand delivered. The program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolib.org.

Thursday, April 9

- Sons in Retirement Branch 99 monthly social luncheon meeting at 11:30 on the second Thursday at Stars Recreation Center, 155 Browns Valley Parkway. All retired or soon to retire men are invited. Activities including golfing groups, bowling, RV'ing, etc. Call Larry Connor at 592-1561.
- North Bay PT Cruisers at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday at Tony's Restaurant, 909 Merchant St. Anytime after 5:30 for dinner, meeting at 7 p.m. All PT Cruiser owners are invited. Visit northbaycruisers.org.
- California Corvette Cruisers (CCC) at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday at Stars Recreation Center, 155 Browns Valley Parkway. A social car club welcoming new members. Call Jan at 290-6812.
- Life Stories Writing Group for ages 50+ from 2 to 4 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. Free. Call 446-8786, 689-7459, or visit cityofvacaville.com/CivicRec.

- Solano Classic Car Club at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday at Stars Recreation Center, 155 Browns Valley Parkway. Call 448-4499 or 330-1209.

Friday, April 10

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- Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Fridays at Community Presbyterian Church Music Room, 425 Hemlock Rd. Call 447-1321.
- Discussion Group — American Foreign Policy for ages 50+ from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Friday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. No fee, discussion based on briefing book published by Foreign Policy Association. Call Dawn Brown 628-9465 for info or to order book.

Saturday, April 11

- Disabled American Veterans Chapter 84 at 10 a.m. on the second Saturday at the Veteran's Hall, 549 Merchant St. Call 761-9752 or email moviemann8@comcast.net.

Monday, April 13

- Vacaville Senior Citizens Club business and social meeting at 12:30 p.m. on the second Monday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. All seniors welcome. Call 469-6665.
- Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the second and fourth Monday at Covenant Community Church. Open to mothers with children ages 0-6 years. Call 448-5234 or email mops@cccwv.org.



- Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program for ages 50+ from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the second and fourth Monday at McBride Community Center, 91 Town Square Place. By appointment only. Call 1-800-434-0222.

- Solano County Taxpayers Association meeting at 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday. Locations vary, call 678-9468 or email solanocountytaxpayers@sbcglobal.net.

- “Explore Your Potential” — Department of Rehabilitation Student Services, at 4:00pm on Monday, April 13 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. The California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Student Services provide valuable skills and workplace preparation for special needs students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP), 504 Plan, or a disability. For students from age 16 – 21. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolibrary.com.

Tuesday, April 14

- Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lt. Michael Libonati Jr. Post 7244, at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday at 549 Merchant St. Call 365-9570.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday at 549 Merchant St. Call 447-6354.
- Cliffhangers 4WD at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday at the Vine Street Fire Station. Call 410-7820 or 446-6905, or email twoyotas@gmail.com or dragenfab@sbcglobal.net.
- Vintage Arabian Horse Association at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday at Ranchotel Horse Center, indoor arena office, 5790 Rivera Road, Vacaville. Visit vintagearabian.com.
- Writers Group from 6 to 8 p.m. on the second Tuesday at Vacaville Cultural Center Library, 1020 Ulatis Dr. Call 1-866-57-ASKUS or visit solanolibrary.com.
- Vacaville City Speakers Toastmasters Club from 12:10 to 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday in the Public Works Conference Room at Vacaville City Hall. Email Dianne@diannelangston.com.
- La Leche League of Vacaville (breastfeeding mothers group) from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday at 136 Saybrook Ave. Pregnant and breastfeeding women and their families welcome. Call 469-0705.
- Vaca Valley Radio Club at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday at Nut Tree Airport, 301 County Airport

Road. Call 695-6313 or visit <http://w6vvr.net> or facebook.com/VacaValleyRadioClub.

Wednesday, April 15

- Chief Solano Kennel Club — Puppy Socialization, Beginning Obedience and Conformation classes — See our website for dates and details — www.chiefsolanokennelclub.org — or call 707-469-3153.

