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**ON THE RISE:** According to federal, state, and local agencies, teen use of nicotine vaporizes—often called vapes or e-cigarettes—has risen dramatically over the last few years.

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## Political Watch

• Sens. **Dianne Feinstein** (D-California) and **Kamala Harris** (D-California) joined Sens. **Richard Burr** (R-North Carolina), **Thom Tillis** (R-North Carolina), **Lindsey Graham** (R-South Carolina), **Tim Scott** (R-South Carolina), **Bill Nelson** (D-Florida), and **Marco Rubio** (R-Florida) in introducing the Hurricanes Florence and Michael and California Wildfire Tax Relief Act on Nov. 16. The legislation would allow more taxpayers to claim personal property loss deductions in their taxes, remove penalties on certain hardship withdrawals from retirement accounts, encourage employers in hard-hit areas to retain employees, expand “opportunity zones” for those looking for aid, and allow taxpayers to use earned income from the prior year when claiming certain tax credits. Sen. Feinstein said in a statement that the bipartisan bill “will help families recover by providing them with much-needed tax relief as we begin to rebuild in the aftermath of these natural disasters.” Sen. Harris stated that, “The wildfires that tore across California this year claimed precious lives, devastated communities, destroyed thousands of homes, and forced hundreds of thousands of Californians to evacuate. The road to recovery for these communities won’t be easy, and we have a responsibility to give them the federal support they desperately need. Today, I am proud to join with my colleagues to provide these families working to rebuild their lives with much-needed relief.”

• At a Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee hearing on Nov. 15, Sen. **Kamala Harris** (D-California) questioned Assistant Secretary for Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) **Ronald Vitiello** regarding the agency’s policies for detained pregnant women held at the border and allegations of abuse by ICE agents. Harris asked Vitiello about ICE’s reversal on a policy that prohibited the detainment of pregnant women and asked him to provide the numbers of pregnant women currently being detained and the what trimester they are in. Vitiello acknowledged that women in their third trimester had been held by ICE. “Since ICE issued this policy, there has also been a question about what is exactly the policy regarding women in their third trimesters. Can you tell me what the current policy is on that?” Harris asked. “The very rare circumstance where someone would be in custody in their third trimester, it would only for, to effectuate a removal,” Vitiello said.

• Rep. **Salud Carbajal** (D-Santa Barbara) announced in early November that federal grant funding was allocated for San Luis Obispo County to support programs that improve outcomes for individuals with mental illnesses and substance abuse issues. The Department of Justice will provide \$1.79 million for SLO County programs, including \$400,000 through the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program. “Strengthening the partnership between law enforcement and mental health services ensures individuals struggling with mental illnesses have access to the care they need while also addressing their wrongdoings,” Carbajal said. “I’m grateful for this funding, which helps fill a serious gap in our criminal justice system.”

• Outgoing Lompoc Mayor **Bob Lingl** received an award from the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) in September, the Spirit of Public Power Award. The organization honors someone each year who “embodies the spirit of public power by demonstrating an outstanding commitment to public service to both their community and NCPA.” Lingl served on the NCPA Commission since 2011 and was chair and executive committee chair from 2016 and 2018. “This recognition is testament to the city of Lompoc providing low-cost, reliable public power for our community,” Lingl stated. “I’d like to acknowledge our city’s electric division for its continued commitment to excellence.” ○

## County collects \$1.8 million in pot taxes in first financial quarter

It’s still a long and windy road before commercial cannabis regulations are set in stone in Santa Barbara County, but officials are already seeing dividends in the form of tax revenue.

According to Assistant CEO Dennis Bozanich, the county’s lead on cannabis enforcement, compliance, and regulation, around \$1.8 million in taxes were collected from 30 pot growers between June 30 to October 31 of this year.

He said the numbers fall in line with projections given to the county in December 2017 by consultants and staff about what the county can expect to collect from its nascent cannabis industry.

At the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors meeting on Nov. 13, Bozanich informed the supervisors that the majority of cannabis operators had yet to submit taxes. Out of the 96 state-licensed operators in the county, 41 stated they had no gross receipts during the June to October time window, while another 31 did not submit reports at all.

Bozanich attributed the lack of reporting to the timing for outdoor cultivation sites, which harvest and process their product in October. Around 75 percent of all cultivation sites in Santa Barbara County are of the outdoor variety, he said.

“It wouldn’t be too surprising that they [county cultivators] hadn’t had any sales from product that they had just harvested given the processing and drawing times,” Bozanich added.

The report delivered to the supervisors on Nov. 13 also revealed a growing trend in the county: The number of active state-issued temporary cultivation licenses had dropped from 1,289 in July to 832 in October. The drop in licenses also brought down the estimated total acreage for growing pot from 315 acres to 196 acres countywide.

According to Bozanich, the vast majority (around 70 percent) of all marijuana cultivation is occurring in the Lompoc and Santa Ynez Valley areas.

He said the numbers for licenses and acreage were dropping for a few reasons. One contributing factor is state licenses, once easy to obtain in the early phases, are now harder to get and come with more requirements.

“I think a lot of cultivators sought and received initially those temporary licenses because they were free and they were easy to get,” Bozanich explained. “You didn’t have to submit a lot of forms or you didn’t have to provide any real backup data. It was kind of like, ‘Fill out the online form, have a pulse and respiration rate, and you’re good,’ to get a temporary license.”

And because the state temporary licenses were free, many growers applied for ones they didn’t necessarily need to give themselves more flexibility when choosing how much to grow. Now that cultivators have had time to assess their operations, they appear to be letting many of the extra licenses expire, according to county enforcement officials.

Add those conditions with a change to state regulations in June that now requires growers to submit maps of their sites and go through an approval processes with Regional Water Quality Control Boards as well as state Fish and Wildlife, and the drop in licensing countywide begins to make sense, Bozanich added.

“I think what you’ll see here is the October numbers in terms of active licenses, parcels and acres, is a much more realistic picture of what the active industry is at in the county at this time,” he said. “That might also mean that next quarter the gross receipt numbers will be significantly higher because that cannabis

[harvested in October] would have moved into the market.”

County staff and supervisors also pointed to enforcement as probably moving the regulatory needle in the right direction.

As of Oct. 31, the Sheriff’s Office Cannabis Compliance Team had initiated 10 enforcement actions against unlicensed cannabis operators.

The result thus far has been one arrest for perjury and the destruction of more than 400,000 plants worth an estimated \$88.9 million in the unlicensed market.

Additionally, the county’s Planning and Development Department has opened 30 additional enforcement cases. At least nine county-issued notices to address cannabis cultivation violations and cannabis-related zoning and building code violations have been sent, according to Bozanich.

“Most of these violations are the result of operators not having valid state licenses or the use of lights and hoop [houses],” Bozanich said.

The county hopes to address its hoop house issue with a draft ordinance that will be brought in front of the board on Dec. 11. After that, enforcement agents and staff should have a clearer idea of who is following state and county regulations and which growers are in violation.

—Spencer Cole

## County to implement restrictions on chlorpyrifos

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) announced recommended restrictions on a controversial pesticide on Nov. 15, and growers in Santa Barbara County will have to comply.

The recommendations—including buffer zones, application guidelines, and discontinued use on most crops—further restrict the use of chlorpyrifos, a chemical insecticide used on California nut trees, and fruit, vegetable, and grain crops to kill mites and other insects.

It’s a pesticide that many researchers think could cause harmful health effects, according to the DPR, and the recommended restrictions will provide increased protections from potential exposure to chlorpyrifos while the agency develops permanent limitations on its use.

County agricultural commissioners across the state will be able to decide whether they’ll implement and enforce the guidelines, and Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner Cathy Fisher said her office plans to adhere.

“The Santa Barbara County Department of Agriculture will be implementing all of DPR’s recommended new interim permit restrictions on the use of the pesticide chlorpyrifos in Santa Barbara County,” Fisher wrote in an email to the *Sun*.

In accordance with the DPR’s suggested guidelines, all aerial applications of chlorpyrifos will be banned in Santa Barbara County, and its use will only be allowed on crops for which there are few, if any, alternative pesticides, as determined by the University of California



**POT TAX:** Santa Barbara County staff reported nearly \$2 million in pot taxes had been collected from licensed cultivators since June of this year.

Cooperative Extension.

A quarter-mile buffer zone will be required during all allowed applications of the pesticide and for 24 hours afterward, and a 150-foot setback from houses, businesses, schools, and other sensitive sites will be required at all times, regardless of whether those sites are occupied at the time of application.

The department is recommending that county agricultural commissioners begin implementing the interim measures on Jan. 1, 2019.

Charlotte Fadipe, the DPR’s assistant director of communications, said that while the new guidelines are not mandatory, they will allow for increased protections from chlorpyrifos in many counties, although she said it’s too soon to tell how many will actually implement the restrictions. The limits, she said, will provide at least some kind of temporary protection from chlorpyrifos while the DPR continues developing permanent regulations, a process that will likely take another two years.

Chlorpyrifos was banned from household use in 2000, and an EPA health risk assessment of the pesticide published in 2016 found that exposure to it could potentially cause serious, lasting health issues.

Studies conducted by the DPR also found that chlorpyrifos may act as a “toxic air contaminant,” and that excessive exposure to chlorpyrifos in the air

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## Weekend Weather

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Wednesday looks like the rain day, but some showers Thanksgiving Day can't be ruled out. The weekend is looking partly cloudy and better for travel.

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could cause nausea, dizziness, respiratory paralysis, and developmental disorders. Exposure to the pesticide in water, according to the DPR, may be toxic to fish, aquatic invertebrates, and marine organisms.

On Sept. 19, the DPR announced a proposed regulation that would officially and legally mark chlorpyrifos as a toxic air contaminant, which could lead to further restrictions on its use in California. The toxic air contaminant listing process included a 45-day public comment period on the proposed decision, which closed Nov. 9.

Days after the DPR announced its proposed regulation on chlorpyrifos, the U.S. Department of Justice announced plans to fight a court-ordered nationwide ban on the pesticide, saying the federal court's ruling was based on an incorrect assessment of the scientific evidence.

Despite the controversy surrounding chlorpyrifos that is playing out on the national, state, and local levels, Fadipe said its use has significantly declined in the past decade. While California growers used about 2 million pounds of the pesticide in 2005, the state used more than 900,000 pounds in 2016, Fadipe said.

"Growers want to do the right thing," Fadipe said. "They know that socially this pesticide is a little challenging, and from what I've heard they're looking to use something else. I would anticipate that this pesticide is on its way out."

—Kasey Bubnash

## Chumash and Luiseño tribes file lawsuit against SoCal cardrooms

The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians released some of the details in a lawsuit that it

and another tribe recently filed against several Southern California cardrooms, which the tribes say are operating games illegally.

The complaint, filed in San Diego County Superior Court by the Chumash and the Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians, alleges that 12 Southern California cardrooms and several unnamed third-party-proposition players are offering house-banked and percentage card games, which fall into a category called "third class gaming."

Third class gaming allows the house to compete with its players, according to Chumash Chairman Kenneth Kahn, who said that means any money that players lose goes to the house. It's a style of gaming that he said is only allowed on tribal lands, and cardrooms offering it outside those lands, he said, are operating illegally.

"The key to our argument is that the cardrooms in California are playing beyond the rules," Kahn told the *Sun*, "and our frustrations are that we had to go through a number of steps back in '99 with the statewide proposition, and even further with Proposition 1A, which allowed us to sign an agreement with the governor to have third class gaming."

Proposition 1A, the Gambling on Tribal Lands Amendment of 2000, was a voter approved change to the state Constitution that allowed the governor to negotiate third class gaming with tribes. Because of Proposition 1A and its resulting negotiations, third class gaming is only allowed on tribal lands, and can only be offered by tribes with state approved gaming contracts.

Before tribes were allowed to offer house-banked games, Kahn said cardrooms were heavily regulated to ensure that style of gaming wasn't being illegally offered. Now several cardrooms that aren't legally allowed to offer

third class gaming are, and Kahn said it's had deep financial impacts on several tribes.

"We just don't quite understand why the state is now not adhering to the same standards as they were when we couldn't do it," Kahn said. "We want to make sure the laws are followed and that the state reinforces those."

Allegations in the complaint also include charges of public nuisance and unfair competition.

The tribes are seeking injunctive relief to prohibit the listed cardrooms from offering banked and percentage card games, according to the press release, and legal relief for the financial losses of business and governmental revenue, tribal employment opportunities, and goodwill.

—Kasey Bubnash

## Water agency donates turkeys

Dozens of turkeys were donated to local families in need on Nov. 16, when Golden State Water Company staff in Santa Maria transferred the frozen birds from a company truck into one owned by Catholic Charities that morning.

Food donations are an important part of the services that Catholic Charities provides in the community, explained David Coelho, the client services regional coordinator for the organization.

"People need this food to survive on," Coelho said. "This is not going to just be holiday fare, this will be table fare to feed their families. It's substantial for them to meet a vital need."

The water agency gets involved in food drives around Thanksgiving every year, explained Mark Zimmer, Golden State's general manager for the coastal district. The local office participates in the company's "Operation Gobble," which works to provide support

organizations with quality food donations.

They've worked with Catholic Charities for "a number of years," Zimmer explained, to help feed families in Santa Maria.

"We always want to work with all of our public officials, we welcome them and encourage them to join in," Zimmer said. "I think it's just a great way for us to come together as community leaders and help our community and ensure that everyone has a good, warm dinner at this time."

Santa Maria Mayor Alice Patino was at the donation on Nov. 16 as well, and said she was there to help and raise awareness of programs like Catholic Charities, Good Samaritan Shelter, and the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County that accept food donations.

Patino said it was "important that members of the community that do have the resources give to the less fortunate."

"It's all part of our community," she added. "We like giving to those that, maybe they're down and out or don't have the resources this year, but they're in need of that dinner."

The Santa Maria office of Golden State Water donated 52 turkeys to Catholic Charities that day, but Zimmer said the agency donates around 600 in SLO and Santa Barbara counties each year.

Coelho with Catholic Charities said that holiday-time donations like the one from Golden State are a huge help, and that donations throughout the year are needed too.

"We're grateful to receive this assistance, but people have needs all year round," Coelho said. "We're very grateful to Golden State Water, and the attention that Mayor Alice Patino takes to see that Catholic Charities is able to provide for others." ○

—Joe Payne

Jillian Davenport, MD, FAAP

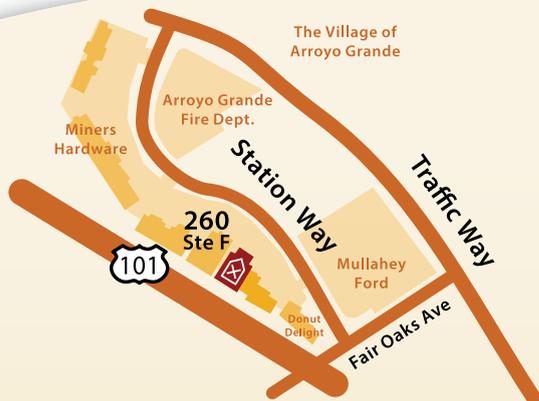
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## Why the rush?

### Ag community pushes back on Santa Maria H-2A housing ordinance

BY SPENCER COLE

The final of five community meetings held by Santa Maria city officials focusing on seasonal farmworker housing was met with fierce opposition from the local ag community on Nov. 15.

Of greatest concern among the several dozen residents gathered that night in a small room at the Minami Community Center was how quickly the city is moving forward with a new ordinance that would set a cap on the number of foreign workers that could be housed in a particular dwelling under the federal H-2A program.

"Agriculture is not what it used to be, so we rely heavily on this program," said Carlos Castaneda, a Nipomo-based farm labor contractor. "This program is the only lifeblood we have left. I trust the judgement of our civil servants, but I have to question it when it moves at breakneck speed."

Santa Maria staff and its City Council have spent much of the year attempting to tackle the H-2A issue, culminating with the five community forums its chaired since late spring. Most of the meetings have revolved around painstaking explanations from the city, state, and Santa Barbara County on how the program works, the processes involved, and what can be done without violating federal law.

The H-2A program grants temporary visas for foreign workers as a way to augment the

workforce for domestic farmers experiencing labor shortages. The vetting process is extensive, involving background checks and interviews with the U.S. Consulate. Once the visas expire, laborers return to their home countries.

Since 2012, the number of such workers in the county has exploded from practically zero to more than 2,000. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Santa Maria has roughly 1,200 certified H-2A workers, more than any city in California.

Santa Maria officials in particular were caught off guard by the program in January of this year, when several residents voiced complaints at City Council meetings about H-2A's blooming presence in many of the city's neighborhoods. On March 20, the council unanimously passed an urgency ordinance banning property owners from housing more than six H-2A workers in units falling under single-family and medium density residential zoning.

Surrounding ag community representatives immediately blasted the decision, calling it rushed and poorly researched. The temporary ordinance expired on May 4, after the council opted not to extend it.

The pace for regulation has slowed since then, with the city rolling out its five meetings methodically in an attempt to get as much information to the public as possible, according to City Attorney Phil Sinco.

The result was the draft ordinance presented on Nov. 15, which would effectively cap the amount of H-2A workers permitted within residential areas to six, unless owners apply for a conditional use permit, which would allow for seven or more without a cap.

All permits could be issued by the city's "zoning administrator" and do not require review by the Planning Commission (unless it is appealed by neighbors) as it had in years

past. The ordinance also would make housing employees of any number a conditional use in certain commercial districts.

Applications would take around 30 to 45 days to complete, according to Sinco. He said the new zoning requirements would give city administrators and code enforcement teeth to hold bad actors accountable.

"The basis of zoning is the fundamental power of government," he said.

