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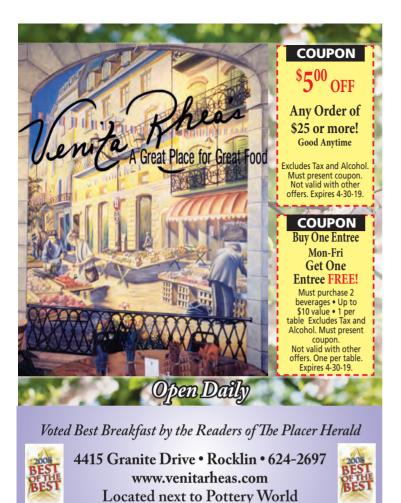
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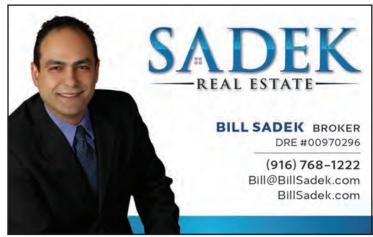
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# ROCKLIN

he City of Rocklin is celebrating its 125th Anniversary in 2018 honoring the people, businesses, and historic events that have built the foundation of this great city. Historically, residents and visitors were brought to the area by connections to the transcontinental railroad and the abundance of granite that helped give Rocklin its name.

Today, Rocklin is one of the fastest growing cities in California because of its great schools, highly educated workforce, median incomes well above the state average, safety, and access to first-class business and recreation opportunities.

The City of Rocklin's historic Quarry District specifically is experiencing a transformation. Public and private development is creating a downtown environment that supports vibrant entertainment, commercial activity, and residential options.

Quarry Park Adventures is at the center of this revitalization, offering adventurous, wholesome recreation in what was once Rocklin's largest rock quarry. Visitors to the adventure park, opening in early summer 2018, will find nearly endless entertainment to create an experience to remember. Attendees will be able to race on four-hundredfoot zip lines at speeds over 30 miles per hour; navigate a ropes course offering three increasing levels of challenge; climb and traverse 60-foot high granite walls; and much more. Get tickets now at QuarryPark.com!

The adventure park is located in Quarry Park, which already boasts a picturesque setting for events, concerts, picnics, and nature walks. The park features Platinum Living Amphitheater, where Rocklin has hosted national acts including the Pen-



KEN BROADWAY

tatonix and James Bay. See the 2018 schedule at meetmeattheq.com.

Business attractions in Rocklin are too many to list, but to name a few ...

The Studio Movie Grill was the first movie theater in the region to offer an in-theater dining experience and full-service bar. Popular outdoor retailer Bass Pro Shops attracts visitors from an aver-

age distance of 50 miles away who average 2 ½ hours in the store. Harley-Davidson of Rocklin recently returned to the city, offering world-class motorcycles to ride the area's spectacular scenic routes.

For those looking to relax with a drink, I invite you to enjoy Rocklin's growing craft beer and wine scene. Moksa Brewing features two of the region's most popular brewers. Other great options include the German inspired Kathrin's Beer Garden, Out of Bounds Brewing Company, and Boneshaker Public House. For wine lovers, Cante Ao Vinho Winery in the Quarry District can't be beat.

The City of Rocklin also hosts a number of its own regional events, including the Mini-Maker Faire, and is a proud partner of the Rocklin Area Chamber of Commerce's Hot Chili & Cool Cars event held in September each year.

I invite you to plan a visit and see what makes Rocklin a special place to live, work and play.

the city of

# LINCOLN

s one encounters newly arrived residents to the City of Lincoln, there is a common thread you hear from them about what made them decide to select Lincoln as their home. It is a little piece of "Mayberry," the City that is growing but still keeps that "small town" feel that makes you feel welcomed and that "warm hug" that affirms that you made the right decision to call Lincoln your home. "When you are here you are home."

One trip to the Lincoln Archives and Museum in Downtown Lincoln and you discover the rich history that the community continues to embrace as we welcome others to call Lincoln their home. The Museum is packed with memorabilia from trappings of a blacksmith shop to the pennants the Lincoln Potter baseball teams won for so many years.

The spirit of that long history of baseball in Lincoln has been revived by the addition of a summer Collegiate Wood Bat League team bearing the same name, Lincoln Potters. The City in partnership with William Jessup University, Placer Valley Tourism, and Lincoln Little League invested over one million dollars to renovate the playing field of Mc-Bean Stadium to make it the premier playing surface in the region. William Jessup plays their home games at the Stadium in the late winter/early spring months, Little League plays their games in the spring months and the Potters play



STAN NADER

during the summer months. If you like baseball then Lincoln is where you want to be.

Another new feature for our City is the Art Walk next to Beerman Plaza sponsored by the Art League of Lincoln and supported by the City of Lincoln and residents of the community. Art in public places is very important in displaying the "soul" of the commu-

nity and bringing life to otherwise empty spaces.

If theatric performances are what "tickles your fancy," then the Lincoln Theatre Company has you covered. From Oklahoma to the Miracle Worker, our community is continually wowed by the depth of the local talent of the performing casts.

From the Car Shows, Chili Cook Offs, Christmas Parade, 4th of July Parade and Fireworks, Downtown Food Truck Nights, WineFest, Chocolate Lovers Ball, Portuguese Holy Ghost Festival, High School Rodeo and many more events, you will find something that will give that warm feeling that you are at home in Lincoln. As a local news caster said about Lincoln, "It doesn't get anymore Down Home than that."

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72 parks and recreation facilities with more to open soon.

Looking for a place to take your family on a bike ride or go for a run? Try the 34 miles of offstreet multi-use trails, many of which meander through beautiful tree-lined open spaces along our creeks and parks.

One park that you are not going to want to miss is Mahany Park. Mahany Park is home to the Roseville Sports Center, Roseville Utility Exploration Center, Riley Library, several ball fields, an all-weather field, a dog park and the award winning Project Play playground, which is universally accessible to people of all abilities.

Roseville is also home to three public pools. Roseville Aquatics Center and Johnson Pool are outdoor pools that operate seasonally and offer amenities appealing to families and athletes alike. Our newest pool, Mike Shellito Indoor Pool, has a retractable roof and offers yearround swimming lessons, fitness classes and recreational swim.

The newest amenity in our city is the Vernon Street Town Square in the Downtown. From concerts to wine tasting to festival or splashing around in the spray ground, there is always something fun to do in the square. It has fast become a popular destination, attracting more than 120,000 visitors annually.

If shopping is on your mind, you're in the right place. From Target to Tiffany's, you can find what you need. If window shopping is more your speed, take a stroll through the Westfield Galleria and the Fountains at Roseville, a beautiful outdoor shopping and eating environment

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#### KoJa Kitchen

#### WHERE

4210 Rocklin Road., Rocklin

#### WHEN

11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday – Thursday and 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday - Saturday

#### INFO

916-259-1513

t all started with a (food) truck. From driving on the ground to a solid foundation, KoJa Kitchen has seen immense growth in less than 10 years. Alan Tsai and Hiep Lien introduced KoJa Kitchen, a Korean-Japanese blend to the food industry in 2011 with their food truck in San Francisco. By 2014, they

opened their first restaurant location in the Bay Area and have continued to expand since.

"This is our first location in the Sacramento region," said Thomas Quach, franchisee of the Rocklin location. "The next one will be in Downtown Sacramento, then in Elk Grove."

BY PAIGE SMITH PHOTOS BY PAIGE SMITH

The Rocklin team offers sponsorships for local sports teams and want to provide their food services not only to neighboring businesses but also to the neighboring community. Currently, the team is looking at delivering to the local neighborhoods as well as the businesses in the surrounding area. They offer takeout - not just walk in, but also through drive thru.

"We want people to come in and try our food and this new concept; it really is something different, but delicious," Quach said.

The most popular food item is the KoJa which consists of a choice of protein served between lightly fried garlic rice buns. According to KoJa Kitchen, it's like a burger, but better.

"It all started with a food truck and now it has blossomed to something much more," Quach said.