Thursday, April 16

- “Insight into Hummingbirds” — Suisun Wildlife Center, at 6:30pm on Thursday, April 16 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. A special presentation about North American hummingbirds. The Suisun Wildlife Center will give us insight into the wonderful world of hummingbirds and share with us the rehabilitation techniques used by the center. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolibrary.com.

Friday, April 17

- Spring Lunchtime Classic Cinema Series, at 12:30 pm on Friday, April 17 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Bring your lunch and enjoy an afternoon of nostalgic cinema from the 1910's and 1920's. We'll be celebrating film greats such as Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, and many more. Our April 17th film will be “Safety Last”, starring Harold Lloyd. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolibrary.com.
- Teen Book Club from 6 to 7 p.m. on the third Friday at Bounty Books, 877 Merchant St. Call 451-4770 or visit bountybooks.net.

Sunday, April 19

- ABATE Local 17 at 10 a.m. on the third Sunday at Judy's Wild Wrangler Saloon, 4823 Midway Road. Call 707-624-6310, email glennphillips01@comcast.net or visit abate17.org.

Monday, April 20

- AMVETS Post 1776 at 7:30 p.m. on the third Monday at 549 Merchant St. Call 447-6354.
- The Horticulture Club at Solano Community College at 6 p.m. on the third Monday in the Horticulture Building #1000 on the SCC main

campus, Fairfield. Free parking in Lot #6. Annual membership \$12, open to all. Call 975-6856 or email kennav27@aol.com.

Saturday, April 25

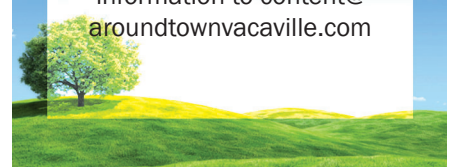
- Music performance by the Barbershop Harmony chapter — the West Valley Chorus — National Library Week, at 2:30pm on Saturday, April 25 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. In celebration of National Library Week, join us for a special music performance by Vacaville's local acapella singing group. They'll entertain and delight us with their barbershop-style harmonies. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolibrary.com.

Tuesday, April 28

- “Tail Spinners” Pet Talk, at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 28 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Join us for our program designed for animal lovers and pet owners. This month's guest speaker will be the rescue organization, Funky Chicken Rescue. They'll share with us information about their organization and their mission to rescue and adopt chickens and other unwanted animals. For more information, call 1-866-57-ASKUS, or visit www.solanolibrary.com

Notes from the Editor

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Peña Adobe Welcomes Members of The Berryessa Valley Exhibit!



**Submitted by Cricket Kanouff
Peña Adobe Historical Society
(707) 470-9975**

Submerged deep beneath Lake Berryessa are the remains of the town of Monticello, which was a rich farm community and home to about 300 residents. Before the completion of Monticello Dam in 1957 and the subsequent flooding of the Berryessa Valley, the town of Monticello, founded by Ezra Peacock in 1867, was evacuated.

Long before workers removed the buildings and the ranches of Monticello, before they relocated the cemetery and cleared away all the trees, the Berryessa Valley was originally a Mexican land grant which was awarded to the Berryessa brothers, Jose and Sisto, in 1843.

Soon after the Berryessa brothers sold their land in 1860, settlers came to Monticello. Their descendants owned acres in the Berryessa Valley and grew wheat, barley, hay and raised cattle. The valley was home to some of the richest land in Napa County with resident farmers also producing grapes, pears, prunes and peaches. The town had a hotel, a school, two gas pumps, a general store, a community hall and a bar called The Hub. McKenzie and Sons' store, later reestablished in Vacaville as Pacific Hardware, was a central meeting place in town. Monticello became a popular venue for rodeos, which drew people from miles around.

Just as the Berryessa Valley was being filled with water after the completion of the Monticello Dam, Wesley and Elsie Plunkett began the development of the Spanish Flat area on the west shore of the lake. Today, Carol McGinnis



Fitzpatrick has created the Berryessa Valley Exhibit at the Spanish Flat Village. Carol and her family were forced to leave Monticello in the mid-1950s to make way for the lake. Fitzpatrick maintains an exhibit of photographs, newspaper articles, family heirlooms and artifacts of the families who once lived in Monticello at the Spanish Flat Village near the grocery to keep the story of Monticello alive.