Regardless of the city's attempts to placate the agricultural sector and community members frustrated with the program's apparent impact on Santa Maria neighborhoods, the vast majority of speakers were still against the proposed ordinance and the speed at which the city was moving to pass it.

The Planning Commission is expected to approve the document when they meet on Nov. 21. If approved, the ordinance would go to the City Council, which would then have an opportunity to pass it on Dec. 4.

"Our members need adequate time to review this," said Claire Wineman, president of the Grower-Shipper Association of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties. "I don't think a thoughtful review can be confined to a two week process."

According to Wineman, most members have already made financial commitments for the next growing season and would "definitely" be impacted by the ordinance's passage.

Her comments were echoed by Laura Brown, a regulatory analyst for the California Strawberry Commission.

"This feels very rushed," she said. Brown argued that the council and city had only really been working on the issue for less than a year, and to suddenly force an ordinance on the ag community was a far cry from a fair and equitable process. She asked council

members in attendance that night to let the ag community evaluate what the conditional use permit process will look like.

"Right now we're in a very time sensitive time for growers as far as securing housing for their H-2A workers," Brown said.

Castaneda, the labor contractor from Nipomo, noted that many concerns stemming from community members in past months were overblown. As an example, he mentioned a property he purchased for H-2A workers that before had had as many as 18 compliance issues with the previous owner—who had not been affiliated with the H-2A program.

Since Castaneda's workers took up occupancy, the number of violations has dropped to zero.

"These are model citizens, interviewed by us and our U.S. consulate, only an X amount of people can be there and not one more or we get barred from the program," he said, adding that regular landlords violate code "all the time."

Castaneda pointed to San Luis Obispo County's approach, which he characterized as better paced. He also called the city's emergency ordinance in March "mud on your face" to Sinco and the council members at the meeting, including Councilmembers Etta Waterfield, Mike Cordero, and Mayor Alice Patino.

"The first meeting that started almost a year ago, we were promised to be at the table, to have a conversation on how to form this, not to have something stuffed down our throat that goes to [the Planning Commission] next week, and council the next.

"I think we're all in for coming up [with] a solution," he added. "We just want a seat at the table." ○

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# Battery-powered addiction

Vapes may be less harmful than tobacco cigarettes, but prevention specialists say the electronic devices are making youths addicted to nicotine

BY KASEY BUBNASH

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**BATTERIES (AND NICOTINE) INCLUDED:** Uriel Chavez, Santa Maria Future Leaders of America youth organizer, holds a poster displaying several vape pens, e-cigarettes, and e-juices that were confiscated from students at high schools in the Santa Maria Valley. Chavez was just one of about 10 representatives of youth advocacy organizations who attended a meeting on Nov. 2 at Foursquare Church, where attendees discussed ways to deter vaping among middle and high school students.

A few years ago, Hattie Bermudes didn't even know what vapes were. Now she asks her kids about them nearly every day.

As a mother of two San Marcos High School students and a member of the Parent Teacher Student Association, Bermudes spends a lot of time on school grounds, and within the past year or so, she started spotting unusual trash in the bushes on campus.

Small devices—rectangular, translucent cases with colorful lids—were littered throughout the school's landscaping. They appeared to be electronic and looked about the right size and shape for a computer's USB port. They looked like flash drives.

Soon she learned that the devices were emptied e-juice pods, cases containing liquid flavoring and nicotine or marijuana. The pods attach to vapes or e-cigarettes, which she learned are electronic smoking devices that heat e-juice liquids and transform them into vapor that users can then inhale.

Vapes and e-cigarettes work on essentially the same premise as old-fashioned rolled cigarettes—delivering nicotine quickly to the body through inhalation—but without the tobacco and smelly smoke that comes with it.

The more Bermudes researched vapes and e-cigarettes, the more she learned about how popular they're becoming among teens. She read about the biggest e-cigarette companies and their questionable youth-centered marketing strategies, the still relatively unregulated e-cig market, and the relatively unknown long-term health effects.

Then she found a vape in her 16-year-old daughter's car.

"I stayed very calm, even though I was

panicking inside," Bermudes said.

She rounded up her daughter and her 14-year-old son, and asked them if they'd ever tried vaping, or worse, if they were using regularly.

She braced herself, "and I just listened."

The vape wasn't her daughter's, it was a friend's. But Bermudes said she was "totally shocked" to hear from her kids that they'd both tried vaping a handful of times, and that many of their classmates were doing it constantly—at parties, during lunch, and even in the bathrooms and locker rooms at school.

Athletes are doing it, as are the band kids, her kids told her, and the students leading in academics, all the way to those failing every class. Her kids told her that some of their classmates are so addicted, they often leave class to sneak a puff.

"It's rampant," she said. "My daughter says that it's everywhere."

She's right. Although modern vapes and e-cigarettes have existed for more than a decade, improved technology, a wider range of flavors, and increasingly sleek devices have made vaping massively popular among teens in recent years.

It's become so common that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) said in a September press release that the trend had reached "an epidemic proportion," and announced a major enforcement operation aimed at reducing sales of e-cigarettes to minors.

While some camps say vapes simply provide a safer alternative to the deadly carcinogens and tar that come with burning tobacco, tobacco use prevention specialists worry that the devices are getting a new generation addicted to nicotine, and unravelling decades of prevention work on the federal, state, and local levels.

The last few years have been tough for prevention organizations, which have been fighting to end heavy-duty marketing campaigns and close the many loopholes that exist for e-cigarette manufacturers. But thanks to dramatic statistics and widespread parent and teacher concern, Santa Barbara County's prevention programs are being enhanced and updated, tobacco and nicotine product restrictions are being considered, and local prevention specialists say another lapse in youth nicotine use could be on the horizon.

## YOUTH VAPING AT A GLANCE

- E-cigarette use rose significantly among U.S. middle and high school students between 2011 and 2017. While only 1.5 percent of high school and 0.6 percent of middle school students reported using e-cigarettes in the 2011 National Youth Tobacco Survey, the 2017 survey found that 11.7 percent of high school and 3.3 percent of middle school students had used e-cigs within the last 30 days before taking the survey.

- While more than 98 percent of all e-cigarette products contain nicotine, roughly 60 percent of U.S. teens surveyed in a 2015 study incorrectly reported that e-cigarettes were mostly composed of flavoring.

- Unlike traditional cigarettes and other tobacco products, e-cigarettes can be advertised on television and radio.

- One brand of e-cigarette, JUUL, has become increasingly popular since its launch in 2015. JUUL's unit sales increased by more than 600 percent in 2017, and its sales now represent more than 70 percent of the e-cig market share.

'It's not cool to JUUL in school'

Until only recently, Lompoc resident Mustafa Fhaies smoked two packs of cigarettes nearly every day. Eventually he grew tired of enduring all of the most common side effects of smoking—his hair and clothes constantly reeked of tobacco smoke, he struggled to sleep, and he suffered lengthy and intense coughing fits almost every morning.

He switched to vaping JUULs, a still relatively new but extremely popular brand of e-cigarette, and Fhaies said the severity of his symptoms soon diminished. They haven't returned.

"I feel way better," he said. "Now I can't even stand the smell of cigarettes."

So Fhaies said he can see why vapes in general, and especially JUULs, are such hot ticket items at each of his four tobacco and vape shops in Lompoc, Santa Maria, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Cruz County.

Fhaies said that while his tobacco sales have dropped off in recent years, vape and e-cigarette sales are only increasing. His vape-related sales have nearly doubled since the beginning of this year, and he said JUUL is one of his best sellers.

Since JUUL first hit the stands in 2015, it's become a company worth more than \$1.5 billion, and it now represent more than 70 percent of the e-cigarette market share.

JUUL sells a vast breadth of e-juice flavors, ranging all the way from creme brulee and mango to American tobacco, and it uses a unique salt-based nicotine delivery system that allows for a higher absorption of nicotine in the body. Both are features that Fhaies said buyers seem to love, especially those in college towns.

While the advent of vape culture has been great for his bottom line, Fhaies said he has to be careful.

"We get a lot of minors trying to buy," he said. "A lot. Especially in San Luis and Santa Maria."

Although vaping is significantly less harmful than smoking tobacco cigarettes, according to data collected by the Truth Initiative, a nonprofit public health organization dedicated to preventing tobacco and nicotine use, there is no evidence that they help adults quit smoking, and nicotine in any form is harmful and extremely addictive.

That's especially true for kids, according to the Truth Initiative, whose brains and bodies are still developing, and who seem to be most attracted to vapes and electronic cigarettes.

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The 2018 National Youth Tobacco Survey shows an even more dramatic situation. The number of U.S. high school students who reported being current e-cigarette users increased by 78 percent between 2017 and 2018, according to an FDA press release. Numbers among middle school students rose by 48 percent.

Santa Barbara County is seeing a similar trend. While 6 percent of ninth graders surveyed in the county's 2016-17 California Healthy Kids Survey said they'd smoked a whole cigarette, 22 percent said they had tried a vape or an e-cigarette. Only 2 percent of surveyed ninth graders said they were currently using cigarettes, according to the survey, but 6 percent said they were consistently vaping. Those responses were echoed by surveyed seventh and 11th graders, too.

It's an issue parents, teachers, and law enforcement agencies across the nation are working to address, and a pattern many feel is no accident.

With wide ranging fruity flavors sold in brightly colored boxes, youth-centered ads on social media, and easy-to-hide techy designs, e-cigarette manufacturers have been widely accused of purposely targeting teens.

After the FDA announced its plans to tighten restrictions on e-cigarette manufacturers in September, the agency gave companies like

JUUL, Blu, and Logic 10 days to develop plans to keep their products away from teens.

On Nov. 13, JUUL announced it would stop selling most of its flavored e-juice pods in stores and discontinue its social media promotions. Two days later, the FDA announced plans to officially ban most e-cigarette flavors, flavored cigars, and menthol cigarettes.

Those are the same kinds of restrictions some organizations on the Central Coast hope to persuade local municipalities to enact, ensuring that children here are safe, regardless of what's happening on the national level.

## Education as a deterrent

When Edwin Weaver was a kid, his uncle Frank was a frequent babysitter.

If Frank needed to get somewhere while he was looking after the kids, Weaver said he'd stick the six of them in the back seat of his car—no car seats, no seat belts—and he'd hit the Pennsylvania turnpike, a Scotch and soda in one hand, and a cigarette in the other.

Frank's behavior, though not all that uncommon at the time, would obviously be considered unsafe and immoral, not to mention illegal, in today's world.

"So public health strategies changed all of that," Weaver said, adding that thorough research, outreach, and education eventually resulted in laws against driving without wearing a seatbelt, drinking and driving, and smoking in cars where children are present.

And Weaver said he's confident the same will happen with vaping and e-cigarettes.

"In a world where there are lots of social problems, this seems like a minor one to many people," Weaver said. "But it's so easy to fix. It really is something we can make a difference in."

Weaver, executive director of Fighting Back: Santa Maria Valley, a nonprofit dedicated to reducing substance abuse and violence in the area, said tobacco prevention efforts appeared to be making major strides just a few years ago. Surveys showed tobacco and nicotine use among local teens to be on a steady decline, even in years as recent as 2014.

Then JUULs hit the shelves, and Weaver said, "it just spiked up."

Although Fighting Back already offers tobacco use prevention education courses and activities to each of Santa Barbara County's public and charter school districts, Weaver said he felt the dramatically rising prevalence of vaping among teens was a cause for updated and improved prevention materials.

"We see this as a menace that the tobacco industry has created to get back into the pockets and lungs of our kids," Weaver said, "and we want to stop it."

With approval from the Santa Barbara County Education Office, Weaver hired a full-time

tobacco use prevention education specialist this school year, a position that he said is entirely funded by tobacco tax profits. The specialist, Edith Perez, will lead activities and presentations in schools and offer a prevention tool kit, all of which are aimed at teaching parents, teachers, and students about the dangers of vaping and e-cigarettes, free of charge.

The curriculum includes information on teens' brains and how they develop, on addiction, a history of tobacco and the tobacco industry, flavors, marketing manipulation and demographic targeting, and of course, the health effects of vaping nicotine.

Perez said despite arguments that vaping nicotine is less harmful than smoking tobacco, teens who vape have higher chances of nicotine addiction, and with that, a greater vulnerability to other drug addictions. Just like tobacco cigarettes, vaping nicotine can damage the lungs and heart tissue, weaken the immune system, and cause chest pain and coughing.

Although the vape-focused portion of the program is still in its developmental stages, Perez said she's already led four events at schools in the Santa Maria Valley, and her open slots for November and December are quickly filling up.

At each of the events she has led, Perez said she's been bombarded with questions and comments from parents wanting to know more, and she's had interesting feedback from kids.

After one presentation, she said two high school students approached her and told her how tired they were of smelling vapes in class, in the halls, in the bathrooms, and outside. Perez said one of the students told her vaping is essentially impossible to avoid at school.

"Then the other student said that they don't like going to the restroom and they pretty much hold it all day because the restrooms are so bad at schools," she said. "Everyone in there seems to be JUULing."

Most kids aren't even aware that vapes and e-cigarettes have nicotine in them, she said. While more than 98 percent of all e-cig products contain nicotine, 60 percent of students surveyed in a 2015 study reported



**SILLY RABBIT, VAPES ARE FOR KIDS:** While some say vaping is simply a safer alternative to smoking burnt tobacco, tobacco use prevention specialists argue that the tobacco industry is specifically marketing to teens. E-juice companies like "Juicy AF" package their products in brightly colored boxes reminiscent of juice boxes, and sell flavors that would typically be most appealing to children, including bubble gum, melon candy, and Hawaii berry.

that e-cigarettes were mostly flavored liquid, according to data collected by Truth Initiative.

That, Perez said, makes student education vital to ending the popularity of vaping. Of course, she said, policy change could help too.

## Pushing for policy

At a meeting in Santa Maria on Nov. 2, Fighting Back staff met with a few representatives of other youth-oriented and tobacco use prevention organizations to discuss possible ways to deter e-cigarette use among local teens.

Attendees included members of the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse; Marian Hospital; Future Leaders of America; and Dawn Dunn, coordinator of the Santa Barbara County Health Department's Tobacco Prevention Program, who gave a rundown of policy changes that could get results.

One of the first steps, Dunn said, would be to push the Santa Maria City Council to enact a tobacco retail licensing ordinance. Several communities in Santa Barbara County—including Goleta, Carpinteria, and the county's unincorporated areas—already have tobacco retail licensing ordinances, which require retailers hoping to sell tobacco and nicotine products to apply and pay for a license.

It's similar to the liquor licensing system, Dunn said, and the licensing fees paid by tobacco retailers go toward funding the basic education and training of each retailer, and the enforcement of tobacco sale laws.

Without a tobacco retail licensing ordinance, Dunn said it can be difficult for communities to regulate tobacco retailers, enforce laws, and ensure that minors are being turned away. And right now, minors in Santa Barbara County are being sold to.

In this year's undercover buy operations—stings conducted each year by the county's Tobacco Prevention Program, in which underage volunteers attempt to buy tobacco and nicotine products without lying about their ages—about 14 percent were able to buy illegally. Still, areas with tobacco retail licensing ordinances fared just about as poorly as those without.

But Dunn said tobacco retail licensing requirements hold another benefit: Once they're written and passed, it's easy to develop and add new regulations that further impede access to tobacco and nicotine products.

Some of the most common additions to retail licensing ordinances are density restrictions. In Carpinteria, Goleta, and unincorporated areas, new tobacco retailers are not allowed to set up

shop within 1,000 feet of any school, Dunn said, an attempt to keep tobacco and nicotine products far away—literally—from children.

Local governments could also prohibit tobacco stores from selling within 1,000 feet of parks, churches, or even other tobacco stores, Dunn said, or place packaging limits and pricing minimums on tobacco products typically sold in large quantities at low prices.

A flavor restriction could also easily be added to tobacco retail licensing ordinances, and Dunn said that because so many young people find flavors enticing, that could be one of the most effective policies. In a study cited by the Truth Initiative, roughly 43 percent of middle and high school students surveyed said they started vaping because of the variety of "appealing" flavors.

At the Nov. 2 meeting, Fighting Back staff took note, and later announced plans to present information on vaping and e-cigarettes to the Santa Maria City Council at a meeting on Dec. 4. They hope to push for some of Dunn's most highly suggested policy changes.

But policies don't change overnight, and Dunn said smokers tend to feel directly singled out by tobacco licensing ordinances and restrictions.

"We aren't anti smoker, we're an anti tobacco industry program," Dunn said, adding that the tobacco industry's marketing clearly targets youth, people of color, and low-income communities, solely to make money on nicotine addicts, who she said become "customers for life."