# CREATING

## Chicago cuisine cravings

hristine Grau owner of Rosati's Authentic Chicago Pizza grew up in Boston sharing the East Coast's love of pizza. She knew very little about Chicago, but knew she loved the food already. The franchise originated in Chicago in the 1960s by the Rosati family and has remained true to the authenticity of the cuisine ever since.

"It's a family friendly sports pub," Grau said.

The many television screens that line the inside play baseball or football games during the season.

When the Chicago Cubs won the World Series in 2016, it was the busiest she has ever been. They were so full they were featured on the channel 13 news.

"I love the Chicago craze," she said. "It was magical."

While the atmosphere is welcoming and lined with nostalgic sports paraphernalia, the food creates cravings that may not be satisfied anywhere else.

The core ingredients are sourced from Chicago, the cheese comes from Wisconsin, and the specific Rosati's ingredients are shipped with the secret recipes inside.

## Rosati's Authentic Chicago Pizza

#### WHERE

5140 Foothills Blvd. #110, Roseville

#### WHEN

Noon to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Noon to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 4-9 p.m. Sunday

916-797-7492 or myrosatis.com

"I cannot match the flavor. They truly have their own special ingredients in the sauce," Grau said.

"The high-quality ingredients we have really make a difference," Manager Sherrey Lawson said.

The thin crust pizza is cut into squares rather than pie slices and toppings go under the cheese lined edgeto-edge in true Chicago form. The Monster Pizza has a total of 11 toppings on it.

"The flavor profile is something like you've never tasted before," she said. "I want people to walk out of Roseville and into Chicago."

# Lincoln's favorite

# FROZEN TREATS W

#### BY JAMIE HAZELTON

PHOTOS RV IAMIE HA 7FITON

hat's better than indulging in a sweet frozen treat on these hot, dry summer days? Not much. Thankfully Lincoln offers a nice variety, from frozen yogurt and shaved ice to polar pizzas and milkshakes. Here are three places to get your next fix.

For those looking for a slightly healthier cold snack, Home Spun Yogurt has a lot to offer with over 100 toppings and eight flavors of yogurt at a time. Of course the favorites are chocolate and vanilla, but a few other favoriites are the banana cream pie, orangecicle and cake batter. Owner Jason Ladd says the latest craze in the shop is the Horachatta frozen yogurt. Home Spun makes their own chocolate covered strawberries and four different types of chocolate covered Oreos. In addition to frozen yogurt, Home Spun also offers shaved-sno and yogurt, something they like to call sno-yo. It is fluffy and creamy.

The Ladds have been at their location in Lincoln since 2010 and have earned several regional awards.

"We're family owned. Our kids and grandkids have worked here, we have them in all the time." Ladd said.

### **Home Spun Yogurt**

#### WHER

69 Lincoln Boulevard, Suite D, Lincoln

#### WHEN

11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday

#### INFO

916-253-3872

### **Country Harvest Bakery**

#### WHERE

680 5th St., Lincoln

#### WHEN

7 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday

#### INFO

916-409-2377

Right in the heart of downtown Lincoln, is Country Harvest, a bakery and cafe that prides itself on fresh local ingredients since its start in 2014. Along with offering the typical cafe fare, this shop also servers some frozen favorites. Country Harvest has kept the famous McBean Shake, invented by the building's previous occupants, but with a new twist. It is still a scoop of ice cream with a shot of espresso but now the ice cream is espresso flavor instead of vanilla. Owner and chef Patti Storer launched a new expanded menu last July that includes a Mocha McBean Shake, a Carmel McBean Shake, sundaes, Fruit Freeze floats and ice cream pies and cakes.

Country Harvest currently serves ice cream, ice cream cookie sandwiches, and a number of unique milkshakes.

"Kids eyes light up when they see the Cotton Candy Shake," said Storer.

The current favorites for a scoop of ice cream are pistachio and mint cookie. Country Harvest also offers Fruit Freezes which are a frozen mix of fruit and fruit juice. Customers can also create a 50-50, combining a scoop of Fruit Freeze and a scoop of vanilla ice cream. All the ice cream and fruit freeze flavors are made by Gunthers Ice Cream in



If you're looking for a traditional ice cream shop, Baskin Rob-

bins has been a favorite for decades. The Lincoln store has been open since November 2014 and the owner Jyoti Gill couldn't be more thankful of the Lincoln community for their support. The local favorite flavors are peanut butter chocolate, cookies and cream, mint chocolate chip and especially rainbow sherbet for the kids. For the past year

Baskin Robbins has been offering ice cream cookie sandwiches with five different cookies to choose from. Customers can also order sundaes, milkshakes, smoothies, and a banana split. For those looking for a healthier option, there are three frozen yogurts: Vanilla, sweet and salty,

and raspberry cheese Louise. If you are looking for something unique, the shop sells Polar Pizzas. The pizzas are a cookie crust layered with ice cream and topped a drizzle and a variety toppings. Customers can come in and purchase a pre-made cake or order a custom one online, by phone or in the store.

### **Baskin Robbins**

#### WHERE

820 Sterling Parkway, Lincoln

#### WHEN

10:30 a.m.-10 p.m. daily

#### INFO

916-543-3000





### Kathrin's Biergarten

#### WHERE

4810 Granite Drive, Suite 1A, Rocklin

#### WHEN

4-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-251-7502 or kathrinsbiergarten.com

## **Authentic**

# **GERMAN CUISINE**

BY NOELLE KONRAD

PHOTOS BY NOELLE KONRAD



urst ist schlimmer als heimweh," which in German means thirst is worse than homesickness. No one will go home thirsty at Rocklin's small piece of Germany in the form of Kathrin's Biergarten.

The traditional patio- and pub-style dining expresses a true authenticity to owner, Kathrin Grosse's upbringing.

Grosse hosted many Oktoberfests privately since she moved to California and the parties quickly grew to around 150 guests and did all the cooking from scratch.

"They got more and more popular," Grosse said.

During her time at university in Germany, Grosse worked in several German biergarten's to support her financially. She realized she wanted to bring German beer and cuisine to the Rocklin community.

"Everybody gets happier with German beer," she said. "I think German beer is picking up more and more."

Everything fell into place when she found the location. It has all the aspects of a traditional biergarten. Historically, in order to keep the beer cool in the summertime, large trees such as chestnut or oak were planted to provide shade while white pebbles stones were laid on the ground to further reflect sunlight.

When Grosse saw the large oak tree out on the patio, she knew that her vision of a biergarten was achievable.

"This place has an oak tree and it is perfect," she said. The menu was developed and inspired after hosting many Oktoberfests.

"Almost everything is what I used to cook for Oktoberfest," she said.

The sausages and pretzels are sourced from other local German immigrants and many of the additional produce and ingredients are shipped from Germany.

"It's freshly made and really different," Grosse said. "It's real quality ... all German based."

When the restaurant opened in September, it had a line out the door. Grosse had signed the lease just the night before at 7 p.m. leaving little time for training and preparation. The number of people who came was also unexpectedly high. It was a rough opening, but customers were kind and are excited to see the business grow.

"The opening night was crazy," Grosse said. "People are really understanding."

Locals and regulars are encouraging the restaurant to keep up the good work.

"I knew it would be hard," she said.

Customers are already picking their favorite brews and entrees. The most popular meal on the menu is the jägerschnitzel paired with fries or German spätzle.

"That is definitely No. 1," Grosse said.

And the most often ordered beer is the Wehen-



AUTHENTIC FARE: The most popular dish on the menu is the jägerschnitzel. It is specially breaded and covered in the most common German sauce made up of rich and creamy mushrooms. Jäger means "hunter-style." The dish is served with German spätzle, mashed or fried potatoes and salad of choice.

stephaner Hefeweissbier Dunkel. It is a dark wheat beer with creamy white foam.

Everything is authentic, even down to the Germanmade glassware. All the beers are served in appropriate German glasses that indicate with lines where the foam should start. A beer with a good head of foam gives customers the best taste and aroma of their selection.

Grosse is impartial to Pilsner as her all-time favorite.

"I don't drink anything but Pilsner," she said.

Grosse knows good quality German beer. Some even call her a beer snob and her husband made her a portable kegerator so she can enjoy a pint of pilsner anywhere.

"Everybody who knows me knows 'Kathrin is a beer-drinking woman," she said.