Meet Carol and descendants of the families of Monticello on Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 11:00am – 2:00pm at the Peña Adobe Park in Vacaville and learn their amazing stories. Park visitors are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy under towering oak trees while listening to the Vacaville Acoustic Jam under the direction of Terry and Leslie Cloper. The Acoustic Jam sing and play a variety of instruments, including the guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddle, and harmonica. Park docents will offer tours of the Adobe, Museum and grounds. This event is free!

Volunteers from the Peña Adobe Historical Society open the Adobe and



the Museum for visitors from 11:00am to 2:00pm the first Saturday of the month, February thru December. If you have an interest in local history, e-mail us at penaadobe@gmail.com and come join us at this gateway to Vacaville!

4th Annual Downtown Clean Up Day Seeking Volunteers



With Spring and warmer days ahead of us, our Town Square, Andrews Park, alleyways and sidewalks are in need of some love! The Downtown Vacaville Business Improvement District is hosting a Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 18th from 9-11AM as an opportunity for Vacaville's business and community leaders and their families to work together to take pride in the heart of the city and celebrate Earth Day (April 22nd).

Volunteers will report to the Downtown Vacaville booth at Andrews Park to pick up supplies and a map with designated clean-up spots. All ages and skill sets are welcome. We ask that volunteers dress in comfortable work clothes with closed toed shoes. Trash bags, supplies, gloves and refreshments will be provided. Totes and garbage removal provided by Recology of Vacaville and Solano Resource Conservation District. SonRise Community Fellowship will once again help lead the cleanup efforts on Parker Street and surrounding area.



RSVP for Clean Up Day is encouraged by email at info@DowntownVacaville.com or phone at 707-451-2100. Walk-ups welcome!

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Downtown Vacaville April Events

2020 Downtown Vacaville Farmers' Market season to open two weeks earlier, on Saturday, April 18 in Andrews Park



For nearly 25 years, Vacavillians have savored their Saturday morning Farmers' Market strolls in Downtown Vacaville for its fresh, organic produce, handmade goods, and familiar faces. This year, that cherished Saturday morning tradition will begin two weeks earlier — on April 18th.

The Downtown Vacaville Business Improvement District, working in partnership with the City of Vacaville and Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, is excited to once again host an expanded Saturday Morning Farmers' Market that provides access to fresh, organic produce, at the Creekwalk Plaza in Andrews Park.

By popular demand, last season the Market returned to its' 8AM-12PM time slot. With ample grassy picnic spots, live music and local crafters, there's more than just quality produce. Visit VacavilleFarmersMarket.com throughout the season for info on weekly market events.

Opening day is April 18, 2020. City leaders and dignitaries will be present

for a ribbon cutting ceremony at 9:30AM. Admission to the market is always free. The 2020 Market season will run through October 10th with no market on May 23rd or July 4th due to special events in the park. Free parking is available on East Main St., Georgie E. Duke parking lot and surrounding areas. Dogs on leashes are allowed in the park and in designated areas of the market.

The Market is currently accepting Arts & Crafts, Local Businesses, Nonprofits, Food Vendors and a limited number of Farmers with preference to local producers and hand-crafted items. Visit VacavilleFarmersMarket.com to learn more.

21st Annual Art, Wine & Brew Stroll in Downtown Vacaville to feature wine & craft beer tastings, food, live music and artists.

Join the Downtown Vacaville BID for an art-themed shopping stroll on Saturday, April 25th from 2-6PM. The afternoon begins with a meet-the-merchant stroll featuring 15+ tastings of beer and/or wine, small food pairings and shopping. Local Art will be on display and for sale from makers and artisans. This event is part of Vacaville's second annual citywide "VACA Arts Week", April 17-26, curated by the Vacaville Arts & Cultural Alliance (VACA) and Visit Vacaville.