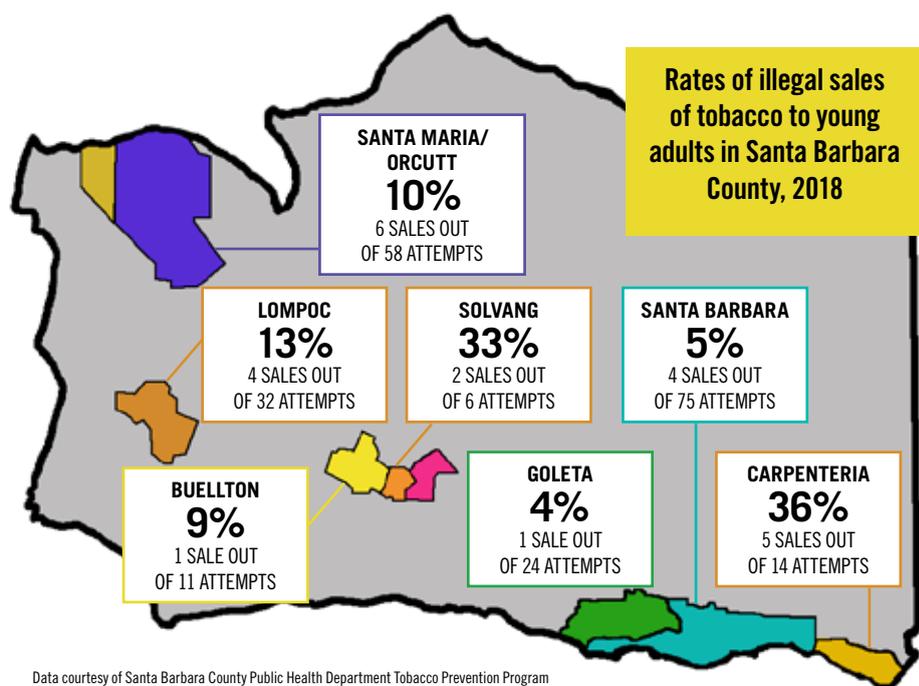
So while she said there's still work to be done, including the development of some kind of local nicotine addiction treatment program for Santa Barbara County kids, it's important to jump on the issue in any way possible, as quickly as possible.

"It's a social disparity issue," Dunn said. "It's a health equity issue." ○

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## CRACKING DOWN

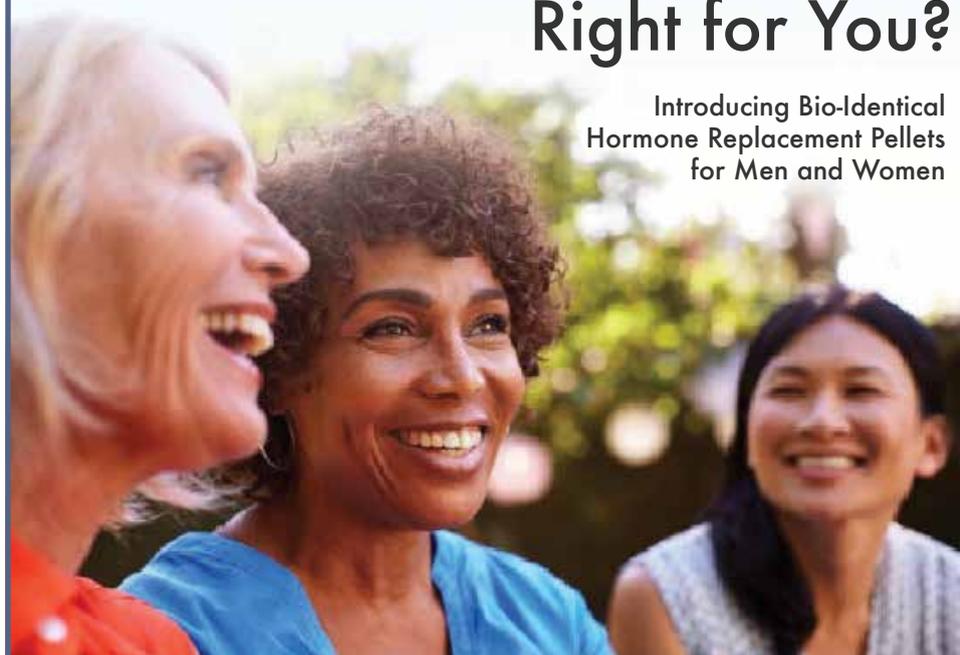
Three areas in Santa Barbara County have crafted policies thought to be most effective in reducing tobacco/nicotine use. Carpinteria, Goleta, and unincorporated areas in the county all have tobacco retail licensing ordinances that require shops planning to sell tobacco and nicotine products to apply for a license. These areas also prohibit new tobacco retailers from setting up shop within 1,000 feet of schools.



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## Spotlight on: EcoWatch Movie Nights

*Mikel Robertson, co-owner, Green Goods*

BY SPENCER COLE

To close out the year, four Central Coast companies are holding three separate screenings of environmentally conscious themed films.

“We choose films that may cover ‘eco’ or ‘green’ topics, including water quality issues, natural resource preservation, animal protection, waste issues, globalization, recycling, and sustainable agriculture,” said Mikel Robertson, co-owner of Green Goods. He told the *Sun* his sustainable living construction firm joined forces with other San Luis Obispo-based businesses including Ten Over Studio and Purlieu Landscape Design, along with the Morro Bay-based All Good.

All the companies involved, with the exception of All Good, provides services related to eco-friendly and “green living” construction, design, or landscaping. All Good is known for organic pain relieving creams, lip balm, and similar wellness products.

“We’ve all been working in our community together building green homes and business—both in the interior of the building and the exterior landscapes,” Robertson said.

Almost naturally, the companies have found themselves advocating for green solutions such as rainwater harvesting, the responsible use of gray water, drought tolerant landscaping, the use of nontoxic and sustainably sourced materials, as well as the need to create and celebrate sanctuary spaces.

It’s why the four firms decided one of the best ways to get out their shared vision of a more environmentally conscious community was to screen films revolving around current environmental conditions across the globe.

“We want to engage audiences in issues, threats, and hopeful developments in shaping their children’s future,” Robertson said. “We will focus on one topic each evening and share a simple solution or activity that individuals or families can incorporate into their lives at home and use the movie they watched as inspiration.”

On Nov. 15, they held their first screening in the yard in front of Green Goods’ parking lot. The movie aired that night was *Tomorrow*. Released in 2015, the French documentary explores potential concrete solutions to a rapidly changing world due to climate change and human population growth, coupled with urban and rural development.

At least two more film nights are set to be held on Nov. 29 and Dec. 6 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the same location (111 South St.) in San Luis Obispo. The last November film is *Valley Uprising*, which

takes a deep dive into how the rock climbing culture in Yosemite Valley developed into the world-famous extreme sport it is today.

The last film, airing on Dec. 6, is called *Given*, the only movie that’s not a documentary. It follows a young boy from Kauai and his family traveling and surfing across 15 different countries. What follows is a story that reveals a young man opening his eyes to the raw, powerful, and yet fragile world that surrounds him.

The festival is free to attend on any night. Prospective patrons are advised to bring warm, comfortable clothing, folding chairs, and “inspired minds.”

### Highlights:

- The California Highway Patrol (CHP) once again partnered up with Walgreens Pharmacy this year for the annual CHiPs for Kids holiday toy drive. CHP representatives will be at Walgreens in Santa Maria on Saturday, Nov. 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. collecting toys for children in need in local communities. The public is encouraged to bring new, unwrapped toys to Walgreens (2399 S. Broadway). Walgreens will offer discounts to anyone who purchases a toy from the store and donates it to CHiPs for Kids.

- The Santa Barbara County Foodbank called for community help to replace equipment damaged in a truck accident on Oct. 15. The wreck resulted in total losses of a refrigerated food transport truck, its electric pallet jack, and food that was on board. Estimated cost to replace the lost equipment and food is \$145,000. To contribute, donate online at [foodbanksbc.org](http://foodbanksbc.org) or by sending a check to Foodbank of Santa Barbara County at either 4554 Hollister Ave., Santa Barbara, 93110, or 490 W. Foster Road, Santa Maria, 93455. Credit card payments may be taken by phone at (805) 937-3422, Ext. 106.

- The Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) luncheon on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the Abel Maldonado Community Youth Center. The event gave local business owners and professionals the opportunity to mentor an aspiring student and lead them on their way to future success, according to the Chamber. All FBLA students were from Santa Maria and Orcutt area high schools. ○

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**NEW HEIGHTS:** Four Central Coast companies are teaming up to host a three-day outdoor film festival, featuring evening screenings across four weeks at 111 South St., SLO. The first viewing was on Nov. 15, while the next two will be held on Nov. 29 and Dec. 6 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Pictured: A climber makes his way up a granite face in Yosemite National Park in the film *Valley Uprising*.

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# County adoption celebration highlights foster care community needs

BY KASEY BUBNASH

Not every child who needs a family gets one. That was the sentiment Santa Barbara County Superior Court Judge Arthur Garcia said he hoped community members would remember at an adoption celebration on Nov. 14, when nine former foster children were officially adopted by six families at the Santa Maria Juvenile Courthouse.

The ceremony acted as both a celebration of the children and their adoptive families, and as the county's kickoff event for National Adoption Celebration Month. While each November brings happiness for those who've been adopted, Garcia said the month is also a reminder that not all kids are so lucky, and that more adoptive and foster families are always needed.

"Adoption is very special," Garcia said at the event, "because each adoptive parent is doing this with their eyes wide open."

Lisa Johns is one of those parents. Johns, who works in the Santa Maria-Bonita School District, officially became a licensed resource parent in June 2017. Two young siblings, Jowayne, 4, and Josephine, 3, landed in her care in September of last year, and they quickly started to feel like a permanent part of her family.

"It was like a perfect fit," Johns said. Soon it became increasingly clear that the toddlers' biological parents might not ever be able to care for them adequately—family reunification is the county's ultimate goal—and Johns said she and her family decided that if necessary, they would agree to adopt Jowayne and Josephine.

The family waited as the toddlers' parents slowly lost custody, a process that Johns said was an "emotional roller coaster." When they did finally lose parental rights, Johns said her feelings were even more complex.

It hasn't always been easy, Johns said, but it's all paid off. Her now adoptive children are thriving and looking forward to a magical holiday season.

Johns said a lot of people considering fostering or adoption say they don't feel ready or worry that the process will be too difficult, emotionally and financially. Those unknowns can be scary, but Johns said she tells people to "just embrace it."

"One house can change a child's life," Johns said. "So if there's a chance to give a child a happy ending, I think you should just take it."

That's what San Marcos High School teacher Frank Koroshec did nearly 12 years ago, when he and his wife became licensed foster parents. Since then they've adopted two children, agreed to adopt another, and fostered about 13 total.

It's been a rewarding experience, Koroshec said, but it comes with challenges, and he said resource families need all the support services they can get.

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**PROVIDING RELIEF:** San Marcos High School students and Resource Family Association Student Support Team members Jaiden Feldman (left) and Antonia Fields (right) work with a foster child at a recent club event.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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### Karli Huguenard

Ernest Righetti High School junior Karli Huguenard is more than just an outstanding cowgirl, she's a mentor to other students hoping to show animals or compete in rodeos.

Huguenard, a member of Righetti's Rodeo Club, is also a part of the school's Warrior Goat Group, a program designed to help kids with special needs and disabilities get involved in competitive animal shows. Huguenard teaches other students to show goats, and she's been involved in the program for about two years, according to Rodeo Club faculty advisor Dutch VanPatten.

And when she's not helping her classmates, barrel racing, or tying goats, she's working hard in school, where she's kept a consistently high grade point average.

"She's a prime example of what you'd want a kid to be like," VanPatten said. "She's just a great kid." ○  
—Kasey Bubnash

So four years ago, Koroshec and a small group of his students started the Resource Family Association Student Support Team, a club that provides child care, support groups, and informational events to resource parents in the Santa Barbara area.

In its initial stages, the club provided free child care services to resource parents who were attending training sessions, which Koroshec said resource parents need eight hours of each year to stay licensed.

After receiving donations and grant funding, the club grew, and now some of its 80 members are trained in trauma informed care and CPR, some tutor local foster kids, and others organize events specifically designed for resource families.

The program has been a huge success in the Santa Barbara area, and Koroshec said he's working to find educators in North County willing to launch a similar program to help youth there.

"We realized the majority of foster youth are in North County, but most of the resources are in South County," he said. "We need a partner club up in Santa Maria."

Koroshec said he hopes North County will take it on because the program has truly proven to be a win for foster families and kids, the students working with them, and the adoption and foster community as a whole. Many of his students have even told him they plan to adopt one day themselves, or pick up a career working with foster youth. "That's it right there," he said. "They're working with people, and when you do that, it kind of changes the way you view the world." ○

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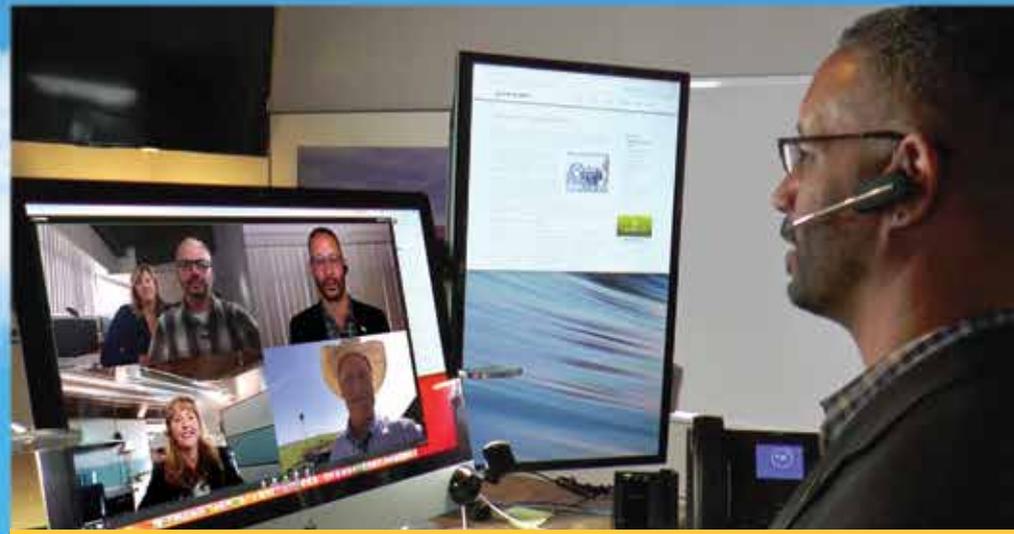
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## Thanks for supporting Measure U, voters

BY ALICE PATINO

On Election Day, Santa Maria voters sent a clear and strong message about their priorities and willingness to fund local municipal services and quality of life programs, as an impressive 72.33 percent enacted Measure U2018.

Thank you, voters, for extending and increasing this local sales tax from a quarter-cent to the 1-cent rate. We are grateful for your support and confidence in the work done by your city employees, and we will continue to earn your trust.

To manage expectations, you will start seeing results next summer after Measure U2018 takes effect on April 1, 2019. That is the date when Santa Maria retailers will begin collecting the 1-cent tax and reporting proceeds to the state. In turn, the state takes a few months to disperse the funds to the city government. Simply put, the anticipated new revenue will be available for the city's 2019-20 budget beginning July 1 next year. Until then, the city budget adopted by the City Council remains in effect through next June 30.

Measure U2018 will bring in an estimated \$18 million annually. Visitors also will pay, helping support Santa Maria's local services. Considering Santa Maria's proven history of budgetary accountability in general, and for Measure U specifically with a citizens' oversight committee, residents can look forward to the same responsible spending, with a significant boost for

police and fire, as well as other public services.

Now that the voters have spoken, our city staff is preparing a Measure U spending plan to bring forward to the City Council and public next February.

Back in January through June of this year, the city did extensive background research before proposing the new measure. City staff reached out to the community and conducted a survey to gain feedback from residents; we asked the public what services and programs it wants and prioritizes—including an open-ended question about what is important to you.

The results: 71 percent of respondents identified an increase in police officers for crime prevention and gang suppression as a top priority. Most people also indicated staffing fire stations with the appropriate amount of firefighters, maintaining 911 response times, retaining youth services, and providing safe space for teens as priorities.

Your City Council responded with a ballot measure that matched that feedback, and the volunteer campaign team effectively communicated that message for voters to decide. The ballot box results of 72 percent in favor closely mirrored the survey results, which is reassuring.

Measure U2018 passed because for the past six years, the city has kept its word and used the revenue stream from Measure U2012 exactly as it said it would. The city did not disappoint

taxpayers, spending about 90 percent of Measure U revenue directly on public safety, police and fire in particular. Ten percent of the city's sworn police officers and 20 percent of Santa Maria's fire stations are funded through the measure. It also funds code compliance, graffiti abatement, and park rangers.

The city's overall sales tax rate will increase from 8.0 percent to 8.75 percent. This remains a rate lower than most people in California pay and also will not be the highest sales tax in Santa Barbara County.

In closing, I want to thank those who stepped up to work many volunteer hours campaigning through the Yes on U 2018—Protect Santa Maria committee: Glenn Mengel, Rick Haydon, Mark van de Kamp, Russ Menger, Leonard Champion, Phil Hansen, and Jason Stilwell. I also very much appreciate all those who endorsed the campaign, and am proud of the businesses who donated financially. You worked together in the best interest of our community.

The 72 percent voter support was a higher level than all but four of 50 other cities with similar local sales tax measures on the November ballot. Also, it surpassed the 63.95 percent support in June 2012 when Measure U was introduced. Again, Santa Maria voters, thank you for your support. Our top priority must and will remain keeping our neighborhoods safe and our economy thriving. ○

Alice M. Patino is the mayor of Santa Maria. Send your thoughts to [letters@santamariasun.com](mailto:letters@santamariasun.com).

## Thanks for supporting Measure U

Thank you Santa Maria voters for supporting Measure U. Your generous support will allow our city to continue to provide professional public safety services and keep up with the ongoing growth we experience.

As vice chair of the Measure U Citizens Oversight Committee, I will continue to work to ensure your hard-earned tax dollars are being appropriately used as they have been in the past.

Jack Owen  
 vice chair, Measure U Citizens Oversight Committee

## Warning, no serviceable parts

Back in the "olden days," when your TV started acting up and a couple of good thumps didn't fix it, you would take off the back cover and pull out the "tubes" (if I've lost you, find an old person and ask them, "What is a tube?"). The next step was to go to the local drug store and plug the tubes into a tester, buy new tubes for those that tested bad, plug all the tubes back into your TV, and presto, it's fixed.