Even the logo was designed around her love of beer. After trying to design it herself, she had a friend capture the essence she was looking for: The logo to depicts herself, not just a woman who was smiling and holding a beer, but actually enjoying it.







# **NEWCASTLE PIZZA**

PHOTOS BY NOELLE KONRAD



WHEN THE MOON HITS THE SKY: Far right, Kelsey Jones demonstrates how to hand roll the dough to perfection. Far left, gluten-free pizza options are offered, as well as unique starters such as their unique wood-fired roasted garlic and rosemary chicken wings. Below, the wood-fire oven at the Rocklin location is unlike any other.



#### **Newcastle Pizza**

#### WHERE

6696 Lone Tree Blvd., Suite 100, Rocklin

#### WHEN

4:30-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday

916-899-6177 or newcastlepizzeria.com

could eat pizza every day," said owner of Newcastle Pizzeria Julie McReynolds. Before opening her own restaurant, McReynolds traveled to many places that allowed her to sample different pizzas from all over the world. She recently opened her second location in Rocklin.

Many of the menu items were inspired by her numerous trips. Some countries that really stand out to her are Australia, New Zealand and Italy. Wherever life took her, McReynolds sought out the best pizza.

Having the perfect crust for her wood-fire oven was really important to McReynolds. Head Chef Cory Lazaldi perfected the sourdough recipe for a crust unlike any other. He is also the head chef of the Rocklin location and assists McReynolds in other aspects of the restaurant.

McReynolds and her staff pull from the "sourdough mother" every morning to make fresh dough balls that are never frozen and never pressed by a machine. All crusts are hand-rolled making each one consistent in size, but unique by the hands that create them.

"I just love the craft of making dough," McReynolds said. "Anywhere you go they make a pretty decent pizza; anywhere I go I look at their pizza menus."

Of course there are the obvious classic places known for their pizza such as New York, Chicago, San Francisco and the most common, Italy.

Sitting in a restaurant in Tuscany, McReynolds ordered the chef's favorite pizza on the menu. What came out surprised her. They brought a pie with prosciutto, onion, mushrooms, olive oil and a big pile of cold arugula tossed in lemon zest. She called it a salad on top

of a pizza and quite honestly didn't expect to be swept away by the masterpiece.

"I tasted the pizza and that was one of the best pizzas I have ever had in my life," McReynolds said.

Now the same recipe can be found on her menu aptly named the Tuscany. The Stella, which has salami, Italian sausage, red onion, fresh mozzarella, gorgonzola and house-made red sauce, is another pizza inspired from her travels that has landed on her favorite's list. Commonly, when she takes a pizza to go, it's half Tuscany and half Stella.

Bringing authentic and quality cuisine with a family-friendly atmosphere to Rocklin and Newcastle is of crucial importance to McReynolds and she has succeeded in doing so.

The menu will remain consistent at both locations with eight to 10 local beers on tap.

Eventually, McReynolds hopes to incorporate cheeseboards, house-made pastas and other tasty "nibblies" as Chef Lazaldi calls them. They will also be roasting meats in the wood-fire oven to top pizzas with perfectly cooked pork, lamb, chicken and more.

"He'll be doing all sorts of fun things in the oven," McReynolds said.

The chicken wings are cooked in the same wood-burning fire and pairs well with the Caesar salad topped with house-made dressing.

"I love to feed people. I truly do love when people appreciate and enjoy the pizza," McReynolds said.

When customers ask for a little more Parmesan cheese sprinkled on top of their dishes, McReynolds calls it adding a little more love.



MADE WITH HONOR: Mikuni Taro Arai, Chief Dreaming Officer at Mikuni, has created hundreds of rolls including this customized DMC (DeMarcus Cousins) Roll. The DMC Roll is combination of tempura lobster, white tuna, avocado and crab mix.

I A 'ROLL' for 30 years

ishii" in Japanese translated means "delicious," which is only one of many words that can describe the 31-yearold beloved Japanese restaurant and sushi bar, Mikuni's.

When looking back at the years that have passed, Chief Dreaming Officer of Mikuni Taro Arai has an attitude of gratitude for the memories he has to share. At the realization that his family's dream has been a reality since 1987, Arai laughed, "I don't think I'm that old, but I guess I am."

If anyone can love what they do too much, Arai says he is already there. He has grown to see his father's vision become a reality and his mother's cooking inspire millions.

"If I was born again, I would do the same," Arai said. "(I am) so blessed."

It wasn't without effort that the Arai family got their piece of the American dream.

When Arai was 15 his family moved from a small island of Japan to the United States. Previously, he worked a daily paper route that he started at age 11. This funded his parents, brother, and sister's airfare to San Francisco in 1985.

Mikuni has brought a piece of Japanese culture to California. However, sushi rolls are not a common dish in Japan and are definitely not like the popular ones in this country. Rice and fish are an expensive treat in Japan.

"For me to eat sushi every day is a blessing," Arai said. While there is a side to Arai that is very respectful

of tradition, he is also a visionary when it comes to "sushiology."

Mikuni is said to be the first to incorporate fried foods, mayonnaise and rice on the outside of the roll. If a customer asks, there is very little that Arai won't do, including wrapping hot dogs and French fries in a roll or creating a burrito roll and then deep frying it.

"I never say no to customers," Arai said. "They get to order what they want."

All the rules were broken and it created a movement in American-Japanese cuisine.

"I like everything fun," Arai said. "I have to create a menu I can enjoy every day."

In 2009 the Kaizen location in Roseville was estab-

lished. Kaizen means continuous improvement.

There is always something new to be discovered and tasted. Arai has sampled rare and sometimes disturbing foods, such as insects and windpipe, and yet he is still searching for a food he doesn't like.

"Every food has a different taste, different texture. I love it," Arai said. "I want to try new ingredients."

His brother is the chief creative chef and produces many masterpieces including Green Tea Tuna, which is one of their best sellers.

Not every roll is displayed on the menu. There are too many to keep track of. Some are consistent hits while others don't stay on the menu for long.

"Frushi" was an idea that didn't seem to take off quite as hoped. It was a combination of sushi with fruit. The Unana Roll had banana and unagi (eel). There was also strawberry with spicy tuna.

"That didn't go well either," Arai said.

No worries though, Mikuni has an endless variety of options when it comes to traditional and contemporary sushi that are much more appetizing.

"They are all unique to me, in a different way," Arai said. Part of Arai's job is to travel to where they source their ingredients. Mikuni's ingredients are sourced directly from Japan and other countries with the ultimate fresh delivery.

Last year Mikuni opened Kaizen Oysters, a farm in Humboldt Bay that is exclusive to Mikuni and produces ovsters similar in taste to the ones found in Arai's hometown in Kumamoto, Japan.

Want to become a master sushi chef like Arai? He hosts sushi-making classes, but RSVP in advance because they often sell out.

The complete story of the Arai family and Mikuni's journey is written in Arai's book "Abundance." Stay tuned for a second and third book coming soon.

"Shuku" means "celebration." Mikuni celebrated their 30-year milestone with an event at the McClellan Event Center in 2017. The night had great food, live entertainment, gift boxes, charity fundraisers and most importantly, the most loved Japanese restaurant in the region.



#### Mikuni

#### ONLINE

mikunisushi.com

#### **ROSEVILLE**

#### WHERE

1565 Eureka Road, Roseville

11 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday, noon - 10 p.m. Saturday and noon - 9 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-797-2112

#### THE FOUNTAINS AT ROSEVILLE

1017 Galleria Blvd., Suite 160, Roseville

11:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday, noon - 10 p.m. Saturday and noon - 9 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-780-2119

## Warm

# YOUR WINTER BY JAMIE HAZELTON PHOTOS BY JAMIE HAZELTON PHOTOS BY JAMIE HAZELTON

ith the winter weather settling in many turn to the universal comfort food, soup. From a hearty chicken noodle to a flavorful Caribbean split pea Roseville View Magazine found out where to get good cup of soup.