Stroll tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 on the day of the event. Check in at Town Square where Main meets Merchant Street in Downtown Vacaville. Ticket holders receive a souvenir glass, map and passport/raffle card. Ticket holders who visit a minimum number of tasting locations can enter their signed passport to win raffle prizes donated by Downtown merchants! Must be present to win. Parking is free. All ages are welcome but must be 21+ to stroll (bring photo ID to pickup your tickets).

Tickets are available for purchase at DowntownVacaville.com or in person at 313 Parker Street from 9AM-6PM Monday thru Friday, by phone at 707-451-2100 and will be available for purchase on the day of the event in Town Square (while supplies last). All ticketing is will-call; no paper tickets will be issued.



Solano Land Trust — March Outdoor Adventures



**Submitted by: Di Holokahi
Solano Land Trust Engagement
Assistant**

Suisun City, CA — “It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade.” — Charles Dickens, *Great Expectations*. Join Solano Land Trust and their amazing docents and participate in the activities to get outdoors and explore the beauty of Solano County! For important details, including each activity’s meeting location, directions and registration information, visit the events calendar at solanolandtrust.org. For additional questions, call 707-420-1041. March opportunities include:

Sat. March 21, Sun. March 22, Sat. March 28 and Sun. March 29 from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Jepson Prairie Preserve

Wildflowers & Water Critters

Walk: Jepson Prairie Preserve is one of California’s best remaining examples of a vernal pool ecosystem and native grassland prairie. Dry and dormant most of the year, the prairie is transformed by winter rains into a tapestry of stunning colors, and its vernal pools host a rich diversity of rare aquatic life. Visitors can enjoy an easy guided walk which may include portions of the Preserve that are only accessible with a Jepson Prairie docent. Participants can learn about vernal pools and see the aquatic invertebrate and flowering plants that depend on them. Volunteer docents offer these two-hour tours every Saturday and Sunday starting at 10 a.m., March 14 through May 10 (Mother’s Day). No pre-registration required. Free, but donations requested.

Sat. March 21 from 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Rockville Trails Preserve

Yoga Hike: Barbara Fredericks will lead this family friendly hike with some warm up stretches and then will proceed on the trail. On yoga hikes, participants practice standing poses to support the body before, during and after the hikes. Participants can enjoy the sun on their face and the wind in their hair while they do yoga. RSVP recommended. Meeting location: Meet at the red “Ice House” building on the corner of Rockville Road and Suisun Valley Rd.

Sat. March 21 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Rush Ranch

Get the Rush! This month, Get The Rush will be celebrating National Nutrition Month! On the third Saturday of every month, volunteers offer family-friendly activities at Rush Ranch. Timing and activities vary month to month. This month, we will have our educational partners on site giving information about the programs they offer at Rush Ranch for field trips. Visitors can also travel back in time by entering a traditional blacksmith shop, and join a docent-led interpretive hike focused on the birds, plants and water of the marsh. Guests can explore exhibits, wander trails on their own, and bring a picnic lunch to enjoy. The docent led hike will begin at 11am. Meeting location is in front of the flag pole. Rain cancels the hike. Free.

Sat. March 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lynch Canyon

Nature Hike: This hike will take visitors westward along Middle Valley Trail leading to Prairie Ridge. Expect about a 5 mile hike at a moderate, but even pace over uneven ground. Muddy spots will have cattle prints. There are steep climbs over several hills with the longest at Prairie Ridge. It’s worth it to see the view of the northern San Francisco Bay and Vallejo. Hike leaves promptly at 9:15 from the parking lot. Docent guides will be discussing plant communities, landforms, and birds at Lynch Canyon pointing out highlights as we go. Bring boots, appropriate clothing, water and a snack.

RSVP requested. COST: The hike is free, but parking is \$6.00 at Lynch Canyon.