We went through a short period of time where easily tested parts no longer existed even though you still could take off the back cover and marvel at what you saw. Unless there were obviously burned-up parts, good luck getting it to work again.

Today, our little gadgets are not even a little bit user serviceable. In fact, should the maker of the device determine you can't use it anymore, they can simply reach through the internet and choke the life out of it. There is no redress.

Our government at all levels appears to have the same template. Layers of bureaucratic red tape, artificial intelligence answering machines and responses, agenda-driven politics that serve only two masters, and more power over your money, life, and freedom. There doesn't seem to be any user-serviceable parts.

The last chance of trying to make government responsive is the ballot box, and now that is mired in artificial intelligence, corruption in

election officials, and legal finagling designed to exhaust a simple desire for honest government.

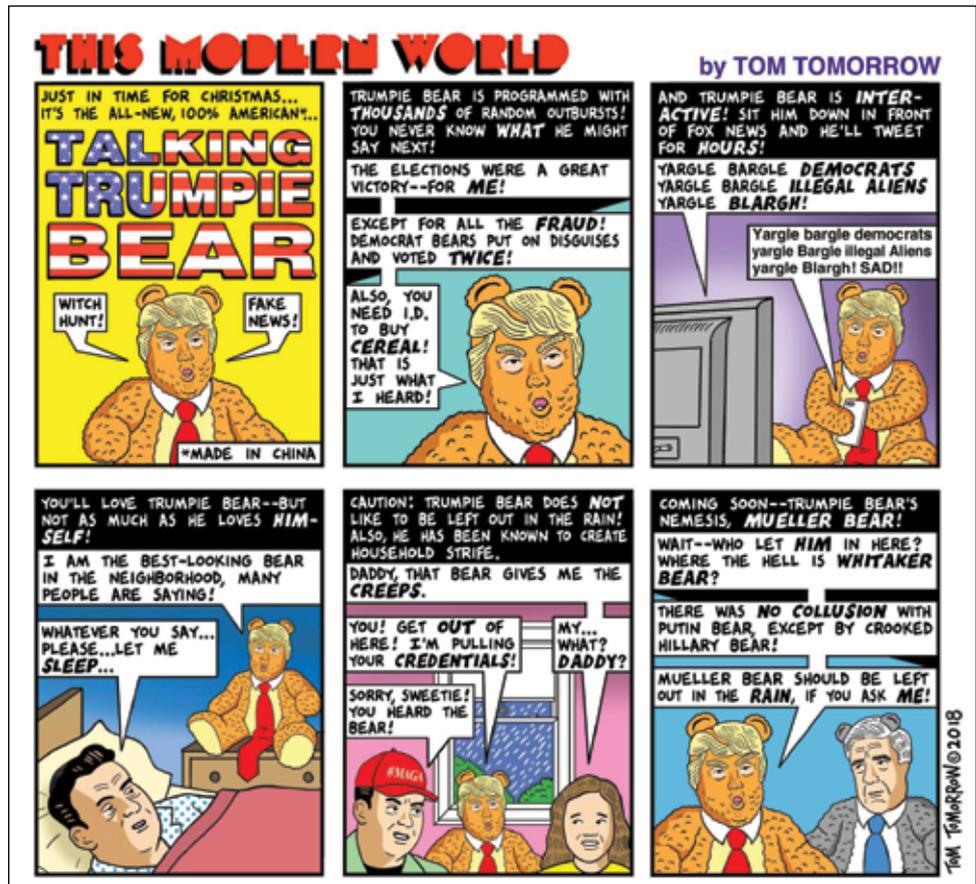
The solution is not easy or simple. If you read any of the books that detail this country's struggle for independence, the men who otherwise could have lived very comfortable lives gave all that up to establish a free republic. A government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

While voting is important, it is necessary to remain vigilant that government is not the master but the servant, and that elected officials are user-serviceable parts. Put down that game controller and

call, email, and attend public meetings. He or she may not have been your candidate, but they're now your representative. You know what they say about squeaky wheels. Don't let your children inherit a totalitarian government because it was too hard to preserve freedom. You don't know what hard is.

Jan Lipski  
 Vandenberg Village

## LETTERS



# Vape in my eyes

We only have one rule at my family's Thanksgiving table, and it's got nothing to do with political conversations. No vaping!



All my middle school- and high school-aged extended family who are too old to sit at the kids' table can hardly serve themselves cranberry sauce without puffing out a giant plume of vapor right in grandma's face. Now I know how local teachers must feel—I used to police kids playing with their phones at the dinner table, but now they're sneaking hits off a JUUL e-cigarette instead.

The spread of electronic cigarette use has skyrocketed among teens across the country, and Santa Barbara County is no exception (see page 8). State and local surveys show that students are way more likely to have tried vaping or vape on the regular than they were to try cigarettes just a few years ago. Parents are finding flavored e-juce cartridges and vaporizers in their kids' cars, teachers see widespread student use on campuses, and resource deputies with the Sheriff's Office confiscate the devices from kids all the time.

What's the reason for this? Didn't we beat childhood tobacco use with a generation of "just say no" PSAs and public health campaigns about lung cancer? What changed? Oh, I forgot, they now put LEDs in the cigarettes!

I know I'm being glib (and around the holidays at that), but I would have hoped lawmakers were more on the ball to close up some of the legal loopholes that vape manufacturers have taken advantage of.

Companies like JUUL have completely disrupted the tobacco industry in a matter of a few short years, but they've also undone decades of work by educators and agencies who've spread information on the harmful properties of tobacco and nicotine addiction. A whole new generation of kids is "lighting up" now, without all the fire and smoke, but with the same addictive compounds and some new chemicals, too.

And plenty of these products are clearly geared toward kids. One brand is called "Juicy AF" and comes in a colorful boxes. What happened to the days of the Marlboro Man?

Calls from parents, teachers, administrators, and law enforcement were seemingly answered when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced it would ban the in-store sale of flavored vapes as part of a larger crackdown to get young people off of nicotine. They even banned menthol flavored cigarettes for good measure.

It's easy to forget that the tobacco industry has preyed on young consumers for most of its history, finding ways to not just get youth hooked on their products, but also create a cultural allure around lighting up. And let's not forget all the politicians who've allowed those companies to get away with it, keeping their mouths shut for political contributions. That's why elections like the one we just had are important, folks, if you want to see something done about widespread issues like this.

I just hope the partisan rancor in Washington won't keep back progress on this. That's why it doesn't ruffle my feathers at all to say I'm glad President Donald Trump's FDA is doing something about the problem, giving some form of relief to all the parents nationwide worried that their kids have easy access to an addictive substance.

There's a bipartisan conversation you can have at Thanksgiving—just remember, no vaping! ○

The Canary can smell an e-cigarette a mile away. Send your thoughts to canary@santamariasun.com.

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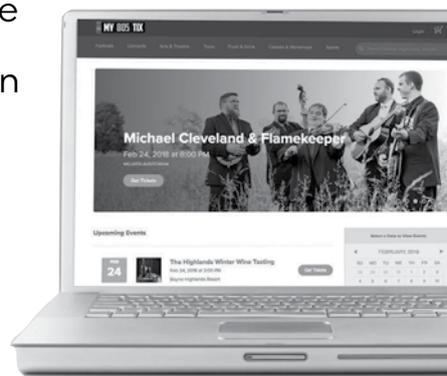
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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### LOMPOC/VANDENBERG

**DINING IN THE DARK: SHINING A LIGHT ON RECOVERY** This fundraising event includes dinner, a live and silent auction, a raffle, and more. Proceeds benefit Ladies Recovery 4 Life. **Dec. 1**, 5 p.m. \$75. ladies-recovery-4-life.org/. Hilton Garden Inn, 1201 N. H St., Lompoc, 805-735-1880.

**SHOP LOMPOC SHOP SMALL** More than 30 Lompoc businesses will be participating with special promotions and sales including gift shops, wineries, restaurants, retail stores, florists, jewelers, and more. **Nov. 24** 805-736-4567. Old Town Lompoc, 100 South H St., Lompoc.

### SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS

**HICAP PRESENTATION** HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program) sponsors this seminar for people interested in a better understanding of Medicare. **Nov. 26**, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Casa Grande, 519 W Taylor St., Santa Maria, 805-868-2119.

**MARS INSIGHT LANDING EVENT** Children and their families can view the landing of NASA's InSight on Mars live through the Vandenberg Launch Experience. Guests can also enjoy building a mini lander, learning about shock absorption with a Jell-O experiment, and more. **Nov. 26**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$6 per person. 805-928-8414. smvdiscoverymuseum.org. Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum, 705 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria.

**UGLY SWEATER SATURDAY** **Nov. 24** 805-361-0802. That's FETCH, 3564 Skyway Dr., Suite B, Santa Maria, thatsfetch805.com.

### SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY

**FIN'S GIVING TUESDAY: DINNER FOR A CAUSE** Enjoy a special menu of tri-tip or vegetarian pasta alfredo with salad, vegetables, mashed potatoes, and rolls. Includes a non-alcoholic drink. 100% of proceeds benefit 5Cities Homeless Coalition. **Nov. 27**, 5-9 p.m. \$25. 805-574-1638. 5chc.org/fundraisers. Fin's Restaurant, 25 W. Grand Ave., Grover Beach.

**TOURS FOR PADDLERS** A special tour for visitors who come by ocean. Paddlers will need to clean sand from their feet and dry themselves before the tour so not to damage the antique flooring. Saturdays, 10-10:45 a.m. \$6.49. 805-540-5771. Point San Luis Lighthouse, 1 Lighthouse Rd., Avila Beach.



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**CENTRAL COAST AVIATORS: AUTHOR EVENT WITH JIM GREGORY** An informative presentation by local author and historian Jim Gregory, who will discuss his latest book *Central Coast Aviators*. Books will be available for sale after the event. **Nov. 24**, 2-3 p.m. Free. 805-781-4187. San Luis Obispo Library, 995 Palm St., San Luis Obispo.

**ECOWATCH! MOVIE NIGHTS** Films range in topics of environmental conditions and opportunities, the global village, and local healthy communities. **Nov. 29**, 6-9 p.m. Free. 805-543-9900. slogreengoods.com. Green Goods, 111 South St., San Luis Obispo.

**SLOMA CURATED CRAFT BOUTIQUE** Shop for handmade gifts. Featured artists are Alice Sennett, Barry Lundgren, David Gurney, Dianna Draz, Elena Mary Siff, Jim Valentine, Kathleen DePalma, Kathy Briles, Kathy Friend, Kenny Standhardt, Larry LeBrane, Linda Lewis, Michael Rhode, Priscilla Beadle, Randy Stromsoe, Roseann Martin, Sharon Harris, and Zelma Rose. **Nov. 28-Dec. 30**, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission. 805-543-8562. sloma.org. San Luis Obispo Museum of Art, 1010 Broad St., San Luis Obispo.

## HOLIDAY EVENTS

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**GINGERBREAD WONDERLAND** Features gingerbread houses decorated by local artisans and students. **Dec. 1**, 4-8 p.m. 818-468-1971. losolivosca.com. St. Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church, 2901 Nojoqui Ave., Los Olivos.

**GOOD LIFE THANKSGIVING** The Good Life Craft Beer and Wine Cellar offers special Thanksgiving hours and Thanksgiving meal pairings. **Nov. 22**, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 805-688-7111. thegoodlifecellar.com. The Good Life, 1672 Mission Dr., Solvang.

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**LOS OLIVOS OFFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING** The tree is located near the flagpole. **Dec. 1**, 6 p.m. 818-468-1971. losolivosca.com. Lavinia Campbell Park, 2398 Alamo Pintado Ave., Los Olivos.

**LOS OLIVOS OLDE FASHIONED CHRISTMAS** Features arts and crafts, displays by local artisans, holiday activities and entertainment, and more. **Dec. 1**, 4-8 p.m. 818-468-1971. losolivosca.com. Town-wide, Participating locations, Los Olivos.

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### LOMPOC/VANDENBERG

**2018 LOMPOC VALLEY CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARADE** This year's theme is "Miracle on H Street". The parade route starts on H St. and finishes on S. I St. **Dec. 1**, 6 p.m. Free. 805-875-8100. explorelompop.com. Old Town Lompoc, 100 South H St., Lompoc.

**THANKSGIVING FEAST** The feast includes cold salads and toppings, a shrimp cocktail station, build-your-own pastas, a carving table, and desserts. **Nov. 22**, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. \$21.95-\$46.95; free for kids ages 5 and under. 805-430-7788. explorelompop.com. Hilton Garden Inn, 1201 N. H St., Lompoc.

**TREE LIGHTING IN CENTENNIAL PARK** Immediately follows the Children's Christmas Parade. Guests can enjoy hot cocoa and a visit with Santa. **Dec. 1**, 6:30 p.m. 805-875-8100. explorelompop.com. Old Town Lompoc, 100 South H St., Lompoc.

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**SANTA MARIA TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY** Enjoy the lighting of the tree on the corner of Cook and Broadway. Hosted by The People For Leisure And Youth, Inc. Includes a Christmas carol sing-along. **Dec. 1**, 4:30-6 p.m. [santamaria.com](http://santamaria.com). Town Center West, Broadway and Main, Santa Maria.

**SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY**

**52ND ANNUAL SOUTH COUNTY HOLIDAY PARADE** An old fashioned community parade. Parade will begin at the 16th St. and Grand Ave. intersection. **Dec. 1**, 10-11 a.m. Free. 805-473-4580. City of Grover Beach, 154 S 8th St., Grover Beach, groverbeach.org.

**PICKSANTA'S DOGGIE PARADE** This year's parade participants will receive goodie bags donated by Petco (Arroyo Grande). All dogs must be registered by 10:45 a.m. the day of to enter costume contest. **Nov. 24**, 11 a.m.-noon \$5. 805-627-1997. [avilabeachcc.com](http://avilabeachcc.com). Avila Beach Promenade, 404 Front St., Avila Beach.

**SANTA'S WORKSHOP: FINE ART AND CRAFT FAIRE** Includes more than 40 artists and crafters offering handcrafted gifts. Santa will be present for visits. Live music provided by Critical Mass. **Dec. 1**, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 805-473-4580. Ramona Garden Park Center, 993 Ramona Ave., Grover Beach, groverbeach.org.

**VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** Showcasing Victorian-style decorations and refreshments created from authentic Victorian recipes. Period dress and hats are encouraged. **Nov. 29**, 4-7 p.m. 805-773-4854. Price Anniversary House, 100 Rancho Pismo Dr., Pismo Beach.

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** Bring your children to enjoy breakfast with Saint Nick. Includes crafts, photos with Santa, games, and more. **Dec. 1**, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Free. 805-544-1373. [sloucc.org](http://sloucc.org). United Church of Christ (Congregational) of San Luis Obispo, 11245 Los Osos Valley Rd., San Luis Obispo.

**DOWNTOWN MENORAH LIGHTING** The menorah is lit all eight nights of Hanukkah outside the Mission. **Dec. 2-9**, 5 p.m. Free. [jccslo.com](http://jccslo.com). Mission Plaza, 989 Chorro St, San Luis Obispo.

**GOBBLE WOBBLE FAMILY FUN RUN** Enjoy a 2.5K/5K run or walk. Bring in a non-perishable item for SLO Food Bank on the day of the event for a free child entry. **Nov. 22**, 9 a.m. \$5-\$20. 805-781-7305. [active.com/san-luis-obispo-ca](http://active.com/san-luis-obispo-ca). Laguna Lake Golf Course, 11175 Los Osos Valley Rd, San Luis Obispo.

**HANUKKAH DOWNTOWN** Includes a free community party the first night which features menorah making, dreidel spinning, carousel, treats, and more. Presented by JCC Federation of SLO. **Dec. 2-9**, 5 p.m. Free. [jccslo.com](http://jccslo.com). Mission Plaza, 989 Chorro St, San Luis Obispo.

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**BREADWINNER**

*St. Mark's-In-The-Valley Episcopal Church hosts Gingerbread Wonderland on Dec. 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. Guests can enjoy viewing gingerbread houses created by local artisans and students. The church is located at 2901 Nojoqui Ave., Los Olivos. More info: (818) 468-1971 or [losolivosca.com](http://losolivosca.com).*

**HOLIDAY TREASURES BOUTIQUE** Members present this boutique which features vintage finds, home decor, jewelry, handcrafted art, functional gifts, and more. Refreshments will be served. **Dec. 2**, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. 805-541-0594. [themondayclubslslo.org](http://themondayclubslslo.org). The Monday Club, 1815 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo.

**HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING** Ceremony includes caroling and hot chocolate. **Nov. 26**, 5-7 p.m. [downtownslo.com](http://downtownslo.com). Mission Plaza, 989 Chorro St, San Luis Obispo.

**SANTA CLAUS'S ARRIVAL** Santa Claus will arrive in SLO on the Pacific Surfliner. Children can greet him at the station and walk together over to the nearby SLO Railroad Museum for photos and more. **Dec. 1**, 2:30 p.m. [slorrm.com](http://slorrm.com). San Luis Obispo Railroad Museum, 1940 Santa Barbara Ave, San Luis Obispo, (805) 548-1894.

**SANTA'S HOUSE IN MISSION PLAZA** Children who visit Santa receive a complimentary activity book, toy, and candy cane. **Nov. 23-Dec. 24** \$5-\$8 for photos. [downtownslo.com](http://downtownslo.com). Mission Plaza, 989 Chorro St, San Luis Obispo.

**ARTS**

**CLASSES & WORKSHOPS**

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**BALLROOM, LATIN, AND SWING LESSONS** Marie King and Kings of Swing offer dance lessons for all ages and skill levels. Couples and singles welcome. Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$36 for 4-week session. 805-928-7799. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt.