## **SPLIT PEA SOUP**

#### JD's Bakery and Caribbean Cafe

#### WHERE

3700 Midas Ave. #A1 Rocklin

6 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 6 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 6:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday

916-624-3350 or justdivine.cafe

The split peas soup is a Caribbean style vegan soup with butternut squash and Japanese pumpkin. Spiced thyme, ginger, garlic onion and a little coconut milk gives the soup its unique flavor. Scottish Bonnet adds a bold flavor to the soup.



## **WOR WONTON SOUP**

#### Leo's Kitchen

#### WHERE

7441 Foothills Boulevard, Roseville

11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday and Noon to 9:30 p.m. Sundays

#### INFO

916-788-1998

The Wor Wonton Soup contains wontons, chicken, shrimp, scallops, vegetables and has a salty-sweet taste with a slight kick to it. Customers can add crispy noodles for and extra \$1.50. Leo's Kitchen is owned by the Leo family and has been open for five years.



## SPICY LENTIL SOUP

#### **Guys For Lunch**

#### WHERE

1249 Pleasant Grove Boulevard, Roseville

11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday-Saturday

916-740-8424 or guysforlunch.com

The spicy lentil soup is flavored with a homemade hot sauce made with smoked jalapenos. The menu offers a half sandwich and soup combo meal and a soup and salad combination. Customers can mix and match with specialty sandwich, soup or salad from the menu to create their own combo.



# HOMEMADE TOMATO SOUP DĂC BIÊT

#### **Four Sisters Cafe**

#### WHERE

9050 Fairway Drive, #165 Roseville

6:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. daily

#### INFO

916-797-0770 or foursisterscafe.com

The Homemade Tomato is a cream-based tomato soup with chicken stock and spiced with fresh thyme. The soup pairs well with any of the melted sandwiches on the menu especially the grilled cheese. The soup is served with warm herb focaccia bread or oyster crackers.



### **DT Noodle**

5015 Foothills Boulevard, Roseville

10 a.m. - 9 p.m. daily

916-797-8883 or dtnoodlke.com

Pho is a Vietnamese noodle soup with rice noodles, broth and meat. The most popular bowl of pho at DT Noodle is the Dac Biet which includes rare beef, flank steak, beef brisket, soft tendon, tripe and meat balls. The pho comes with vegetables, jalapeños, sprouts and basil on the side and siracha sauce.



## **POZOLE ROJO**

#### The Monk's Cellar

#### WHERE

240 Vernon Street, Roseville

3-10 p.m. Monday, 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday

916-786-6665 or monks cellar.com

The Pizole Rojo is a hominy served with white onion, lemon and cabbage. It is sometimes ordered with a grilled cheese. Monk's offers one soup of the day and changes weekly.



# **PLEASURES**

# in catering to community

wner of Simple Pleasures Restaurant and Catering, Diana Burke-Fuentes grew up with a heart for service and a drilledin work ethic instilled in her by her family at a very young age.

When Burke-Fuentes was in high school, her parents added to their already busy schedule of raising children and working two jobs, the venture of opening a restaurant.

"We worked hard as a family to get it (the restaurant) open," Burke-Fuentes said. "We grew up with incredible work ethic. We worked until we got it done."

Simple Pleasures has been in business 38 years in the same location.

There have been many changes over the years, including the name. Its former name was Sandwich Alley, but as the menu evolved and when Burke-Fuentes bought the business in 1991, she renamed the restaurant to match the catering side by calling it Simple Pleasures. It reminds her of how food can be comforting and how something minor can bring so much joy to those around you, she said. She wanted a name that expressed all that they offer, which is so much more than food.

Burke-Fuentes used to wait tables during the lunch hour and decided then that running a restaurant would never be her calling.

"I decided I would never ever go into business for myself," Burke-Fuentes said.

### **Simple Pleasures Restaurant & Catering**

#### WHERE

648 5th Street, Lincoln

#### WHEN

6 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday- Friday

916-645-1251

catering by simple pleasures.com

Her husband urged her to buy the restaurant from her mother who was planning to sell to someone else.

It sparked a fire inside Burke-Fuentes and she thought, "You can't sell my restaurant.'

That was the beginning. Her motivation to serve the community and keep the business in the family was strong and she began to admire what she swore she would never attempt.

We pulled together a business plan," Burke-Fuentes said. "I've never had a day where I hated what I did for a living. It's been a great journey. The support of Lincoln is just unique."

Now, Simple Pleasures is a generational business with caring for the community at the helm.

"We want this to be second home for people," Burke-Fuentes said. "This is the purpose for my life is to actually serve people."

Her middle son Aaron helps in managing the business and all of her six grandchildren have helped out at one point or another.

# HOT OFF the press

PHOTOS BY NOFLLE KONRAD

ood is an influencer of emotions. Some foods have the power to make us feel nostalgic and others we eat for comfort. For many, nothing has both of those effects like a grilled cheese sandwich. When owner Dwight Chambers opened Cheese Louise, he created a dining atmosphere that feels as comfortable as family. The Roseville location opened less than two years ago from their original location in downtown Sacramento.

"We have pretty much a prime location," General Manager Jordan Jones said about the downtown Roseville location.

Where it is now has provided the atmosphere Cheese Louise was looking for. Regular customers will stop by just to say hi. The cozy environment feels like a home away from home.

"Our main thing is pressed sandwiches, so it's pressed paninis or what we call gourmet grilled cheeses," Jones said.

But the menu also contains a selection of salads, sides, soups, smoothies, coffees and pastries.

The meals are great for a hot work breakfast or lunch on the go.

"Everybody is living a fast-paced life," he said.

The majority of the ingredients are sourced locally. D&P Creamery provides all their milks and chees-

#### **Cheese Louise**

400 Vernon St., Roseville

#### WHEN

7 a.m. - 2 p.m. Monday and Tuesday,

7 a.m. – 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday

#### INFO

916-772-2433 or mycheeselouise.com

es and fruit from the farmers' market down the street is used for the house-made pastries. Even the coffee beans come from the local coffee shop FourScore Coffee House.

"We shop all local," he said.

Jones has been cooking since he was 12 years old. Growing up the south in Louisiana meant that he learned what good food was quickly. His love of food spread into culinary school, which he attended for two years while in high school.

"I fell in love with it," he said.

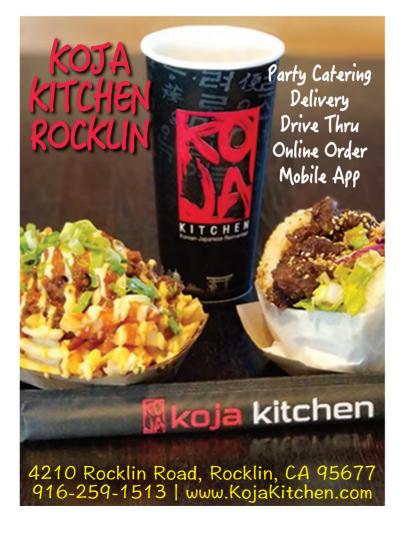
He enjoys experimenting with new flavors and recipes, testing out which one is best for the menu.

The food at Cheese Louise is delicious, but the main mission is building a relationship with the customers and everyone who enters the establishment.











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# CREATE, LEARN MAKE

# Mini Maker Faire comes to Rocklin BY NOELLE KONRAD

#### **Rocklin Mini Makers Faire**

### WHEN

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13

#### WHERE

Sierra College 5100 Sierra College Blvd., Rocklin

rocklin.makerfaire.com

would say it is a wonderful blend between a science fair and a craft fair," said Monica Nitz, marketing and development specialist for park and recreation for City of Rocklin.

The Rocklin Mini Maker Faire is a place for everyone to come and explore their creativity and interests with hands-on projects, presentations and do-it-yourself booths.

As many wander the expansive campus of Sierra College in Rocklin they will find booths highlighting anything from 3D printing to robotics, sculptures, painting, down to small chalk designs.

It is a full day that takes over majority of the campus, but rain or shine, the event will be a blast with food trucks and a plethora of areas to participate in. It is the perfect place for entrepreneurs, businesses, and those who desire to learn a task they never though they would.

"There are so many different things that happen at the event (that) once you see it and once you learn, it ignites a spark," Nitz said. "I do recommend that they set aside some time. Spend some time to look around the event and take it all in."