Sat. March 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Trail Crew Volunteer Opportunity: Help Solano Land Trust prepare the first trail at Rockville Trails Preserve. Projects include improving trails, fixing fences, weeding and more. No experience is necessary. Participants learn while volunteering. Free pizza lunch provided. RSVP is recommended. Contact volunteer@solanolandtrust.org

Ongoing at Lynch Canyon and Rockville Trails Preserve

Guided rides on your horse: Tours of Rockville Trails Preserve and Lynch Canyon are offered for experienced trail riders with fit horses that are both trail- and road-trained. Horses not provided. Contact Mindi at splish@sbcglobal.net or Christine at cnken13@juno.com. Parking is \$6 at Lynch Canyon. The guided rides are free. Space is limited.

Ongoing at Rush Ranch

Horse Feeding Volunteer Opportunity: Get trained to feed the horses at Rush Ranch weekly throughout the year. Contact Tom at tmuehleise@aol.com.

Volunteer Docents Needed: Rush Ranch Educational Council is requesting for volunteer docents. Contact Mary Takeuchi 707-422-4491, or taksan@comcast.net.

Explore on your own

Lynch Canyon is open Fridays through Mondays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to picnic, fly a kite, see cows and wildlife, and explore the trails on foot, mountain bike or horse. Parking is \$6. Rush Ranch is open every day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for visitors to picnic, explore exhibits, see horses and cows, and walk alongside the tidal marsh or hike up hills. Parking is free. Both locations offer 360 degree views of Solano County and the Bay Area.

Solano Land Trust protects land to ensure a healthy environment, keep ranching and farming families on their properties, and inspire a love of the land. For more information about Solano Land Trust, its upcoming events and to make a donation, visit solanolandtrust.org.



Rough Riders M/C Spring Fling Supporting Veterans and Veteran Causes

The Rough Riders Motorcycle Club invites all riders and those who support veterans to their Spring Fling at noon on Saturday, March 21. The event takes place at the Bandwagon Bar, 586 Parker Road in Fairfield, and includes food, party and raffle. Cost is \$20 per person.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Yountville Veterans Home. Located in the heart of scenic Napa Valley, the Veterans Home of California-Yountville (VHC-Yountville) is a community of and for veterans. Founded in 1884, VHC-Yountville is the largest veterans' home in the United States, offering residential accommodations with recreational, social, and

therapeutic activities for independent living.

Some 1,000 aged or disabled veterans (both men and women) from World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Desert Storm, and Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Iraqi Freedom now live at the home.

Health care needs of veterans admitted to the Yountville Home at the Residential Care level are met by on-grounds facilities for Residential Care for the Elderly (RCFE), intermediate Care, Skilled Nursing Care, and a "Memory Care Center" for residents with various forms of dementia.

The Rough Riders M/C is a traditional motorcycle club. The RRMC is dedicated to Veteran's Causes and POW/MIA issues.

Their mission is to support all veterans, veteran groups and veteran hospitals. As members of the motorcycle community they are respectful of all and affiliated with none.

Club membership is composed of veterans from Vietnam through Afghanistan and includes many Active Duty, Reserve, Retired and National Guard personnel.

Non-veterans who share the Rough Riders M/C values and goals are welcome to join. The club welcomes all that are interested in supporting veterans or POW/MIA issues and can contribute to their club and cause.

For more information about the Spring Fling or the Rough Riders M/C call Wolfman at 707-718-2532.

ABATE Local #17 9th Annual Poker Tournament



Feeling Lucky? Join ABATE Local #17 for their 9th Annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament at 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 2. The tournament takes place at the Moose Lodge, 6585 Gibson Canyon Road in Vacaville.