**BASIC WATERCOLOR** No experience required. Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. \$8. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**BEADING WORKSHOP** Thursdays, noon [oasisorcutt.org](http://oasisorcutt.org). Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**COUNTRY TWO STEP DANCE LESSONS** From the basics to a variety of patterns. Dancers of all skill levels welcome. Thursdays, 6:15-7 p.m. \$8. 805-680-5695. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt.

**CREATIVE ART TUESDAYS** Meet other artists and support and critique others' works. Tuesdays, 1-4 p.m. \$1. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**EVERYBODY CAN DANCE** Ballet workout classes for teens and adults. Tuesdays, 6 p.m. [everybodycandance.webs.com](http://everybodycandance.webs.com). Everybody Can Dance, 628 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-937-6753.

**INDIVIDUAL PAINTERS** No instructor. Fridays, 9 a.m.-noon \$1. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**INTRODUCTORY BALLET 1** Tuesdays, 5 p.m. [everybodycandance.webs.com](http://everybodycandance.webs.com). Everybody Can Dance, 628 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-937-6753.

**INTRODUCTORY BALLET 2** Wednesdays, 6 p.m. and Fridays [everybodycandance.webs.com](http://everybodycandance.webs.com). Everybody Can Dance, 628 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-937-6753.

**INTRODUCTORY BALLET 3** Wednesdays, 6 p.m. [everybodycandance.webs.com](http://everybodycandance.webs.com). Everybody Can Dance, 628 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-937-6753.

**LATIN DANCE CLASS: SALSA, BACHATA, AND MORE** Instructors and styles vary from week to week. Thursdays, 8-10 p.m. \$10. [facebook.com/dancingamor](http://facebook.com/dancingamor). Everybody Can Dance, 628 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-937-6753.

**MUSIC LESSONS** Offering private and classroom lessons. ongoing 805-925-0464. Coelho Academy of Music, 325 E. Betteravia Road, Santa Maria.

**SALSA DANCE CLASS** No partner or experience needed. Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m. Free. 805-937-1574. CentralCoastSwingDance.com. Old Town Brew, 338 W. Tefft St, Nipomo.

**SWING, BALLROOM, AND LATIN DANCE CLASSES** Hosted by the Kings of Swing. All skill levels welcome (adults). Couples and singles welcome. Pre-registration recommended. Thursdays, 7-8 p.m. \$45. 805-928-7799. Adkins Dance Center, 1110 E. Clark Ave., Santa Maria.

**UKULELE CLASS** Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**WEST COAST SWING CLASS** No partner or experience needed. Mondays, 7-9 p.m. Free. 805-937-1574. CentralCoastSwingDance.com. Old Town Brew, 338 W. Tefft St, Nipomo.

**SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY**

**OPEN STUDIO FOR HOMESCHOOLED CHILDREN** Includes drawing, painting, sewing, weaving, mixed media, printmaking, and 3-dimensional building in a safe, non-competitive environment. Fridays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. \$15 per hour. 805-668-2125. LiIA Creative Community, 1147 East Grand Ave. Suite 101, Arroyo Grande, liia.community.

**PLAY EXPLORE CREATE 2** Includes drawing, pastel, watercolor, tempera, collage, printmaking, sewing, and building. Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9-10:30 a.m. & 1:30-3 p.m. \$20 for one day; \$35 for two. 805-668-2125. liia.community. LiIA Creative Community, 1147 East Grand Ave. Suite 101, Arroyo Grande.

**SOUND CIRCLE** For those who have always wanted to play music, but believe they are "non-musical". All levels of experience are welcome. Featuring easy-to-use hand pan drums. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. through Dec. 5 \$75 (for 6 classes). 805-710-9808. [luciamarschools.asaconnected.com/](http://luciamarschools.asaconnected.com/). Branch Mill Organic Farm & Retreat Center, 2815 Branch Mill Rd., Arroyo Grande.

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**

**ADULT POTTERY CLASSES** Enjoy using clay to create handmade pottery. Tuesdays-Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Tuesdays-Saturdays, 6-8 p.m. through Dec. 20 \$50 for 2 classes. 805-896-6197. [anamcre.com](http://anamcre.com). Anam Cre Pottery Studio, 1243 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo.

**AFTER SCHOOL POTTERY** Kids can come and learn to sculpt, hand build, and throw on the wheel. 2 sessions are needed to complete the pottery. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays. through Jan. 1 \$50 for 2 sessions. 805-896-6197. [anamcre.com](http://anamcre.com). Anam Cre Pottery Studio, 1243 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo.

**CABARET SINGING AND PERFORMANCE CLASS** Learn the art of singing in a Cabaret style and setting. Find your key and style with a skilled accompanist. You may start anytime during the semester. Wednesdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$185 for 12 week class or \$20 per night as a drop-in student. 805-772-2812. [cuesta.edu/communityprograms](http://cuesta.edu/communityprograms). Cuesta College Community Programs, Highway 1, San Luis Obispo.

**DATE NIGHT POTTERY** Guests can enjoy sharing wine, throwing pots on the wheel, and more. Fridays, Saturdays, 6-8 p.m. \$30 per person. 805-896-6197. Anam Cre Pottery Studio, 1243 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo, [anamcre.com](http://anamcre.com).

**FILM AND TV ACTING CLASSES** Film and TV acting classes for all ages and skill levels. Offers optional showcases for major Hollywood talent agents and casting directors. Sundays, 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m. \$165-\$175. 310-910-1228. [actorsedge.com](http://actorsedge.com). Mission Cinemas, 1025 Monterey St., SLO.

**INTRO TO IMPROV** Learn the fundamentals of improvising as an ensemble. Build acting technique, practice teamwork skills, and gain confidence while playing theater and improv games. No class on Nov. 21. Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. through Dec. 5 \$225. [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com). Tigerlily



**HOLIDAY PLAY**

*The Great American Melodrama presents its annual Holiday Extravaganza through Dec. 31. The production includes a retelling of A Christmas Carol, a fractured fairy tale opera, and more. Tickets range from \$24 to \$30. The Melodrama is located at 1863 Front St., Oceano. More info: [americanmelodrama.com](http://americanmelodrama.com).*

Salon Studio, 659 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo, 805-541-9911.

**NANOWRIMO WORKSHOP WITH JENNA ELIZABETH JOHNSON** A writing session facilitated by local author Jenna Elizabeth Johnson, award-winning writer of the Oescienne series and the Otherworld series. **Nov. 28**, 5:30-7 p.m. Free. 805-781-4187. San Luis Obispo Library, 995 Palm St., San Luis Obispo.

**PACIFIC HORIZON CHORUS WELCOMES WOMEN SINGERS** Visit site or come by in person to see if these music lessons are right for you. Tuesdays, 6:30-9 p.m. 805-441-1405. [pacifichorizon.org](http://pacifichorizon.org). SLO United Methodist Church, 1515 Fredericks St., San Luis Obispo.

**PINE NEEDLE BASKET WEAVING CLASS** Explore the art of pine needle basket weaving. Guests are asked to bring their own scissors and lunch. All other materials are provided. **Dec. 1**, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. \$100 members; \$130 general. 805-541-1400 x 303. [slobg.org](http://slobg.org). San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, 3450 Dairy Creek Rd., San Luis Obispo.

**SUCCULENT HOLIDAY TREE** Add local succulents to a sphagnum moss tree to create a centerpiece. All materials, including a care sheet, provided. **Nov. 27**, 6-8 p.m. \$62. 805-549-1222. [creativemetime.com](http://creativemetime.com). San Luis Coastal Adult School, 1500 Lizzie St., San Luis Obispo.

**NORTH SLO COUNTY**

**ALCOHOL INK HOLIDAY PLAY TIME** Guests will use inks, alcohol, canned air, and other objects to get unusual effects on four coasters, five glass ornaments, and five dominoes. **Nov. 26**, 6-8 p.m. \$45. 805-237-3988. [creativemetime.com](http://creativemetime.com). Centennial Park, 600 Nickerson Dr., Paso Robles.

**WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP** Spruce up your home for the holidays while benefiting Special Olympics San Luis Obispo County. All ages welcome. **Dec. 1**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$35 per wreath. 805-544-6444. [sosc.org/sloc/wreathmakingparty](http://sosc.org/sloc/wreathmakingparty). Jack Creek Farms, 5000 Hwy 46 West, Templeton.

**SPECIAL ART EVENTS**

**SANTA YNEZ VALLEY**

**HOLIDAY ART SHOW** Art demos take place every Saturday. Artists include Dirk Foslief, Richard Myer, Mary Kay West, and Kieth Batcheller. Saturdays, 12-4 p.m. through Dec. 15 805-686-2322. [solvangantiques.com](http://solvangantiques.com). Solvang Antiques, 1693 Copenhagen Dr., Solvang.

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**BOUTIQUE Dec. 1,** 1-8 p.m. 818-468-1971. losolivosca.com. Santa Ynez Valley Grange Hall, 2374 Alamo Pintado, Los Olivos.

#### SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS

**SANTA BARBARA PRINTMAKERS JURIED EXHIBITION** Opening reception takes place Nov. 14 from 4 to 6 p.m. Through April 1, 2019 smartscouncil.org. Betteravia Gallery, 511 E. Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria.

#### SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY

**SOUTH COUNTY POETRY** An open mic follows each month's featured poet. Fourth Sunday of every month, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. 805-268-9216. CanDoJack.com. South County Poetry, St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church (annex), 301 Trinity Way off Traffic Way, Arroyo Grande.

**SOUTH COUNTY POETRY: LESLIE ST. JOHN** Includes snacks, a reading from St. John, an open mic session, and more. Guests are welcome to bring their own poems for the open mic. **Nov. 25,** 5:30 p.m. Free. 805-268-9216. candojack.com/socopo. St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 301 Trinity Way, Arroyo Grande.

#### SAN LUIS OBISPO

**JULIA MORGAN BUILDING TOUR** Member docents will guide you through our historic building and grounds. Tours may also be arranged by appointment. Mondays, 2-5 p.m. Free. 805-541-0594. themondayclubslslo.org. The Monday Club, 1815 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo.

## EXHIBITS

#### SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

**FELICE WILLAT: FEATURED ARTIST Dec. 1-Jan. 1** Gallery Los Olivos, 2920 Grand Ave., Los Olivos, 805-688-7517, gallerylosolivos.com.

**FOLDED ART: ORIGAMI ANIMALS** Featuring origami animals by artist Robert Salazar. In the Oak Gallery (second floor). **Through March 20,** 2019 Wildling Museum of Art and Nature, 1511-B Mission Dr., Solvang, 805-688-1082, wildlingmuseum.org.

**GIVENS, BELONI, AND KELLEHER** Featuring

works by artists Carrie Givens, Susan Beloni, and Renee Kelleher. **Through Dec. 1** Gallery Los Olivos, 2920 Grand Ave., Los Olivos, 805-688-7517, gallerylosolivos.com.

**NATURE ABSTRACTED** This exhibit is on display in the Barbara Goodall Education Center (third floor). In collaboration with the Santa Barbara based Abstract Art Collective. Features 29 works by 18 artists. **Through Feb. 4,** 2019 \$5. Wildling Museum of Art and Nature, 1511-B Mission Dr., Solvang, 805-688-1082, wildlingmuseum.org.

**NATURE IMAGINED** This exhibit celebrates nature through art by Cheryl Meadow, Ellen Jewett, and Hilary Brace. These artists used diverse materials and methods to create their works. Mondays, Wednesdays-Sundays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$5. 805-686-8315. wildlingmuseum.org. Wildling Museum of Art and Nature, 1511-B Mission Dr., Solvang.

**NATURE REGENERATED** Photographers were encouraged to capture examples of nature's ability to regenerate and thrive. This exhibit showcases winning entries in the Adult and Junior categories. ongoing Free. 805-686-8315. wildlingmuseum.org/photography-competition/. Wildling Museum of Art and Nature, 1511-B Mission Dr., Solvang.

#### PAVLOV GALLERY: FEATURED ARTISTS

Showcasing new collections on a weekly basis. Featured artists include Chris Pavlov, Iris Pavlov, Robert Hildebrand, Doug Picotte, and more. ongoing, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. 805-686-1080. pavlovgallery.com. Pavlov Art Gallery, 1608 Copenhagen Dr., Ste C, Solvang.

#### SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS

**FEATURED ARTIST: IRINA MALKMUS** This exhibit is one of a continuing series of shows to spotlight local art and artists. ongoing 805-938-9724. irinamalkmus.com. Ameriprise Financial, 2605 S Miller St., Suite 104, Santa Maria.

**JAN HOWARD: FEATURED ARTIST** Howard is the gallery's featured artist for the month of November. **Through Nov. 30** Valley Art Gallery, 125 W. Clark Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-2278, valleygallery.org.

#### SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY

**FROM ARTISTS, FOR ARTISTS, BY ARTISTS** Featuring fine art oils and pastels from Corynn Wolf, acrylics from Ryan Adams, and works from



## GRAND TOUR

*The Julefest Candlelight Tours are offered in downtown Solvang starting Dec. 1 and running through Dec. 22. The tours take place every Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. Guests meet at Solvang Park and are led by costumed tour guides. Each tour concludes with a hot cocoa and cookie reception with Santa Claus. Tickets are \$25. More info: solvangusa.com.*

various mediums by Marc Wolf ongoing Free. 805-773-6563. Puffers of Pismo, 781 Price St., Pismo Beach, puffersofpismo.com/.

**SHE SANG ME A GOOD LUCK SONG** A statewide traveling exhibit featuring the California Indian photographs of Dugan Aguilar. ongoing 415-525-1553. exhibitenvoy.org. DANA Adobe Cultural Center, 671 S. Oakglen Ave., Nipomo, 805-929-5679.

## STAGE

#### SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS

**PETER PAN** A family-friendly musical based on

the J.M. Barrie tale. **Through Dec. 23** \$33.50-\$50; discounts available. 805-922-8313. pcpa.org. Marian Theatre, 800 S. College Dr., Santa Maria.

#### SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY

**HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA** Includes *A Christmas Carol*, a fractured fairy tale opera, and more. Wednesdays-Sundays. **through Dec. 31** \$24-\$30. 805-489-2499. americanmelodrama.com. Great American Melodrama, 1863 Front St., Oceano.

**THE NUTCRACKER** Presented by Everybody Can Dance and Santa Maria Civic Ballet. **Nov. 24,** 7 p.m.

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# THANK YOU SANTA MARIA VOTERS!



On behalf of your city government, we are so grateful to Santa Maria voters for strongly supporting Measure U 2018 in the November election. We listened to your local priorities about public safety and quality of life, then placed this measure on the ballot for you to decide. Thank you for understanding the vital need to support local essential services. We will continue to earn your trust by working diligently to ensure that your local tax dollars are used appropriately. Promises made, promises kept.

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and Nov. 25, 3 p.m. \$5-\$20. clarkcenter.org. Clark Center for the Performing Arts, 487 Fair Oaks Ave., Arroyo Grande, 805-489-9444.

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**

**A CHRISTMAS STORY** SLO Rep presents its annual adaptation of the holiday classic which follows Ralphie Parker and his quest for a genuine Red Ryder BB Gun. Wednesdays-Sundays, 7-9 p.m. and Saturdays, Sundays, 2-4 p.m. **through Dec. 23** \$20-\$39. 805-786-2400. slorep.org. San Luis Obispo Repertory Theatre, 888 Morro St., San Luis Obispo.



**CULTURE & LIFESTYLE**

**LECTURES & LEARNING**

**SANTA YNEZ VALLEY**

**ALMA ROSA PRESENTS WINE TALK WEDNESDAYS** An informational series that host speakers that discuss different aspects of the local wine industry. Fourth Wednesday of every month, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. 805-688-9090. almarosawinery.com. Alma Rosa Tasting Room, 181 C Industrial Way, Buellton.

**LOMPOC/VANDENBERG**

**COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER** The center is a food pantry offering nutritional classes. Wednesdays, 3-5 p.m. Free. 805-967-5741, Ext. 107. El Camino Community Center, W. Laurel Avenue and N. I Street, Lompoc.

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**BI-LINGO** Informal conversation to practice Spanish language skills for anyone with basic Spanish-speaking skills. Fourth Thursday of every month, 6-7 p.m. Free. Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, 805-925-0994.

**CLUBS & MEETINGS**

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** Tuesdays, 1 p.m. oasisorcutt.org. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**HI-WAY DRIVE-IN SWAP MEET** Come to the Hi-Way Drive-In for the Sunday Swap Meet. Sellers: \$20; Produce sellers: \$25; Buyers: \$2 car load. Sundays, 4:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 805-934-1582. Hi-Way Drive-In, 3170 Santa Maria Way, Santa Maria.

**RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT: MAH JONGG** Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. 805-922-2993. Elwin Mussell Senior Center, 510 Park Ave., Santa Maria.

**SANTA MARIA TOASTMASTERS WEEKLY MEETING** Toastmasters International is a worldwide nonprofit educational organization that empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Tuesdays, 6:30-8 p.m. 805-264-6722. santamaria.toastmastersclubs.org/. Toyota of Santa Maria, 700 E Beteravia Rd., Santa Maria.

**TRI CITY SOUND CHORUS OF SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL** Welcomes all women who are interested in learning about barbershop-style music singing and performing. Thursdays, 6:45-9:30 p.m. 805-736-7572. Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 4725 S. Bradley Road, Orcutt.

**TRIVIA NIGHT** Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Free. naughtyoak.com. Naughty Oak Brewing Co., 165 S Broadway St Ste 102, Orcutt, 805-287-9663.

