



FREE LUNCHEON SEMINAR
 "The Privilege of Planning"

Choose One Of These Dates

Wednesday, February 29, 2012 – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 29, 2012 – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 26, 2012 – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Seating is limited to 30 attendees per seminar

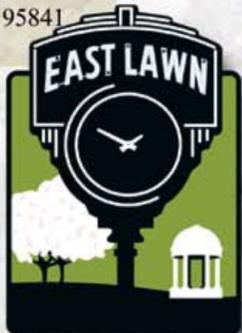
St. Francis Community Hall,

6700 Verner Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841

(I-80 @ Greenback)



Presenter: Josh Tuttle
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Please note – this is not a sales seminar. "The Privilege of Planning" will be a 30-minute presentation followed by a question and answer period. It will focus on the importance of getting your family involved in the entire process of advance planning and all of the options available. Done properly – at the right time and in the right way – pre-planning can become a privilege instead of a chore. Get valuable information on Veteran's benefits, cremation and burial options and receive a FREE Emergency Planning Guide. Come and learn the steps you can take now to make sure those you care about are always cared for.

Reservations Required RSVP to Lisa West @ (916)732-2020

River Oak Center for Children



Gerri Beck and Alice Gentry of Carmichael's River Oak Center for Children attended United Way California Capital Region's Nonprofit Appreciation Event on Jan. 26 at Mulvaney's in Sacramento. Forty of United Way's nonprofit partners and their top volunteers attended the event, which also included Assemblymember Richard Pan presenting United Way's esteemed Clarence La Rue Award for volunteerism to Mark Joske of AT&T. Photo courtesy of Kristin Thébaud Communications.

SACRAMENTO REGION – United Way is the region's leading provider of innovative solutions on the community's most pressing issues, including high school graduation rates, household financial stability and obesity. United Way's team of nonprofits, businesses, donors and volunteers work together to provide positive, measurable results on these issues through United Way projects: STAR Readers, SenSe-Ability and Fit Kids. Community members can give, volunteer and advocate in support of the causes they care most about, benefiting United Way and hundreds of nonprofits in Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo counties. United Way is an independent, local affiliate of United Way Worldwide.

For more information, visit www.yourlocalunitedway.org.

Young Artists Win Big For Creeks!

From *Jamie Cameron-Harley*

SACRAMENTO REGION – Skycrest Elementary 5th grade student was one of three Sacramento area children who won honors today in the 2012 Creek Week T-Shirt Art Contest: "Why We Care For Creeks." As the first prize art winner the student-artist will see her art as this year's Creek Week t-shirt art, in addition she receives \$50 and will be interviewed on Radio Disney. The first prize classroom teacher also receives \$100 for educational materials. Second and third prize student-artists will receive \$25 and \$20 respectively.

The Sacramento Area Creeks Council (SACC) designed the contest in association with San Juan Unified School District Visual and Performing Arts program to educate, raise awareness,

and encourage exploration and enjoyment of Sacramento area creeks and aquatic life.

SACC received from about 200 students (grades 4 -6) attending Grand Oaks, Arlington, Skycrest, Cambridge Heights, Lichen, Kingswood K-8, Citrus Heights and Woodside. After students learned more about creek systems and aquatic life they created their 8 x 8 pieces of art illustrating the importance of creeks and why we should care for them.

SACC's contest was "We are thrilled to see children being creative and learning about our local creeks and the environment," said Alta Tura, Creek Week Committee Chair and SACC Board President. "This partnership with the San Juan Unified School District staff gave us a unique opportunity to educate children about the environment

and how we can work together to preserve natural resources."

The Sacramento Area Creeks Council is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting and sharing the abundant natural treasures that make up the extensive creek systems of our region.

The 22nd Annual Creek Week splashes off this year from April 6 to 14. During Creek Week young and old will enjoy, explore, learn about and work to protect our local creeks and aquatic life.

For information on activities, clean up locations, volunteer opportunities and E-Waste collection, go to www.creekweek.net.

The top three entries can be seen on the Creek Week Facebook page. The top ten entries will be on display in late April at Kidz Art along with other art displayed by the SJUSD Visual and Performing Arts program.



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