Since it started in 2015, Nitz has seen it grow tremen-

dously. It is still a fairly new concept to the community, but once you hear about it and attend, your ears perk up every time you hear the word "maker," Nitz said.

"It's just bringing back that concept that we are all creators, we are all makers," she said.

The makers bring something unique and interactive to each of their stations. From simple to complex, it can range from business endeavors to hobbies for fun. The main focus of the day is for the makers to showcase what they do best in an interactive platform for attendees. There are workshops, live music, entertainment and more.

"We really cater to all ages," Nitz said. "The technology is done in a way that children can learn."

They are called the Mini Maker Faire because they are licensed under the maker faire, which is a large event that happens all over the world in 38 different countries. They are a subgroup of the larger one. The Bay Area hosts the largest maker faire in the state.

People have the ability to create, learn and make. The more and more are people experiencing technology in an attainable way, said Nitz.

There is growth of people looking at the process of making rather than the finished product.



n All-American City deserves an all-American pastime. Lincoln was named an All-American City in 2006. The award, the oldest community recognition award in the nation, is given out annually to 10 cities by the National Civic League. It recognizes communities for outstanding civic accomplishments that demonstrate innovation, impact, inclusiveness and civic engagement, according to the league's website.

Eleven years later, Lincoln is now associated with another league: The Great West League, where the Lincoln Potters baseball team is, as of this writing, at the top of the standings and in sole possession of first-place. The Great West League is a collegiate, wood-bat league with teams in Chico, Marysville, Yuba City, Portland, and Medford.

Last year's opening night for the Potters, saw more than 1,600 fans come out to McBean Park Stadium to watch the home team defeat the Marysville Gold Sox.

The team has clearly captured the imagination and hearts of Lincoln residents, some of whom are housing players through the summer.

Matt Lundgren, who ran the Marysville team in 2016, is now the Potter's general manager and said the

# Lincoln's baseball history

Cubs, Tigers, Merchants, and Potters

#### LEAGUE

Placer-Nevada Baseball League

#### YEARS

1923 to 1968 and 2017 to present

#### CHAMPIONSHIPS

1926, 1941, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1954, 1956 and 1957

community support has been incredible, especially for players needing a place to live.

We have about 16 to 18 host families," Lundgren said. "It's incredible. Since Day One, this community has been all in for the return of baseball to Lincoln.

"We also have volunteer ushers and ticket-takers who have been a great help," Lundgren added. "A lot of people have put time and money in to see it successful."

One such volunteer group is the Friends of McBean Park, which is raising money to make improvements to the entire park. Kris Wyatt, one of the leaders of Friends of McBean Park, said the organization's mission is to improve and revitalize McBean Park.

"Phase I of the project is making improvements to the stadium," Wyatt said. "Our goal is to raise \$2 to \$3 million over the next four years without government funding."

Lundgren said the Friends of McBean Park and Lincoln Parks and Recreation Committee member Roger Ueltzen have been crucial to the Potters' early success.

"Without them, this wouldn't happen," Lundgren said. "They spearheaded the baseball movement. The Friends of McBean have raised money for improvements to the stadium and they've gotten the word out to the community."

"I think Lincoln is a great fit for something like this," Lundgren added. "The community cares about what's going on, they want it to be successful and they support local efforts. Baseball is cool in that you don't have to love the game to enjoy it. It's social; it's a great place to gather with friends and family whether you are a fan or not."

Community events in Lincoln are a great place to gather with friends and family.

And, that the past and present are tied together in the historic stadium where the Lincoln Potters of old once played makes me enjoy the experience even more.

Lincoln, I will see you at the ball game.

ABOVE: more than 1,600 fans attended the inaugural opening day for the Lincoln Potters baseball team. BELOW: Lincoln Potters mascot Piper and fan Ella Karsikas are at the Potters' opening day.



#### **Lincoln Potters**

#### WHERE

McBean Park Stadium, 212 First St., Lincoln

June 1 – July 29

#### INFO

916-209-3444 or lincolnpotters.com



### More than a

lue Line Arts is more than just a gallery. Yes, it has several open rooms full of art - sculptures, paintings, drawings and, most recently, a mixed media show by Yale graduate Jim Piskoti — but it also has a full roster of new art education classes for young and old alike.

Among the many ongoing and upcoming events are Art Night at the Blue, a monthly wine and art event, Beginning Painting, a six-week course for adult beginners, and Super Saturday Art Academy for kids between the ages of 5 and 10.

"We're putting a stronger focus on education," said April Frost, arts education coordinator. "We want to reach more of the community.'

One of the ways Blue Line has done that is with their new course, Painting Together, a seven-week multi-generational art experience for all ages.

Deidre Trudeau, known as Miss Dee by most of her students, teaches the Wednesday evening class in the back of the gallery, surrounded by art, both finished and in-progress. Her eight students are comprised of children, parents and grandparents.

During the first class, Miss Dee showed her students a canvassed example of what they will be striving for: Autumn aspens along a thin dirt trail.

"You'll get here," she told them. "But for now we're just practicing."

Among those practicing were Caitlin Tran and her grandfather Hiep Ha. They laughed quietly as they brushed the outline of aspen trunks on their paper, admiring each other's work while Miss Dee explained the difference between primary and secondary colors.

#### **Blue Line Arts**

405 Vernon Street, Roseville

#### WHEN

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays and 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Sunday

916-783-4117 or bluelinearts.com





"I saw this course advertised," Caitlin said. "I wanted to spend more time with my grandfather."

Blue Line reaches out to their community in ways both educational and philanthropic.

"We change shows every six weeks," Natsoulas said. "It's always something new and different."





# EXERCISE in disguise BY MACKENZIE MYERS

■ itness" typically brings to mind weights, treadmills and running shoes. Rockin' Jump, a trampoline park coming to Roseville later this month, seeks to turn that idea on its head, providing around 25,000 square feet of trampolines for workouts of a different sort.

The Rockin' Jump facility's main attraction is an open jump area, but there are also slam-dunk basketball lanes, a dodgeball arena, a 28foot climbing wall and a 32-foot stunt bag. Guests can hold birthday parties, retreats or other organized events in the park's four dedicated party rooms. The Roseville franchise will also be the first to have a 3,000-square-foot laser tag arena, said owner Vince Hodges.

On certain nights of the week, there are jump times dedicated to teens. There are also early-morning time slots where parents can bring toddlers in to play safely without having larger people around. Though the trampoline park is geared toward kids between the ages of 8 and 14, according to Hodges, plenty of adults come in to jump too.

For adults who bring their kids but don't wish to partake in the action, the Roseville facility will have a

### **Rockin Jump**

#### WHERE

384 North Sunrise Avenue, Suite 130, Roseville

#### WHEN

3-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-755-0030 or roseville.rockinjump.com

parents' lounge with TVs and a cafe where they can purchase coffee or snacks. Hodges said the lounge also has screens hooked up to cameras that monitor activity, so parents can keep an eye on their children while they socialize.

"We have cameras monitoring everything to make sure our staff is on point," Hodges said.

He also prioritizes safety and cleanliness. Jumpers are required to wear special socks with grips on the bottom, which keeps them from slipping and keeps the facility clean. The building will also have air scrubbers to keep the area fresh, and Hodges explained that the material covering bags and cushions can easily be cleaned.

# Roseville makes a

# at uncommon waterpark

# FAMILY FUN BY NOELLE KONRAD PHOTOS BY NOELLE KONRAD

#### **Wake Island Waterpark**

#### WHERE

7633 Locust Road, Pleasant Grove

#### WHEN

11 a.m-6 p.m. weekends and noon-6 p.m. weekdays June through August. In addition, the obstacle course is open weekends in September and May and wakeboarding is open April through October.

#### INFO

916-655-3900 or wakeislandwaterpark.com

oel Carter and his wife Rain have created something not very commonly seen in California. The two have developed the largest cable park in the nation spanning more than 80 acres with four lakes.

"It was a property that had gone bankrupt. They were catfish farming," owner Noel Carter said. "The idea was to grow into it (the property)."

This summer is the fifth season since they have opened and the fun only continues to spread with cables for wakeboarding, an obstacle course, a new zip line and more.