**SOUTH COAST SLO COUNTY**

**NIPOMO SENIOR CENTER** The center is open five days a week; closed on weekends and holidays. Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 805-929-1615. Nipomo Senior Center, 200 E. Dana St., Nipomo.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**TRAUMA INFORMED PARENTING GROUP** A foster parent class presented by Calm. Tuesdays 805-965-2376. calm4kids.org. Church For Life, 3130 Skyway Dr., Suite 501, Santa Maria.

**CREATE & LEARN**

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**CARD MAKING** Tuesdays, 9 a.m. oasisorcutt.org. Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Orcutt, 805-937-9750.

**FALL MAKERSPACE** For participants to create, build, explore, use their imagination, and more. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Wednesdays, 4-6 p.m. through Nov. 28 Free. 805-925-0994. cityofsantamaria.org/city-government/departments/library. Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria.

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**KUNDALINI YOGA** Gentle yoga classes with a focus on meditation and chanting in the Kundalini Yoga (as taught by Yogi Bhajan). All levels of experience welcome. Thursdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. through Dec. 31 \$12 per class; \$40 for 4 classes. 626-864-4810. branchmillorganics.com/classes-offered/. Branch Mill Organic Farm & Retreat Center, 2815 Branch Mill Rd., Arroyo Grande.

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**BABYNAUTS STORY TIME** Story time for babies up to 12 months old and their caregivers. Fridays, 10-10:30 a.m. through Dec. 14 Free. 805-925-0994. Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria.

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**CUDDLY KITTENS STORY TIME** Story time for children ages 3 to 5 and their families. Wednesdays, 10:30-11 a.m. through Dec. 12 Free. 805-925-0994. Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria.

**HOMEWORK HELP** For grades K through 6. Mondays-Thursdays, 4-7 p.m. through June 6 Free. 805-925-0994. cityofsantamaria.org. Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria.

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**READALOUD** The Buellton Library presents ReadAloud, a play-reading group for adults, teens and children 9 and up. Fridays, 4-5 p.m. Free. 805-688-3115. Buellton Library, 140 W. Highway 246, Buellton.

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**INTUITIVE GUIDANCE** Sessions may include but are not limited to mediumship, psychic awareness, light journey work, and aura cleansings. Thursdays, 12-2 p.m. \$20 for 15 minutes. 937-271-5646. CovenTree: Books and Gifts, 722 E Main St., Santa Maria.

**MEDITATION CLASS: A STUDY OF TRADITION AND PRACTICE** With AnnKathleen, who has been meditating since 1992 when she was introduced to Transcendental Meditation from teacher Sri John Karuna. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. \$10-\$15. 805-598-1509. divining.weebly.com. Art of Alchemy, E. Orange St, Santa Maria.

**WISDOM READINGS** AnnKathleen uses tarot and oracle cards to guide participants to solutions that bring peace, happiness, and positive thinking. Fridays-Sundays, 1-5 p.m. \$60-\$100. 805-598-1509. Art of Alchemy, E. Orange St, Santa Maria, divining.weebly.com.

**WISDOM READINGS AT COVENTREE** AnnKathleen, the Mistress of Alchemy, uses tarot and oracle cards to guide participants to solutions that bring peace, happiness, and positive thinking. Every other Friday, 1-5 p.m. \$60-\$100. 805-598-1509. divining.weebly.com. CovenTree: Books and Gifts, 722 E Main St., Santa Maria.

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**YOUTH SERVICES** The City Church Central Coast holds youth services for junior high school students. Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Free. 805-929-8990. thecitycc.org. Faith Life Community Church, 726 W Tefft St, Nipomo.

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**GREEK NIGHT DINNER** During this interactive class, participants will learn about the history and culture of the meal. Menu: Spanakopita, Tabbouli, Kotopoula Stifado, and cheese pastry. Be prepared to stand and cook. **Nov. 28, 5:30-8:30 p.m.** \$50 per person, plus a \$10 material fee. 805-474-3756. adulted.luciamarschools.org. Arroyo Grande High School, 495 Valley Rd., Arroyo Grande. ☪

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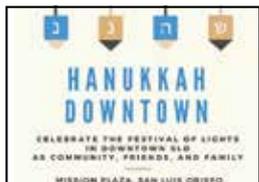
**Anne of Green Gables**  
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**SLO Blues Society: Earl Thomas**  
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**SLO Wind Orchestra: Make a Joyful Noise**  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1  
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**Hanukkah Downtown**  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2  
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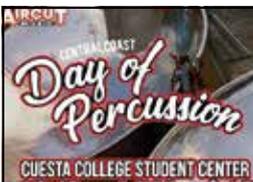
**Cuesta Jazz Ensembles**  
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**Winter Songs Concerts: Central Coast Youth Chorus**  
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United Methodist Church



**Christmas on the Trail 2018 Wine Passport**  
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**Central Coast Day of Percussion**  
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**The Bow Ties Bluegrass Band**  
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**Holiday Concert: Cuesta Choirs & Wind Ensemble**  
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**BRANDI ROSE LIVE** Genres include hip hop, blues, soul, and pop. No outside food or drinks allowed. **Nov. 24**, 1-4 p.m. Free. Cold Spring Tavern, 5995 Stagecoach Rd., Santa Barbara, 805-967-0066, coldspringtavern.com/entertainment.html.

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**FALCON HEAVY LIVE** **Nov. 25**, 1-5 p.m. Maverick Saloon, 3687 Sagunto St., Santa Ynez, 805-686-4785, mavericksaloon.org.

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**THE JOHN LYLE BAND LIVE** No outside food or drinks allowed. **Nov. 30**, 6-9 p.m. Free. Cold Spring Tavern, 5995 Stagecoach Rd., Santa Barbara, 805-967-0066, coldspringtavern.com/entertainment.html.

**LITTLE JONNY AND THE GIANTS LIVE** No outside food or drinks allowed. **Nov. 25**, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Cold Spring Tavern, 5995 Stagecoach Rd., Santa Barbara, 805-967-0066, coldspringtavern.com/entertainment.html.

**LIVE CHRISTMAS MUSIC IN THE PARK** Guests can enjoy live entertainment, food trucks, and more. **Dec. 1**, 6-8 p.m. 818-468-1971. losolivosca.com. Lavinia Campbell Park, 2398 Alamo Pintado Ave., Los Olivos.

**LIVE MUSIC ON THE PATIO** Local acts perform every Saturday. Saturdays, 5-8 p.m. Maverick Saloon, 3687 Sagunto St., Santa Ynez, 805-686-4785, mavericksaloon.org.

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## Thanks for the giving

*An instrument passed from one generation to another means something special*

BY JOE PAYNE

As long as I have been aware of and played guitars, those made by Martin Guitars have always caught my ears and eyes. My 90-year-old great aunt is the same way. Darlene Andreoli (I've always called her Aunt Dee) is the last living of my grandmother's siblings, and she studied guitar at Cuesta College in the late 1960s, learning with a cheap one she bought after saving up green stamps. There was a student in class who always sounded light-years ahead of everyone else, she said, and one day she approached him to offer a compliment.

"Finally I had the nerve to go up and say, 'Gosh, I just love to hear you ... you sound wonderful,'" she said. "And he says, 'It's not me, it's my guitar—it's a Martin.'"

"And that was the beginning of my hankering for a Martin," she added, "because I thought, 'Anything that can make me sound that good, I want it!'"

PHOTO BY JOE PAYNE



**HISTORIC HEIRLOOM:** Martin Guitars made the 00-21 model from the late 1800s all the way until the 1990s. The one I received from my great aunt was built in 1970 when her husband ordered it new.



**KEEP IT IN THE FAMILY:** My great aunt, Darlene Andreoli, pictured left, gave me her Martin guitar (right), which I performed with at her 90th birthday party this year.

Pretty soon, my great uncle, Andy Andreoli, learned of her hankering for a Martin as well.

She saw one hanging from the wall in a second-hand store. It was only \$35 at the time because it had a hole in the side, she explained. My Uncle Andy, longtime truck driver and World War II Air Force veteran, went to check it out.

"He came back and he said, 'I don't think so babe, you don't want a guitar with a hole in it,'" she said. "I thought, 'How cruel!' I never thought he would be so mean and not let me have that because I really wanted it."

But when Christmas came around that year, there was a "great big package underneath the tree."

Beneath all the wrapping paper was a brand new Martin 00-21. "I opened it and I think I just about tackled him," she said. "I just couldn't believe it. He had gone out and ordered one."

That style of Martin is beloved by a century of artists, from fingerpicking aficionados to flatpicking folk singers like Bob Dylan.

The guitar's serial number says it's from 1970. It cost around \$600 at the time, Aunt Dee said.

"I had never had anything so wonderful in my life," she added. "Just tuning it sounded good!"

Earlier this year I visited my Aunt Dee one day at her home in San Luis Obispo, and as soon as I got there she asked me to sit down.

"I have something for you," she said with a twinkle in her eye.

After she yanked a hard shell guitar case from a closet and set it in front of me, I began to understand. She was giving me her Martin.

It's hard to explain the feeling, getting a Martin guitar, period, let alone a vintage one. But this meant much more as a gift from family, becoming an heirloom in that instant. To say it was an emotional moment is an understatement.

Growing up on a SLO-area ranch as one of 11 siblings with my grandmother (my mother's mother), my Aunt Dee ended up being "adopted" by an aunt and uncle who lived in town. Her "Aunt Villa," she

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said, played guitar and sang. That love of music was passed down by several family members, she said, and so were a guitar (reportedly a gift from the king of Spain) and a mandolin that got handed down through the family, but not to her.

That's why, when she got her own prized instrument, my Aunt Dee took fantastic care of her guitar.

I took the Martin to my guitar guy right away—Gene Betts over at Owen's Music. He hardly had to touch the thing, but he changed the strings for me, buffed the body and neck, and dabbed the rosewood fretboard down with lemon oil.

I told him how the guitar came my way and he couldn't help but smile from ear to ear.

"That's the best way to get one of these," he said.

I had the new strings and everything done so the guitar would be ready for my Aunt Dee's birthday party in late September, when she turned 90. At a shady spot in Cuesta Park in SLO, she danced with her son Tony as I picked away tunes by Jim Croce, The Eagles, and The Beatles. We all sang songs like "Pretty Woman" and "Hey Good Looking" to her. And, of course, "Happy Birthday" when the candles were lit.

Well, now is the time of year when we celebrate, give gifts, and reflect with family on what we're thankful for. I'm incredibly grateful

for the guitar—it's also the most wonderful thing I've owned. But I think I'm most thankful for having family like my Aunt Dee, who celebrates with gifts, joy, and music all year round.

"I love it that you have it; I can't think of another person I'd rather have it than you," she told me. "I'm just so thrilled that you love music. It's wonderful, isn't it?" ○

*Managing Editor Joe Payne can't stop playing his Martin. Contact him at [jpayne@santamariasun.com](mailto:jpayne@santamariasun.com).*



**MEET MARTIN:** Martin Guitars began in 1833 and developed over generations of guitar makers into one of America's most beloved luthiers.

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**LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE** Nov. 29, 8 p.m. and Nov. 30, 8 p.m. Chumash Casino Resort, 3400 E. Highway 246, Santa Ynez, 800-248-6274, [chumashcasino.com/entertainment](http://chumashcasino.com/entertainment).

**NATE LATTA LIVE** Nov. 30, 8-11 p.m. Maverick Saloon, 3687 Sagunto St., Santa Ynez, 805-686-4785, [mavericksaloon.org](http://mavericksaloon.org).

**PULL THE TRIGGER LIVE** Nov. 24, 8 p.m. Maverick Saloon, 3687 Sagunto St., Santa Ynez, 805-686-4785, [mavericksaloon.org](http://mavericksaloon.org).

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**LOMPOC/VANDENBERG**

**HOLIDAY WALTZ** Presented by the Lompoc Pops

Orchestra. This concert is part of the orchestra's 22nd season, Shall We Dance? Dec. 2, 7 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 925 North F St., Lompoc.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS, MERRY CHRISTMAS** Presented by the Lompoc Valley Master Chorale. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 \$5-\$20. [lvmasterchorale.org](http://lvmasterchorale.org). First United Methodist Church, 925 North F St., Lompoc.

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**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

**ABOUT TIME LIVE** Genres include folk, blues, and country. Nov. 23, 4-6 p.m. Complimentary. Presqu'ile Winery, 5391 Presqu'ile Dr., Santa Maria, 805-937-8110, [presquilewine.com](http://presquilewine.com).

**ALL BAROQUE: CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS**

Presented by the Santa Maria Philharmonic Society. Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m. [smphilharmonic.org](http://smphilharmonic.org). Santa Maria First United Methodist Church, 311 S Broadway, Santa Maria, 925-9573.

**BILL WOODS LIVE** Nov. 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Moxie Cafe, 1317 W. McCoy Ln., Santa Maria, 805-361-2900, [moxiecafe.com](http://moxiecafe.com).

**HANCOCK CONCERT BAND: CHRISTMAS CONCERT** The Allan Hancock College Concert Band will perform their annual Christmas Concert. Nov. 30, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. 805-929-0552. First Baptist Church, 2970 Santa Maria Way, Santa Maria.

**JOELLE CASTILLO LIVE** Nov. 24, 5-8 p.m. Free. Moxie Cafe, 1317 W. McCoy Ln., Santa Maria, 805-361-2900, [moxiecafe.com](http://moxiecafe.com).

**LIV AND ROB LIVE** Featuring Livia Signorelli and Robin Crisp. Genres include country, classic rock,

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and current pop. **Nov. 30**, 4-6 p.m. Complimentary. Presqu'ile Winery, 5391 Presqu'ile Dr., Santa Maria, 805-937-8110, presquilewine.com.

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**SUN DRAGON DUO LIVE Nov. 23**, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Moxie Cafe, 1317 W. McCoy Ln., Santa Maria, 805-361-2900, moxiecafe.com.

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**THE WAVEBREAKERS BAND LIVE** Covering hits from the 1950s to the 1980s. **Nov. 30**, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. 805-361-2900. moxiecafe.com/. Moxie Cafe, 1317 W. McCoy Ln., Santa Maria.

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**HOLIDAY CONCERT WITH CENTRAL COAST YOUTH CHORUS** Enjoy the sounds of the holiday season from this local children's musical group, formerly known as the Central Coast Children's

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**TIMELY TUNES**

Presqu'ile Winery presents About Time on Nov. 23 from 4 to 6 p.m. This duo performs classic folk, blues, and country. Admission is complimentary. The winery is located at 5391 Presqu'ile Drive, Santa Maria. More info: (805) 937-8110 or presquilewine.com.

Choir. All ages welcome. **Dec. 1**, 2-3 p.m. Free. 805-473-7161. slolibrary.org. Arroyo Grande Library, 800 W. Branch, Arroyo Grande.

**LIDO LIVE** Live music at Lido at Dolphin Bay. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, 5-8 p.m. Free. 805-773-8900. thedolphinbay.com/lido. Lido Restaurant at Dolphin Bay, 2727 Shell Beach Rd., Pismo Beach.

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**SIDE EFFECTS** Tuesdays Free. 805-773-6563. puffersofpismo.com. Puffers of Pismo, 781 Price St., Pismo Beach.

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**CAL POLY INSTRUMENTAL STUDENT RECITAL** A free recital presented by Cal Poly Music Department student instrumentalists. **Nov. 29**, 11 a.m.-noon Free admission; campus parking enforced. 805-756-2406. music.calpoly.edu/calendar/. Cal Poly Davidson Music Center, Room 218, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

**THE GARY DOUGLAS BAND LIVE Nov. 29**, 8-11 p.m. \$27. 805-546-8600. fremontslo.com/lonely-boys. The Fremont Theater, 1035 Monterey St., San Luis Obispo.

**LOREN RADIS LIVE** A Central Coast native who has loved writing and performing music since he first heard the Beatles at age 10. His blend of acoustic/rock music has been compared to artists like Simon & Garfunkel, Iron & Wine, and Damien Rice. **Nov. 30**, 6-8 p.m. Free. 805-868-7133. 7SistersBrewing.com. 7Sisters Brewing Company, 181 Tank Farm Rd. Suite 110, San Luis Obispo.

**P-LO LIVE** Bay area-based hip hop artist. Featuring opening support from ALLBLAC. **Nov. 29**, 7-11 p.m. ticketweb.com. SLO Brew Rock, 855 Aerovista Pl., San Luis Obispo, 209-417-7748.

**ROY ZIMMERMAN LIVE** Roy's satirical songs, praised by Joni Mitchell and Weird Al Yankovic, have been heard on HBO and Showtime. Portland-based duo Fox and Bones will open **Nov. 29**, 6:30-9 p.m. \$17. 805-868-7133. 7Sisters Brewing Company, 181 Tank Farm Rd. Suite 110, San Luis Obispo, 7SistersBrewing.com.

**SEASONS GREETINGS HOLIDAY CHORAL CONCERT** Presented by the SLO Vocal Arts Ensemble. **Dec. 1**, 8-10 p.m. \$10-\$40. Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa, 751 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, 781-8220, missionsanluisobispo.org/.

**SEASONS GREETINGS HOLIDAY CHORAL CONCERT** Presented by the SLO Vocal Arts Ensemble. **Dec. 2**, 3-5 p.m. \$10-\$40. Cuesta College Cultural and Performing Arts Center, Highway 1, San Luis Obispo, 805-546-3198, cuesta.edu.

**SLO WIND ORCHESTRA: MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE** Features Bach's Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 arranged for chamber winds, Maslanka's Mother Earth Fanfare and David Holsinger's On a Hymnsong of Phillip Bliss. **Dec. 1**, 7:30-10 p.m.



**JAMMIN' WITH JOHN**

Cold Spring Tavern presents the John Lyle Band on Nov. 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. Admission is free. No outside food or drinks are allowed. The Tavern is located at 5995 Stagecoach Road., Santa Barbara. More info: (805) 967-0066 or coldspringtavern.com.