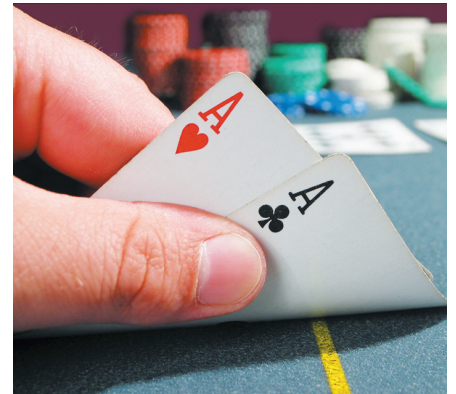
Cost is \$50 per person, with sign-ins beginning at 5 p.m., and the cards flying at 6 p.m. Early sign-ups will earn bonus chips — sign up in March and receive 1000 bonus chips; and sign up in April and receive 500 bonus chips. A portion of the proceeds will benefit local charities including scholarship programs, Baskets of Hope, and Wreaths

for Yountville, as well as others.

There will be a variety of raffle prizes, plus prizes for the tournament itself. It's a great way to win some prizes, have fun playing poker, and visit with people.

ABATE is a motorcyclists' rights organization dedicated to preserving freedom of choice and freedom of the road on or off with emphasis on education and safety. Although not a club, our members are active in programs for public awareness and motorcycle safety and in supporting many types of charity events. There are no special requirements for joining aside from an interest in promoting motorcyclists' rights and safety with payment of the appropriate fees.

Local #17 meets monthly at 10 a.m. on the third Sunday of the month at Judy's Wild Wrangler Saloon, 4823 Midway Road in Vacaville. Their activities include the Hot Rods and Harleys in June, FYAO



Run in March, Bingo runs, and promoting motorcycle awareness and safety.

For more information about the Poker Tournament or ABATE Local #17, please call Sal at 707-483-7445 or Glenn at 707-624-6310.

Town Square Library programs for April



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Spring Lunchtime Classic Cinema Series, at 12:30 pm on Friday, April 3 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Bring your lunch and enjoy an afternoon of nostalgic cinema from the 1910s and 1920s. We'll be celebrating film greats such as Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, and many more. Our April 3rd film will be "The Mark of Zorro", starring Douglas Fairbanks.

Saturday Morning "PJs and Toons", at 10:30am on Saturday, April 4 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Start your weekend with a half-hour of retro cartoons from the 1930s and 1940s. Come in your PJs and slippers, and bring a comfy pillow. Complimentary morning snacks will be served. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library.

"Musical poetry time" — National Poetry Month, at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 7 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Celebrate National Poetry Month with *Composing Together* and poet Alan Bern. They'll present original poetry

with musical compositions, talk about the creative process, and lead a mini-workshop on creating your own poems and music. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library

"Put It In Writing: Letters of Gratitude", at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Celebrate the art of writing and show your gratitude for first responders, near and far. You provide a heartfelt thank you message, and the library will supply the card which will be mailed or hand delivered. The program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library.

"Explore Your Potential" — Department of Rehabilitation Student Services, at 4:00pm on Monday, April 13 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. The California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Student Services provide valuable skills and workplace preparation for special needs students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP), 504 Plan, or a disability. For students from age 16 – 21.

"Insight into Hummingbirds" — Suisun Wildlife Center, at 6:30pm on Thursday, April 16 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. A special presentation about North American hummingbirds. The Suisun Wildlife Center will give us insight into the wonderful world of hummingbirds and share with us the rehabilitation techniques used by the center. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library.

Spring Lunchtime Classic Cinema Series, at 12:30 pm on Friday, April 17 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Bring your lunch and enjoy an afternoon of nostalgic cinema from the 1910s and 1920s. We'll be celebrating film greats such as Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, and many more. Our April 17th film will be "Safety Last", starring Harold Lloyd.

Music performance by the Barbershop Harmony chapter — the West Valley Chorus — National Library Week, at 2:30pm on Saturday, April 25 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. In celebration of National Library Week, join us for a special music performance by Vacaville's local acapella singing group. They'll entertain and delight us with their barbershop-style harmonies. This program is free, thanks to the Vacaville Friends of the Library.

"Tail Spinners" Pet Talk, at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 28 at the Vacaville Public Library — Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Join us for our program designed for animal lovers and pet owners. This month's guest speaker will be the rescue organization, *Funky Chicken Rescue*. They'll share with us information about their organization and their mission to rescue and adopt chickens and other unwanted animals.

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