While many waterparks are catered to youth alone, Wake Island can be described as more of an adventure park meets resort with actual sandy beaches.

"It really is a day at the beach," Carter said.

Carter wasn't one for lake days as a kid. In fact his experience wakeboarding was less than thrilling. Carter attended college at San Luis Obispo where he enrolled in an exchange program to Asia. There he ended up launching a career and staying for 10 years. While in Asia, a friend of his reluctantly dragged him to a cable park. His prior experience wakeboarding left him less than enthusiastic about going, but he quickly changed his mind.

"Within three days I was hooked for life," Carter said. After finding the property, it was perfect. It had been abandoned for two years. The lakes were already there and just needed some additional maintenance in preparation for Wake Island. The Carters repurposed what was just sitting there.

Wakeboarding and the obstacle course are not the only activities to indulge in. Anything from paddle boarding, to zip lining, to enjoying the swimming beach and more is offered for a perfect day in the sun for any age. Bring anything a normal beach day would require; only no outside food or drink is allowed. The Beach Hut Deli and Island Grill provide all the necessities when it comes to hunger and hydration.

# **Fast Track Hobbies offers**

# OLD-FASHIONED FU

ick any Saturday night and it's likely that the three slot car race tracks at Fast Track Hobbies are packed with people of all ages, racing against each other. Though slot car racing — a sport involving small cars propelled by electric currents in a track — hit its stride in the 60s, it's making a comeback, at least within the walls of this hobby shop.

The weekends are busy from open to close, and the tracks take up about half the store's 11,000 square feet.

"The first thing people say when they come in is, 'I didn't realize it was this big," says Michael McCann, who's worked at the store for a year. He describes it as a "full-service hobby store," and says its clientele, ranging from preschoolers to senior citizens, is as varied as its wares.

In addition to nearly 500 feet of raceways, the shop has over 10,000 items for sale, most of which are components for toy cars. Products cover a vast range: puzzles, metal detectors, kites, remote-controlled vehicles, science kits and more. There's a birthday party room, a play area for kids and a small mechanic shop that looks almost ex-



**READY, SET, GO:** 

The store's slot car race tracks total almost 500 feet in length.

actly like one for an ailing Chevrolet, except this shop's parts are scaled to the miniature and battery-operated.

If someone is unable or unwilling to repair a broken toy, employees will fix it at the store's mechanic shop for an hourly fee. But Adamson says many people are eager to learn to do it themselves.

"You can come here and work, get advice, collaborate," says Adamson, sitting at one of the shop's workbenches. "You can hang out. We're not exactly a bar, but it's that kind of atmosphere."

#### **Fast Track Hobbies**

#### WHERE

6831 Lonetree Boulevard, Rocklin

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-784-1722 or fthobbies.com



# Inspiring EXPLORATION

ey, Roseville! Want to save water, energy and money? Whether you know it or not, your city has an education center to help you fix a leak, create compost for your garden and cut down on your energy bill. It's true. Just ask any first grader.

The Roseville Utility Exploration Center, opened in 2008, is funded by the Roseville Electric Utility and Environmental Utilities companies. This is special because both entities are city run and they are funded by a small portion of its annual budget, Brayden Mitchell the center's interpretive services specialist said.

"The City of Roseville is unique," Mitchell said regarding the center. "It's all government run." Mitchell said.

#### **PROGRAMS**

On average, 36,000 visitors pour through the doors of the center annually, 7,000 of them are school children. Most every student in Roseville has been on a field trip to the facility and are educated on recycling, conserving and living more sustainably.

And the events are aplenty.

"It would take me forever to name every single one of them," Mitchell said.

And he's right. A check on the website shows programs for solar energy, composting, gardening, identifying water leaks, tours of water treatment plants, energy conservation and waste reduction, to name a few. Brownies and Girl Scouts can also earn badges by taking tours at the center.

For homeowners, pop in to find out about utility re-

### **Roseville Utility Exploration Center**

1501 Pleasant Grove Blvd, Roseville

#### WHEN

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday

#### INFO

916) 746-1550 or roseville.ca.us

bates. The programs are for everyone, but especially for the future adults of Roseville.

"It's primarily for young families and kids," Mitchell said. This is verifiable as the most popular exhibit is a heap of garbage that sits in the center.

We have a huge trash pile. Kids love to crawl around it," Mitchell said. "The kids want to go through it a couple of times."

And, if you're an adult, it's OK to take a turn through the pile, too.

#### MISSION

It's mostly fun and games at the center, but education remains the focus.

"(The mission) is to provide education and information to Roseville families in ways to work with utilities to help save and conserve," Mitchell said.

Not every city can say there is a resource in the community that helps them save the Earth and money.

Yea, Roseville just got a little cooler.

### **Exhibits at the Roseville Utility Exploration Center**

#### VIDEO GLOBE

A three-foot diameter revolving globe runs nine different visual programs. Begin a tour with a six-minute video displayed through the globe on the problem of climate change, what it means to Roseville, city efforts to lessen resource depletion and how individual actions can bring about change.

#### **WASTEFUL WORLD**

This mountain of trash is a kidfavorite feature that explores how today's convenient lifestyle has led to increasing waste, which is quickly filling up landfills. The interactive display lets visitors open clever portals to uncover facts about waste and recycling opportunities.

#### THE GREEN HOUSE

Under a green house framework, this exhibit features interesting facts about common household items and activities that contribute to climate change, along with alternative actions that can undo harmful impacts. Visitors can also use their own power to light an incandescent and LED bulb and make a hair dryer work.

#### **GREEN/NOT-GREEN GAME SHOW**

The miniature city model offers a virtual representation of Roseville that helps demonstrate how the city's utilities deliver service and what they are doing to address the challenges of limited resources and carbon generation. An interactive game show quizzes questions about utility operations, sustainability efforts, and opportunities to use fewer resources.

#### PLANET PROTECTORS **COMIC STRIP WALL**

The Roseville Utility Exploration Center's Planet Protectors are three extraordinary kids — working together to solve mysteries and save our planet. These limited edition Planet Protector books are illustrated by Bernard Chang, a freelance artist and regular contributor at DC and Marvel Comics.

#### **GREEN HOUSE MAKEOVER**

The interactive wall display explains how actions at home have an impact on the environment. Designed to get people thinking about conservation, the display looks at energy savings, watershed protection, trash reduction and water efficiency.

# A cool way to

# BEATTHE HEA

BY NOELLE KONRAD
PHOTOS BY NOELLE KONRAD

uite easily one of the most popular hangouts of the summer is Roseville's Golfland Sunsplash. The park opened in 1997 with just a wavepool and a lazy river. My how the years have brought change. Now the 13-acre property is host to two 18-hole miniature golf courses, 5,000 square foot laser tag arena, a go-cart race track, food court, full water park and arcade that can hold up to 160 games, including parking.

On average, the park will host 3,500 attendees during the day with anywhere from 2,500 to 3,000 people in attendance during the night.

"I call Sunsplash, an extreme water park," General Manager Steve Rodgers said. "There is something for everybody."

Some of the rides can be extreme and have a height regulation of 48 inches whereas other play areas are perfect for smaller children.

"If you are above 48 inches you can ride all the slides," Rodgers said.

When packing for a day at Sunsplash it is important to remember these key items:

- Sunscreen
- A towel, the park sells them but does not supply them
- Stay hydrated and bring a sealed nonglass water bottle
- Proper swim gear
- Bring out whatever you bring in

"I've been in the business for 40 years and it would shock you all the stuff that they (customers) lose," Rogers said.

Outside food is not allowed inside of the



park premises. However, there is a covered picnic area just outside of the castle doors where people can enjoy a packed lunch. There is also a food court inside the arcade that serves an array of comfort foods and classic fast-food items.

A Subway is located inside the castle as well as a concession that serves chicken strips, hot dogs, hamburgers, pizza, and more.

"We make our own pizza so it tastes really good," Rodgers said.

Within Sunsplash there are seven pools and 30 slides and counting. For safety measures, there are at least 65 lifeguards on duty with two EMTs at all times.

The pools are also on a constant filtration system for optimal cleanliness. The water is backwashed once a week and a spot vacuuming occurs often.