\$10-\$30. 805-546-3198. Cuesta College Cultural and Performing Arts Center, Highway 1, San Luis Obispo, cuesta.edu.

**THE TAPROOTS LIVE** The Taproots perform a blend of original contemporary Americana music, incorporating rock, folk, and jazz influences, and unique renditions of cover tunes. **Nov. 24**, 6-8 p.m. Free. 805-868-7133. 7SistersBrewing.com. 7Sisters Brewing Company, 181 Tank Farm Rd. Suite 110, San Luis Obispo.

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**SANTA YNEZ VALLEY**

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**FRONT ROW KARAOKE** Thursdays, 9 p.m. 773-1010. Harry's Night Club And Beach Bar, 690 Cypress St., Pismo Beach, harryspismo.com.

**JAWZ KARAOKE** Thursdays, 9 p.m. Harry's Night Club And Beach Bar, 690 Cypress St., Pismo Beach, 805-773-1010, harryspismo.com.

**KARAOKE WITH DJ SAM** Sundays Mongo's Saloon, 359 W. Grand Ave., Grover Beach, 805-489-3639.

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**KARAOKE NIGHT SUNDAYS AT BUFFALO PUB AND GRILL** Sundays, 8 p.m. Free. 805-544-5155. Buffalo Pub And Grill, 717 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo.

**OPEN MIC NIGHT AT 7SISTERS** For musicians, poets, and comedians. Family-friendly. Performers get a free beer. Sundays, 6-8 p.m. Free. 805-868-7133. 7sistersbrewing.com/calendar. 7Sisters Brewing Company, 181 Tank Farm Rd. Suite 110, San Luis Obispo.

**OPEN MIC NIGHT AT KREUZBERG** Wednesdays Free. 805-439-2060. kreuzbergcalifornia.com. Kreuzberg Coffee Company, 685 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo. ○

**DJ/DANCE**

**SANTA YNEZ VALLEY**

**KRAZY COUNTRY HONKY-TONK THURSDAY** Thursdays, 6 p.m. Maverick Saloon, 3687 Sagunto St., Santa Ynez, 805-686-4785, mavericksaloon.org.

**LOMPOC/VANDENBERG**

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**SANTA MARIA VALLEY/LOS ALAMOS**

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**DJ CAMOTE** Thursdays, 5 p.m. Harry's Night Club And Beach Bar, 690 Cypress St., Pismo Beach, 805-773-1010, harryspismo.com.

**DJ DRUMZ AT MONGO'S** Fridays Free. 805-489-3639. mongosaloon.com. Mongo's Saloon, 359 W. Grand Ave., Grover Beach.

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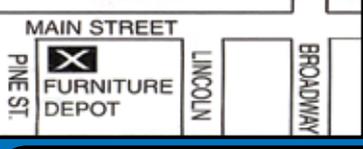
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## Arts Briefs

### Lompoc Pops dedicates upcoming concert to Alice McGonigal

The Lompoc Pops Orchestra will honor longtime flutist Alice McGonigal, who passed away in late August, at its upcoming holiday concert on Dec. 2.

McGonigal served as the principal flute for the Lompoc Pops, and was a member of the flute sections of the Santa Maria Philharmonic Orchestra and the San Luis Obispo Symphony. She was also a founding member of the Lompoc Pops, according to Connie Barlow, the organization's publicity person.

"She was an extremely talented and well trained musician who also played the piccolo, fife, Irish-folk flute, and guitar in addition to some viola and cello," Barlow told the *Sun* via email. "She left an indelible and positive impression on the artistic climate of the Central Coast and will, indeed, be sorely missed."

The orchestra's upcoming holiday concert will be dedicated to McGonigal, and honor her longtime contributions to the organization and the Central Coast music community. The program at the concert will include seasonal classics like "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" and "The Christmas Song," but will also delve into "Song of Chanukah" and favorites from "A Charlie Brown Christmas."

The Lompoc Pops Orchestra will perform the program with Maestro Brian Asher-Alhadeff on Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 925 North F St., Lompoc. Cost is \$20, \$5 for full-time students. More information is available at (805) 735-6463.

### Ladies Recovery holds Dining in the Dark fundraiser

The Ladies Recovery 4 Life organization in Lompoc presents a special fundraiser event, Dining in the Dark, featuring a full dinner, reception, and auctions on Dec. 1 at the Hilton Garden.

The event begins at 5 p.m. and continues into dinner at 6 p.m., when diners will wear masks and will eat with assistance. The menu includes prime rib, rice pilaf, carrots, local baby spring mix salad, and chocolate raspberry cheesecake.

The fundraiser will also include live and silent auctions and raffles after dinner. More information is available at ladies-recovery-4-life.org or (805) 717-3300.

### Santa Ynez Scarecrow Fest names winner

The Santa Ynez Valley Scarecrow Festival celebrated with its Harvest Cup event at the Solvang Festival Theater on Nov. 15, and named the winner of the annual festival.

The competition saw businesses and residents in Solvang, Santa Ynez, Buellton, Ballard, Los Olivos, and Los Alamos set up scarecrow displays in storefronts and other areas. Locals then voted on their favorites across October.

The winning display was by The Landsby and Mad & Vin, an inn and restaurant in Solvang. The business will hold the trophy until the 2019 Scarecrow Festival, when the competition begins again.

More information is available at syvscarecrows.com. ○

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Arts Briefs was compiled by Managing Editor Joe Payne this week. Send information to [rose@santamariasun.com](mailto:rose@santamariasun.com).

## Upcycled style

Orcutt artists Lynnae Lane and Danny George combine skills for artsy outdoor project

BY JOE PAYNE

When longtime children's art teacher Lynnae Lane moved to Orcutt from the Fresno area earlier this year, something caught her eye immediately.

It was at JJ's Market, a display incorporating cactus and birdhouses along the side of the market, which she said was "an amazing, eclectic collage."

"That just grabbed my attention," Lane said. "I thought, 'I would really love to meet the person who did this.'"

Later, at a live music event, she met Danny George, a longtime Orcutt resident, landscaper, and sometimes beautifier of public spaces in Orcutt.

George has spruced up a few areas in Orcutt over the years, he told the *Sun*, including an artsy truck at the Loading Dock and some of the planters around town. Another project was right across Gary Street from the Old Town Market, facing the road, where he did some basic landscaping and decorating.

"That was one of my little art, gardening projects that I do," he said. "But it wasn't of any remarkable note."

The display caught Lane's attention, she said, for the several window frames and shutters that George hung along the fence there.

The frames and other items are "upcycled," George said, from his landscaping clients who ask him to haul stuff away. Until Lane came around, the frames were all whitewashed. They're not anymore.

"First I said, 'It would be fun to do a project with you sometime,' because I love gardening as well," she said. "But then the idea popped up to add a five-color palette to the white window frames."

Inspired by an umbrella she saw, Lane wanted to bring the combination of colors together in the small yard-sized space. She got to work planning, even producing a rendering that plotted out how the colors would spread across the space.

For George, it was a breath of fresh air. He had never enjoyed collaboration for his beautification projects before, and Lane's art background was an inspiration, he said.

"I usually just go out there and slap it all together," he said. "I call them 'art attacks.' I just show up with some stuff and put them all together. It's the first time I've done one with anybody."

After they painted the window frames, they wanted more.

George upcycled an old wagon he found at the dump, filling it with planters of society garlic, and laying a flagstone down for the wagon to sit on. They also painted the several birdhouses assembled together, which they painted to create a colorful "birdhouse condominium" within the color scheme.



**SIMPLE GIFTS:** Danny George had already hung several window frames and shutters on the fence at Clark Avenue and Gary Street, all painted white. Lynnae Lane saw the assemblage as a chance to include more color in Old Orcutt's palette.



**PUTTING THEIR HEADS TOGETHER:** Orcutt art teacher Lynnae Lane (pictured left) and artist and landscaper Danny George (right) combined their skill sets to revamp a small side lot in Old Town Orcutt.

Lane teaches art in Orcutt schools, she said, and wanted to show students and locals alike how a simple art project can elevate a neighborhood.

"Hopefully it's inspiring," she said. "That is my job as an art teacher, is to inspire."

"I just recently moved here—I've been here eight months—and I've fallen in love with this community," she added. "It's such a sweet town, and it gave me the opportunity to do something special for the community I live in."

For George, who's been compelled to be creative for years, Lane's perspective has definitely spurred him to engage and do more. He said he's excited to start more projects with his newfound friend, who also likes to take part in some local "art attacks."

"It's the best one yet. It's kind of the focal point of the street now," he said. "I've lived here my whole life, and I've always wanted to live in a cool town, and I just thought, 'Well, how do you make a cool town but try and do something yourself?'" ○

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**YOUNG TALENT:** The Pacific Conservatory Theatre's (PCPA) production of *Peter Pan* features Chynna Walker (left) as Pan, the flying boy who whisks siblings Wendy, John, and Michael (Joss Robertson, right) off to the magical Never Never Land.

## Fairy-dusted fun

*Pacific Conservatory Theatre flies with family-friendly production of 'Peter Pan'*

BY JOE PAYNE

Every year the Pacific Conservatory Theatre (PCPA) reserves its holiday production for the big, colorful shows that attract families and groups of friends. And this year, they've sprinkled in some fairy dust.

The conservatory opened the production of Disney's musical rendition of *Peter Pan* in mid-November, and continues the high-flying show straight on till Dec. 23.

I enjoyed a recent matinee performance, which included many families with young kids. It was fun to see a show with youngsters, who all reacted with innocent surprise at special effects and pratfalls, but also to the young actors performing lead roles.

*Peter Pan* is part of Disney's classic canon, and the rendition PCPA is working with is the Tony Award-winning classic of 1954 that was created for actress Mary Martin to perform the title character. The tradition of casting the role of Pan with a female actor has continued ever since, including at PCPA, with Acting Intern Chynna Walker taking the title role.

The unassuming bedroom of Wendy (Madison Davis), John (Maddie Almaguer or Beck Mortensen), and Michael (Joss Robertson or Claire Guyader) Darling greets the audience in the Marian Theatre, as the children's mother, Mrs. Darling (Emily Trask), calls them all to bed. She also tells Mr. Darling (George Walker) of a strange boy she saw at the window and how she captured his shadow before they head out for the evening after singing the kids to sleep.

Ah, the simpler times, when your dog Nana (Whitney Bacon) could serve as a child care provider.

Pan makes his big entrance as the kids sleep, flying through their window and working desperately to find his lost shadow with the help of his glowing companion, the fairy Tinkerbell (Bacon). But when Pan breaks down after he's unable to re-attach his shadow, Wendy wakes up, and her first instinct is to help the clueless boy.

Chynna Walker nails the character with her

playful, carefree attitude. Peter Pan is the boy who never wanted to grow up, and so there's a certain disconnect between him and normalcy that the young intern captures well. She's also got some serious skills with the wire work, performing choreographed fight scenes, dance, and belting out the tunes while soaring over and around the stage and audience.

Once Pan teaches the Darling children to fly, it's off to Never Never Land! That's where George Walker comes back, but this time as the villainous Captain Hook, whose singular obsession is revenge against Pan for feeding his hand to a crocodile. Hook is joined by his pack of pirates, led by Smee (Amani Dorn), who are hell-bent on hunting down Pan and his gang of Lost Boys. The pirates also don't take kindly to the native girls led by Tiger Lily (Katie Fuchs-Wackowski).

The pirates, Tiger Lily's crew, and the Lost Boys are mostly made up of PCPA's ensemble actors, the students, who holler out with crow calls and hearty "args" with relish. There are multiple fight scenes and dance numbers peppered throughout the musical that allow everyone a chance to shine.

George Walker's Hook with Resident Artist Amani Dorn's Smee make up some of the comedic peaks of the show, with Dorn's great deadpan from under a false beard and the waxed-mustachioed antics of Hook. George Walker's Hook is hilarious, requiring a choreographed tarantella from his scurvy crew to help him devise a plan to destroy Pan, reminding of his past performance as the Pirate King in *The Pirates of Penzance*.

And when the two Walkers (no relation) come together as Pan versus Hook, the show really explodes with exciting magic. The youngsters in the audience were on the edge of their seats for the show's high-flying finale.

PCPA did a great job of breathing life into this play, which can feel a bit like a post-war relic with some of the subject matter and tunesmithing. And the vibrance and sense of wonder that was achieved by set designers, lighting crews, sound designers, and the wardrobe department was fantastic. The production gave a respectful nod to Disney's classic, but also sprinkled their own secret recipe fairy dust throughout the show. ○

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## Film Reviews

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### CREED II

What's it rated? **PG-13**  
Where's it showing? **Parks Plaza**  
**NEW** Steven Caple Jr. (*The Land*) directs this sequel about boxer Adonis Johnson (Michael B. Jordan), who, under trainer Rocky Balboa (Sylvester Stallone), takes on the son of Rocky's nemesis Ivan Drago (Dolph Lundgren), Viktor Drago (Florian Munteanu). (117 min.)  
—Glen Starkey

### FANTASTIC BEASTS: THE CRIMES OF GRINDELWALD

What's it rated? **PG-13**  
Where's it showing? **Movies Lompoc, Parks Plaza**  
See Sun Screen.

### THE GRINCH

What's it rated? **PG**  
What's it worth? **Matinee**  
Where's it showing? **Movies Lompoc**  
**PICK** Co-directors Yarrow Cheney (*The Secret Life of Pets*) and Scott Mosier helm this animated adaptation of the classic Dr. Seuss story, narrated by Pharrell Williams, about a grumpy curmudgeon, the Grinch (voiced by Benedict Cumberbatch), who plans to ruin Whoville's Christmas. Along the way, the Grinch encounters various inhabitants of the town including Cindy-Lou Who (Cameron Seely); her mother, Donna Who (Rashida Jones), and Mr. Bricklebaum (Kenan Thompson).  
Compared to both adaptations that came before it, this year's *Grinch* doesn't set the bar any higher. For me, few things in this world will ever top Jim Carrey's Grinch sitting alone in his cave, eating broken glass. ("Am I just eating because I'm bored?") But this one is still enjoyable enough in my opinion, and I think that will ring true for children and families especially. I definitely laughed more than I thought would, even without the glass eating. (86 min.)  
—Caleb Wisebold

### INSTANT FAMILY

What's it rated? **PG-13**  
What's it worth? **Full price**  
Where's it showing? **Parks Plaza**  
**PICK** Co-writer and director Sean Anders (*Horrible Bosses 2, Daddy's Home*) helms this story about Pete (Mark Wahlberg) and Ellie (Rose Byrne), who adopt three children, sending their lives into utter chaos. A well-intentioned dramedy, *Instant Family* explores the travails and triumphs of adoption.  
Originally, the couple meant to adopt one small child

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### SCORING

**FULL PRICE** ... It's worth the full price of an evening showing  
**MATINEE** ..... Save a few bucks, catch an afternoon showing  
**RENT IT** ..... It's worth a rental  
**STREAM IT** ..... Wait 'til Netflix has it  
**NOTHING** ..... Don't waste your time

## Not quite fantastic

**D**avid Yates (*Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, The Legend of Tarzan*) directs this J.K. Rowling screenplay, the second installment of the *Fantastic Beasts* series, about magizoologist Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne), who's enlisted by Albus Dumbledore (Jude Law) to recapture escaped evil wizard Gellert Grindelwald (Johnny Depp). (134 min.)

**Anna:** Magizoologist Newt Scamander is back with his briefcase of creatures and ragtag group of do-gooders, this time traipsing through London and Paris instead of New York. After being blamed for the destruction in New York where the first film ended, Newt is confined to London by authorities. While he continues to beg for travel rights, he won't go so far as to become an Auror alongside his brother, Theseus (Callum Turner), when offered the position as trade for what he wants. If you haven't seen or don't clearly remember the first *Fantastic Beasts* film, this one jumps in at a pretty steep learning curve, and would be—I imagine—both confusing and probably boring as *Crimes of Grindelwald* seems to assume its audience is up to speed. The Harry Potter universe and its ever-expanding storyline make for some magically wild rides, and I was pretty entertained by the first film in this timeline.

This rendition, however, didn't totally wow me. It is more focused on Grindelwald's (Depp) rise, a wizarding world pre-villain to Voldemort, one that we do somewhat get to know in the Harry Potter books because of his connection to Albus Dumbledore. Depp is an effective villain with shocking white hair and an interesting pair of eyes, but he fails to rise to the pure evil that Ralph Fiennes achieved in the first film series. I'm not too surprised—with the backstory of books read and re-read, he certainly had a lot of character already created for him. Besides the end goal of capturing Grindelwald, there are plenty of side stories going on—Jacob (Dan Folger) and Queenie (Alison Sudol) are a couple of lovers, outlawed from becoming bride and groom because Jacob is a no-maj. Credence (Ezra Miller) is in search of his birth mother and family history, tortured and tormented by his time with Mrs. Barebones. Newt still holds a candle for Tina (Katherine Watson); creatures are escaping from his case; and the world is in

peril once more. This one has a lot going on.

**Glen:** Thanks for explaining it for me, because I didn't know what the hell was going on during the first 30 minutes or so, and I was bored enough to doze off a few times in the theater's crazy-comfortable recliners. I saw the first *Fantastic Beasts* but didn't really remember the characters, which added to my confusion. I recently saw that the first film is currently available at Redbox. Maybe I should have done my homework. This new film does improve as it goes along, and the last third was pretty exciting as Grindelwald holds court with the wizarding world, trying to convince them they should run the world rather than let the no-maj or muggles or—good grief, does J.K. Rowling get paid extra for making up new words? Anyway, everything coalesces at the end into a big showdown between Grindelwald, Newt and his friends, and Theseus and his Ministry of Magic cohorts.