"It's pretty self cleaning," Rodgers said.

Sunsplash has become famous for their extensive slides and small space. In fact many in the industry will use Sunsplash as a verb. "We are going to Sunsplash this ride" is a term now used by other parks when designing a new slide in tight quarters efficiently.

For a long time Golfland Sunsplash was the only company who had a roller coaster slide that pushed its riders uphill. Now there is one other location in California who mimicked them.

The park is open year round with the exception of Christmas Day. The water park, however, is only open for approximately 90 days with their opening to the public on Memorial Day Weekend.

That being said, the fun continues yearround especially with the golf courses. Over a million lights are put up for Halloween and Christmas that move along with the music that plays. It might be cold, but it is a good time.

Golfland Sunsplash is a family-owned business run by five brothers and one sister, two of whom are local to the area. They currently own eight parks and are continuing to expand.



### Fun activities to do at Golfland Sunsplash

#### KING BENS CASTLE

The iconic towers of this castle can be seen off of the interstate, building excitement for the family fun center inside. An arcade with around 200 video games reside inside, along with 5,000 square feet of laser tag and a food court all within a medieval atmosphere.

#### MINI GOLF

The two 18-hole miniature golf courses are both different experiences. Course No. 1 is the Adventure Golf and course No. 2 is themed the Lost Continent Golf.

#### **FASTCAR RACEWAY**

"See you at the finish line" is often shouted to friends and family on the go cart racetrack.

#### SPLISH SPLASH: At

left, the stormrider is a massive drop from seven stories up. Go almost vertical inside the bowl. Can be ridden with more than one person at a time.

### **Golfland Sunsplash**

#### WHERE

1893 Taylor Road, Roseville

#### WHEN

Check the website for hours

#### **INFO**

916-784-1273 or golfland.com

# THINGS TO DO BY JAMIE HAZELTON COURTESY AND FILE PHOTOS in Placer Valley when it's raining

on't let cabin fever set in during those long, dark, wet rainy days. Get out and about with plenty of activities to do indoors in the area. There must be something out there for most types of people to enjoy. Here are Placer Valley's top dozen.







## **FOR THE COMPETITIVE**

#### **Xtreme Craze**

#### WHERE

6694 Lone Tree Boulevard, Rocklin

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday

#### INFO

916-259-2729 or xtremecraze.com

Extreme Craze offers the most advanced laser tag with a 7,000 square foot multi-level laser tag arena. Up to 46 players participate in each session with real time scoring. Each session is 40 minutes. Play several five minute games.

## **FOR THE STRESSED**

#### The spa at Kilaga Springs

#### WHERE

1187 Sun City Blvd., Lincoln

9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday

#### INFO

916-408-4290 kilagaspringsspa.com

Kilaga Springs is a lodge in Lincoln Hills, and since 2004, has been a place to soothe your soul, rejuvenate your body, and restore your health. The spa prides itself in giving customers personalized treatment for their special needs.

# FOR THE PROBLEM SOLVER

#### **Beat the Room**

#### WHERE

6840 Five Star Boulevard Suite #100, Rocklin

5-10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 2-10 p.m. Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday

916-259-2432 or beattheroom.com

Beat the Room is an escape room experience. Players solve a series of puzzles and riddles using strategy, clues, hints, elements of the space and critical thinking to unveil the secret plot within the room with in the set time limit.





## **FOR THE CREATIVE**

#### The Art Bistro

#### WHERE

6848 Five Star Boulevard #6, Rocklin

#### WHEN

11 a.m. – 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-472-0252 or theartbistro.com

The Art Bistro satisfies the creative mind, hunger and thirst. Enjoy food and drink while creating a masterpiece. Art projects include acrylic painting, glass painting, 3D drawing, collages, mosaics, ceramic painting, clay sculpture and more.

## **FOR THE HISTORIAN**

#### Maidu Museum and Historic Site

#### WHERE

1960 Johnson Ranch Drive, Roseville

#### WHEN

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday

#### INFO

916-774-5934 or roseville.ca.us/museum

Learn about the Nisenan Maidu who called this region home for thousands of years. Experience the heritage of the Maidu Native American's history and culture. The museum offers exhibits, interpretive programs, multimedia presentations and more.

## FOR THE ATHLETE

#### Skatetown

1009 Orlando Avenue, Roseville

Call or check the website for public skating times

#### INFO

916-783-8550 or skatetown.biz

Add some "ice cool" fun to your rainy day. Skatetown Ice Arena is the areas premier state of the art place to ice skate. Enjoy games, snow ball fights, laser light shows and skate along to your favorite song on a public session at Skatetown. No skating experience is necessary.





### FOR THE MOVIE BUFF

#### **Studio Movie Grill**

#### WHERE

5140 Commons Drive, Rocklin

#### WHEN

Call or check the website for movie times

916-238-9000 or studiomoviegrill.com

Studio Movie Grill is an immersive movie-going experience. The theater features nine auditoriums with custom luxury recliners, laser projections, large format auditoriums and state of the art sound systems. Cozy up and out of the rain for a tasty meal and a movie.

## FOR THE WINE CONNOISSEUR

#### **Cante Ao Vinho**

#### WHERE

5250 Front Street, Rocklin

4-8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

530-632-8058 or canteaovinho.com

In Portuguese, Cant Ao Vinho means "sing to the wine." White and red varietals are offered including a port style wine paired with chocolate. In the evening enjoy wine by the glass or bottle with gourmet street food from local truck vendors and live music.

## FOR THE CAFFEINATED

### The Fig Tree Coffee, **Art and Music Lounge**

#### WHERE

222 Vernon Street, Roseville

#### WHEN

6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday

#### INFO

916-771-7010 or figtreecoffee.com

The Fig Tree is a hospitable coffee-lounge where customers can kick-back, relax and get cozy, especially on a cold rainy day. Chat, get some work done, read a book, or play a board game.





## **FOR THE WORKAHOLIC**

#### **House of Oliver**

#### WHERE

3992 Douglas Boulevard #140, Roseville

#### WHEN

3-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 3 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. Happy Hour is 3-6 p.m.

#### INFO

916-773-9463 or houseofoliver.com

House of Oliver is known for one of the best Happy Hours in the region. Bring a friend or some colleagues and chase away those rainy day blues. Happy hour has lots of selections at reasonable prices. The staff takes the time to get to know their customers.

# **FOR THE LUCKY ONE**

#### **Thunder Valley Casino Resort**

#### WHERE

1200 Athens Ave., Lincoln

#### WHEN

The resort is open 24 hours.

916-408-7777 or thundervalleyresort.com

Thunder Valley Casino Resort has over 250,000 square feet of gaming space 14 award-winning restaurants and bars, an outdoor pool, a spa, and more. Win on one of the 3,100 slots, 100 table games, or 34 Poker Room tables. Poker Tournaments are held daily.

## **FOR THE THESPIAN**

#### **Lincoln Theatre Company**

#### WHERE

511 5th St., Lincoln

Call or check the website for showtimes.

916-409-7030 or lincolntheatrecompany.org

The Lincoln Theatre Company provides educational opportunities for both children and adults focused on the performing arts, to showcase local talent and brings an enjoyable educational and theatrical experience to the community, to provide quality entertainment.





A UNIQUE CONCEPT: Above, the Unicorn is a cocktail created by general manager, Doug Diffenderfer. It is a combination of flavors poured over the house-made cotton candy. At left, Co-owner, Kyle Oliver often engages with his customers at both of his locations.

#### **Pink Martini Bar & Bistro**

6700 Lonetree Blvd., Suite 100, Rocklin

11 a.m. - 12 a.m. daily

916-773-7465 or pinkmartinirestaurant.com

ink Martini is a venue that the city of Rocklin has been begging for quite some time. Brothers Kyle and Matthew Oliver opened wine bar, House of Oliver, three years ago and heard the cry of the people for more.

"We really need something out here. The support has been tremendous," said co-owner Kyle Oliver. "Residents really like something local. I think they really appreciate that we listened."

The brothers were interested in creating a brand and concept that was fun, attractive and intriguing without being gimmicky, Oliver said.