The only one missing is Dumbledore, who through flashback we discover had a special relationship with Grindelwald in their youth. I couldn't help but wonder if there was some gay subtext here, but it's not made clear. What this film really does is place all the pieces and players on the field of battle to tee up the next three installments, all to be directed by Yates, and scheduled for release in 2020, 2022, and 2024. I saw the Harry Potter series and thought it was pretty good, mainly because I liked the friendship between the three main characters, and it was amazing watching them grow up into young adults over the course of the many films. This series doesn't have the same depth, charm, or novelty. I may very well exit the *Fantastic Beasts* series right here.

**Anna:** I'm a Potterhead, no doubt. I've got a wand, and I happily craft Harry Potter themed projects. I've read the books countless times. I'll watch any of the movies if they are on cable, and own all of them if they aren't, but I need a fix. I get that this world can be a little



**DO YOU BELIEVE IN MAGIC?** Tina Goldstein (Katherine Watson, left) and Magizoologist Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne) team up to battle evil wizard Gellert Grindelwald.

mystifying for some, especially if you weren't in the right age group when the books came out. The complexity of the world Rowling has built is not without fault, though for the vastness it contains I'm pretty impressed with her consistency. I agree that the beginning of the film was a bit of a slog, and if you aren't head over heels for new content in this universe, *Crimes of Grindelwald* may well be a waste of your time. At two hours and 15 minutes, this isn't a quick trip into the land of magic. Some of the reveals are also less surprising if you're pretty familiar with the books. I knew of Grindelwald and Dumbledore's connection from long ago, which means some of that aha moment is lost. However, there are moments in there that seem pretty catered to die-hard fans—seeing alchemist Nicholas Flamel put a smile on my face. It is decidedly my least favorite film in the Harry Potter universe, and in my opinion falls quite short of its predecessor *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*. However, would I see it in theaters despite all that? Heck yes! My own blood oath to Rowling's work requires it. Potterheads, I recommend you hit a matinee of this one. Casual fans have no reason to spend extra; just wait for it to be available at home.

**Glen:** I have to agree. Nothing I say will dissuade hard-core fans from flocking to the theater. As for me, I'm just not connecting to this series as I did (in a small way) to the Harry Potter series. J.K. Rowling is an undeniable literary talent, and Yates is a competent big-budget director. I just don't connect with this storyline. ○

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but after meeting three siblings in need—including rebellious 15-year-old Lizzy (Isabela Moner)—they suddenly find themselves on a steep learning curve on how to parent three children they've only just met.

Based on director Anders' own experiences, the film also features an emotionally potent performance by Octavia Spencer and an excellent deadpan turn by comedian Tig Notaro. (119 min.)  
—Glen Starkey

THE NUTCRACKER AND THE FOUR REALMS

What's it rated? **PG**  
What's it worth? **Matinee**  
Where's it showing? **Hi-Way Drive-In**  
**PICK** Co-directors Lasse Hallström (*Chocolat*, *What's Eating Gilbert Grape*, *The Cider House Rules*, *A Dog's Purpose*) and Joe Johnston (*October Sky*; *Honey, I Shrunk the Kids*; *Jumanji*; *Captain America: The First Avenger*) along with writers Ashleigh Powell (in her screen writer debut) and Simon Beaufoy (*The Hunger Games: Catching Fire*) re-imagine this classic Christmas ballet story. (99 min.)  
—Ryah Cooley

RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET: WRECK-IT RALPH 2

What's it rated? **PG-13**  
Where's it showing? **Hi-Way Drive-In, Movies Lompoc, Parks Plaza**  
**NEW** Co-directors Phil Johnson and Rich Moore helm this animated sequel in which Ralph (voiced by John C. Reilly) and Vanellope (voiced by Sarah Silverman) follow a Wi-Fi router in their arcade to a new adventure. (112 min.)  
—Glen Starkey

ROBIN HOOD

What's it rated? **PG-13**  
Where's it showing? **Movies Lompoc**  
**NEW** Otto Bathurst directs this action-adventure about former Crusader-turned-rebel, Robin of Loxley (Taron Edgerton), and his Moorish partner, Little John (Jamie Foxx), who take on the corrupt British crown. Can the Sheriff of Nottingham (Ben Mendelson) stop Robin, and can Marian (Eve Hewson) stop herself from falling in love? (116 min.)  
—Glen Starkey

WIDOWS

What's it rated? **R**  
What's it worth? **Full price**

Where's it showing? **Parks Plaza**  
**PICK** Co-writer Steve McQueen (*Hunger*, *Shame*, *12 Years a Slave*) directs this crime drama about Veronica (Viola Davis), Alice (Elizabeth Debicki), Linda (Michelle Rodriguez), and Belle (Cynthia Erivo), who must team up to pull off a heist after three of their husbands are killed on a botched job and a crime boss demands payment.

I love a good heist film, but *Widows* ups the ante with a twisty script co-penned by Gillian Flynn (*Gone Girl*, *Sharp Objects*) that takes on the dynamics of romance, gender hierarchy, government corruption, racism, and more. It's tense, thrilling, and completely engrossing.

The opening cuts between the botched robbery and the various women's relationships with their men. Veronica is deeply in love with Harry Rawlings (Liam Neeson), the gang's boss. We discover Alice's man, Florek (Jon Bernthal), is abusive, that Linda's man, Carlos (Manuel Garcia-Rulfo), is a degenerate gambler putting her dress shop at risk, and that Amanda (Carrie Coon), who doesn't team up with the other wives, has the most traditional family relationship with her man, Jimmy (Coburn Goss). Because Amanda doesn't accept Veronica's invitation to complete Harry's next planned heist, the remaining women enlist Belle, a single mom and tireless worker who's trying to support her daughter.

Meanwhile, we learn about the Mulligans, an old political family that has run Chicago's 18th ward for generations. Patriarch Tom Mulligan (Robert Duvall) is trying to pass the torch to his son, Jack (Colin Farrell), but local African-American crime boss, Jamal Manning (Brian Tyree Henry), is running against Jack, backed by his violent brother, Jatemme (Daniel Kaluuya). It probably sounds more convoluted than it is. McQueen's direction and Flynn's script does an amazing job of introducing the various characters as well as creating a Chicago that's gritty and hardscrabble.

The botched robbery stole \$2 million from Manning, and he expects Veronica and the other widows to make good on it by liquidating their assets. But they have another idea when Veronica comes into possession of Harry's heist book, which contains meticulous plans for a new \$5 million heist... if they can only figure out what the target is. The blueprints in the book don't include a location. Crafty detective work, chess-like planning, and staying strong in the face of male threats propel these tenacious women forward. They're not going to do what the men expect them to, and that surprise element helps the women enact their plan.

McQueen gets some great acting out of his cast. Davis, Debicki, Neeson, and Duvall are especially amazing, but there's nary a wrong note in the entire cast. This one's definitely worth a trip to the theater. (129 min.) ○  
—Glen Starkey

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AIRBORNE

When? **1993**  
What's it rated? **PG**  
Where's it available? **DVD, Blu-ray, Amazon**  
I don't want to start any fights (do I?) but *Airborne* is the most '90s film of all time. For years, a close friend of mine and I have sought to find that one movie that best encapsulates the decade we grew up in, and while some have come close, none reach the levels of absurd kitsch found in Rob Bowman's Rollerblade bound, teen comedy caper about a kid who moves from Southern California to Cincinnati in the dead of winter (think *Johnny Tsunami* but watchable).

Bowman went on to direct *Reign of Fire*, the first X-Files movie, and *Elektra*, and after that last one, I'm pretty sure every studio head industry wide decided he



**'GNARLY DUDE':** If you thought there was a more '90s movie than *Airborne*, you'd be wrong. Shane McDermott (left) is a Cali surfer bro here to shake things up.

should never direct a feature-length film ever again. However, his contribution to the medium is undeniable. How many directors can claim they've made a movie that completely embodies a decade's essence?

With that being said, how does one go about calculating if a film is the most '90s movie of all time? Or the most reflective and definitive for any time period or era, for that matter? For me, it's about setting a series of criteria that allows for the most scientific process possible. In this case, I have a short list of questions I keep handy where I respond to each with a score ranging from 1 to 10.

Is there a soundtrack featuring grunge rock or Fresh Prince style rap? How many characters wear plaid, flannel, baggy clothing, denim, and/or backwards hats? Is there a battle between the "jock" and "nerd" high school hierarchies? How much contemporary slang is used (tubular, radical, etc.) wherein everyone sounds awkward saying it? Is the protagonist a pathological outsider with a mop-top and one earring? Does he (or she) inexplicably get the hot girl (or guy) at the end? Finally, does the balance of the universe hang upon the outcome of a pointless competition?

After multiple viewings and debate, no matter how I tried to knock it down, *Airborne* scored a perfect 10 in every category.

The opening credits feature some gnarly electric guitar solos and a bunch of Rollerblading highlights from the main character (Shane McDermott from

BLAST FROM THE PAST

*All My Children*) and his best buddy (who's named Kook, by the way, *Kook*) in San Diego. The whole sequence is nonsensical, over the top, and cheesy as hell. It also mirrors the film's [spoiler alert] climax that features a seemingly endless race down an imaginary hill in Cincinnati between the city's best Rollerbladers. I have watched this film more than 100 times and still have no idea what the point, goal, or reason behind that race is.

But it doesn't matter because *Airborne* isn't about thinking. It's about Seth Green—who plays the main character's cousin, Wiley—dressing as if Yoko Ono and Morpheus from *The Matrix* had a ghostly pale redheaded child. It's about Jack Black playing a bully named Augie who loves to play Nintendo, eat cereal, and punch people from California in the face. And most importantly, it's about watching a bunch of high schoolers aimlessly shred a lot of concrete curbs and sidewalks trying to prove a point that still escapes me.

I'd like to write an ending to this column, but in the spirit of *Airborne*, I'll keep it simple and take the coward's way out. [Screaming electric guitar solo] (92 min.) ○  
—Spencer Cole



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*The Wine History Project takes a delicious journey back in time with Ian McPhee and Gary Eberle*

BY CAMILLIA LANHAM

When a red wine glass is on the table in front of you, the waitress is handing you a glass of Eberle Mill Road Viognier, and it's not even noon yet, you know you're in for a good Sunday brunch.

Pecans, bacon, and apples coated in poppy seed vinaigrette are forthcoming as Gary Eberle launches into the reasons why he chose a viognier instead of a chardonnay to start this meal off on Oct. 14. Truth is, he says, he prefers red wine, but if it has to be white—then viognier is the way to go.

About 25 people are gathered in the back room of McPhee's Grill in Templeton, ready for a Sunday funday meal and some food and wine history education to go with it. This event, spearheaded by the Wine History Project of San Luis Obispo County, is focused on Ian McPhee (of McPhee's Grill) and Gary Eberle (Eberle Winery). Both were pioneers in their respective industries as the 1970s became the 1980s in SLO County.

The viognier gets swapped for a 2016 Eberle barbera and the salad becomes steak and eggs with pesto and a generously thick slice of grilled bread, which our table decides to drizzle with the Creston-based Molefina rosemary olive oil that's on the table. Yes, it's as good as it sounds.

This whole production of food and wine is just the appetizer.

As we finish, food historian Sarah Lohman digs into her talk. Fig cake, manchego cheese, and blackberries make the rounds—and a couple of extra splashes of barbera stream into my glass. Lohman, the author of *Eight Flavors: The Untold Story of American Cuisine*, breezes through a quick history of food from medieval times to present, brushing past steak au poivre, World War II France, and Spam along the way to the modern food revolution in California. Fresh ingredients, traditionally prepared, and brought to the Golden State by Alice Waters of Chez Panisse in Berkeley, Sally Schmitt of French Laundry in Napa Valley, and Wolfgang Puck of Spago in Los Angeles.

That's where our protagonists make their debut.

Libbie Agran, director of the Wine History Project of San Luis Obispo County, introduces Eberle and McPhee by saying both of them got their start in 1972. McPhee had graduated from Cal Poly with no interest in food or becoming a chef. Eberle decided he wanted to become a winemaker and was accepted to UC Davis. McPhee eventually worked for the food service at Cal Poly, where he introduced changes such as purchasing fresh fish from local fishermen rather than using frozen fish. Eberle graduated and moved to Paso Robles, searching for just the right soil to plant the grapes he wanted to grow.

Eberle brought science to the area, Agran says, and knowledge garnered from Napa's Robert Mondavi. How to grow the best grapes, make the best wines, and also market them.

Eberle helped establish the Paso Robles

AVA (American Viticultural Area) in 1983.

The wine he named for himself had produced several vintages by then, and the winery was built that year. McPhee became the chef at Ian's in Cambria that year, where he used recently published cookbooks by famed chefs such as Waters to experiment. According to Eberle—a self-described food guy—it was one of the best restaurants on the coast.

"For dinner, in 1973, the best, most consistent place for dinner was Denny's," Eberle says, adding that Ian's changed all that. "He says he didn't know how to cook. I don't know how much of cooking is intrinsic. ... But Ian's was spectacular. ... He was one of the first chefs that we had."

With that experimentation came the hunt for locally sourced ingredients—something McPhee describes as difficult in the 1980s, especially in

#### Wine education

The Wine History Project of SLO County hosts monthly food history events on the second Monday of every month. To learn more about the organization and upcoming events, visit [winehistoryproject.org](http://winehistoryproject.org).

Cambria, which wasn't on any of the normal delivery routes. He found local goat cheese and crème fraîche, a squash guy, and other local farmers, but meat was a little more difficult.

"[We were] trying to source a duck and there was no duck around. So we were sourcing it from a guy in San Francisco, and he would send it down on the Greyhound bus," McPhee says, adding that he would make the trip into San Luis Obispo to pick

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**STEAK AND EGGS:** McPhee's Grill dishes up delicious Sunday brunch during a Wine History Project of SLO County event highlighting chef Ian McPhee and winemaker Gary Eberle's contributions to food and wine on the Central Coast.

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it up, and the boxes would be dripping with melted ice. There was also someone in Salinas who they sourced wild boar from. "It was a pretty wild time for those kinds of things."

Together, Agran says, the chef and the winemaker started the first winemaker dinners on the coast—purposefully pairing wine and food together for the first time in SLO County.

As I finish off the last of the barbara, I think about how little I know about wine, food, and its history. Eating food created by McPhee and drinking wine created by Eberle while listening to them talk about the past, and all the steps that led to this moment, is real. It's not just an interesting story in a magazine about something I will never experience.

It's something I can experience again. I can visit McPhee's Grill in Templeton for a meal or go wine tasting at Eberle Winery in Paso Robles and think about this meal and the people connected to it. About how two young people contributed to change the course of a small rural area of California 30 years ago, and how delicious the aftermath of experimentation can taste. ○



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**SUNDAY DINING:** A rooster and an empty restaurant greet attendees of a special brunch on Oct. 14 at McPhee's Grill, before the diners head to the back room for food, drink, and a history lesson.

Executive Editor Camillia Lanham is salivating for the future. Reach her at [clanham@santamariasun.com](mailto:clanham@santamariasun.com).

**Payne's Picks:**  
*What to do, eat, and drink this week*

• Hey gang, it's *Sun* Managing Editor Joe Payne here, filling in for Rebecca Rose to let you in on a few fun food foodie options in the area:

• **Naughty Oak Brewing Co.** in Orcutt likes to welcome food trucks on some nights of the week, often while there's live music in the brewery. **Island Mix's** food truck will be there on Nov. 22 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and again on Nov. 23 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. while Ghost/Monster performs live music. Island Mix's is known for their flavorful pork or chicken adobo, as well as some killer lumpia. Try them out at Naughty Oak, located at 165 S. Broadway, suite 102, Orcutt.

• The Central Coast finally has a legit European style deli in Arroyo Grande called **Enjoy Euro-Deli Market**, where everything from schnitzel to borscht is on the menu. They make the sauerkraut in house and even have a selection of European food products. The menu has a traditional feel, like with the smoked salmon sandwich, which puts the fish on buttered white bread with lettuce, capers,

onions, and creamy Havarti cheese. They produce traditional baked desserts as well. Check them out at 1436 E. Grand Ave. in AG.

• Have you been up to **Cold Spring Tavern** to try their oak-grilled tri-tip sandwiches and their famous onion rings (pictured)? Cold Spring is a historic stagecoach stop off the San Marcos Pass, or Highway 154, near Cachuma Lake. There's live music outside during the weekend afternoons and you can order and enjoy while taking in the tunes. The breeding on the onion rings is perfect, and their creamy ranch is a satisfying complement. Also, they do a creamy horseradish sauce that is a serious game changer in the world of tri-tip. Check it out in the mountains overlooking the valley at 5995 Stagecoach Road.

• If your family is anything like mine, several people show up on Thanksgiving with cans and boxes of the same ingredients—green beans, stuffing, cranberry sauce, etc.—in the hopes of contributing. It's always nice to remember the **Foodbank of Santa Barbara County** at times like that. The organization always takes donations at its 490 W. Foster Road, Santa Maria, location and it's a great way to pass on a surplus to locals in need. ○

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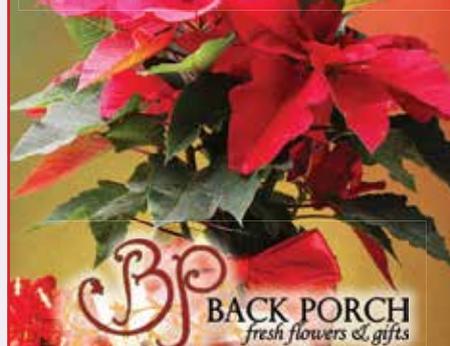
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