'We are always working on the next project together. Over the course of the last year ... there has been kind of this momentum ball rolling," Oliver said. "We are not an ultra lounge or a club or anything like that."

That being said, they also did not want to play it safe when conceiving the completely unique concept.

"We wanted to push it a little bit," Oliver said. "If you are going to come up with a name like Pink Martini, there's really got to be substance behind it, because otherwise it is just a gimmick and gimmicks don't really last very long."

With the name came the signature drink, the Pink Martini. All of the craft cocktails were tried and tested in House of Oliver before opening Pink Martini. Unlike House of Oliver, Pink Martini always had the intention of being a full restaurant. Finding Chef Derrick Sand helped achieve the goal of upscale cuisine.

"He completely was able to up our game," Oliver said. "We are making everything from scratch. He is doing things his way, the right way."

One of the most popular drink options is the Pink Martini, which can be ordered naughty or nice. The naughty version is one step toward a jalapeño martini without the extra kick of the pepper being muddled. Ordering naughty or nice is pretty much 50/50 in popularity and all cocktails are made with 100 percent fresh squeezed juices.

The Unicorn is another popular cocktail, although it is not on the menu. It is a cocktail poured over house-made cotton candy that is infused will many unexpected flavors. It has a surprising finish and is not overly sweet for being poured over whipped sugar.

"Again it (the cotton candy) is to add a fun aspect to the brand," said Oliver.

When it comes to food, Kyle and Matthew Oliver wanted to serve upscale cuisine more than have fine dining. The focus is more for people to enjoy the atmosphere and have a good time in a fun and vibrant venue.

"What I really don't appreciate is fine dining that is boring," Oliver said. "We want our customers to experience delicious cocktails and delicious cuisine at the same time.'

Some of the favorites so far include the beef tenderloin and any of the seafood entrées, from oysters to octopus and albacore.

In regards to dessert the crème brulee has been consistently a crowd pleaser.

"We have never had a microwave; we have never had a freezer," Oliver said. "It's made from scratch, we have no other way."

The banquet room is ideal for large parties and can hold up to 30 seated and the year-round patio can accommodate up to 150 guests.

"There are not many patios like this one," Oliver said.

For the Oliver brothers, it was always a bucket list item to open restaurants and wine bars together. Kyle Oliver's utilized his background in the high-end fashion industry to do the interior design.

We want to take it as far as we want to," Oliver said. "We put the art in martini."

# KARAOKE SCEN is alive and well in Lincoln BY STEVE ARCHER araoke nights in Lincoln sometimes feel like a family gathering, said long-time karaoke jockey Jim Baughman.

"I've been doing it for seven years in Lincoln," said Baughman, who hosts karaoke night twice a week at the Sterling Café and once a week at Orchid Thai Restaurant. "There are a bunch of regulars and a lot of repeat singers. It kind of turns into a family situation after a while."

"I enjoy playing music for the singers," Baughman said. "As long as they keep showing up, I'll keep playing."

Baughman said he could not determine a favorite song among his customers but he could recall some bad renditions of one particular song.

"I hear so many songs every night," Baughman said. "Like Willie Nelson said once, 'You know how many women it takes to sing 'Crazy?' Every one of them."

"I hear some good ones and some that are right on the edge," Baughman added. "They have a blast and that's the name of the game."

Some of the singers are more familiar with the songs they want to sing than others, according to Baughman. "They don't know what chord the song will be played in again," Baughman said. "If it looks like a regular, I try to create a list for them. Get up and have fun, that's the name of the game. I think that's what karaoke means."

"There are some really good singers out there and some are just starting out," said Baughman, adding one rule of thumb for karaoke. "Usually, a lot of karaoke singers don't want to sing a song if it has already been done that night."

Baughman, who uses a computer and external hard drive, said singing karaoke at both the Sterling Café and Orchid Thai Restaurant is free. There is no charge to sing karaoke at Dillian's Bar and Grill, either.

"There is no cover charge but both places are restaurants and I'm sure the owners would like it if people buy something," Baughman said. "I sing occasionally but I'm a guitar player and I'd rather play than sing. I sing a duet with my wife once in a while, 'Every time two fools collide,' by Kenny Rogers and Dottie West."

#### Karaoke in Lincoln

Sterling Café, 820 Sterling Parkway No. 110: Orchid Thai Restaurant, 835 Twelve Bridges Drive; and Dillian's Bar and Grill, 605 Lincoln Boulevard.

7 p.m. Thursdays and Saturdays (Sterling Café), 9 p.m. Fridays (Orchid Thai Restaurant) and 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays (Dillian's Bar and Grill).

Free to sing karaoke at any of the three locations. Customary to tip the karaoke



### The Boxing Donkey

#### WHERE

300 Lincoln Street, Roseville

11:30 a.m. – 9 p.m. Monday – Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday

#### INFO

916-797-3665 or theboxingdonkey.com

## The luck of the neighborhood

BY SCOTT THOMAS ANDERSON

PHOTOS BY DOUG GULER

amine ships" took the Irish to the East Coast before laying rail lines brought them out West, and in Roseville their immigrant dream settled into a vision of squealing boxcars, secret saloon tunnels and overworked men hiding from the Women's Temperance League. The Barker Hotel is a survivor from those days, and the Boxing Donkey Irish Pub in its belly is a popular tribune to the shamrock side of Roseville's memories.

Today, "the Donkey" is one of the only Celtic havens in greater Sacramento where patrons can drink Guinness while listening to Irish-punk and Gaelic-roots music. It also serves pub cuisine so in-demand it might be, as the Irish say, "a double-dose of original sin."

It's long into a midweek afternoon and daylight pours through the high, arched window that was once the doorway to Charles Barker's hotel.

But the real draw for foodies is what chefs Michael Reese and Melyssa Tucey are cooking in the back kitchen. One of the bar's most valued dishes is its Saint Patty's Melt, a burger on thin, toasted Rye, covered in hot jack



and cheddar cheese, caramelized red onions and a splattering of Thousand Island dressing.

Tucey opened the Boxing Donkey in 2008 and runs it with co-owner Kendl Schubert. Schubert has proven to the pub's fans she has an uncanny ability for remembering local faces and their favorite orders. She's also the master at mixing up the Donkey's signature cocktails, like "the Old Irish 'Ass," a swirl of Tanqueray Old Tom Gin, fresh lime juice, Cock n' Bull ginger beer and hard apple cider, or "the Boxing Burro," a blend of Tequila Cabeza, Triple Sec, fresh lime juice, acrid elements and orange juice.

"I think this part of town adds a certain charm to an Irish pub," Tucey reflects. "It's the old brick buildings and all the history that's behind all of these walls down here."



# **Quarry Park's**

# **CONCERTS IN THE PARK**

BY NOFILE KONRAD COURTESY PHOTO

uarry Park's construction was completed in 2016, just in time for its first season. The City of Rocklin has taken great measures in beautifying the space and enticing locals and eager tourists to this destination spot.

"The quarry has been out here forever," Bob Hilton, manager of business development for the City of Rocklin.

The park's season is slated to open April 8 with a welcome-all faire at no cost to attendees. This event will include music, treats and more and will kick off the season's concerts.

"Gather" is a monthly event that will take place with free admission.

Quarry Park is evolving more and more each year. "(We want to make it) as pretty as possible," Hil-

Zip lines, rope climbing, picnic areas, and an entire adventure park are in the works. Rocklin Adventure Park is anticipated to open by summer 2018.

"The adventure continues with everything we do," said Hilton. "(It) used to be isolated and unused and now it is beautiful and becoming a destination. Come out and enjoy it."

### **Ouark Park Concert Schedule**

#### APRIL 28

The Georgia Satellites featuring a special opening show by Alastair Greene

#### JUNE 2

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Rock the Quarry, a three band '80s rock tribute showcase featuring the music of Toto, Journey and Styx.

Frankie Avalon, American Bandstand Rock & Roll, with a special performance from Peter Petty.

#### TICKETS

Tickets start at \$32.99 for general admission. Other ticket options include a discounted four-pack of tickets, seated options and a special VIP ticket that includes meet and greets with the artists and front-of-the-house seats. Buy them online at RocklinEvents. Eventbrite.com

#### INFO

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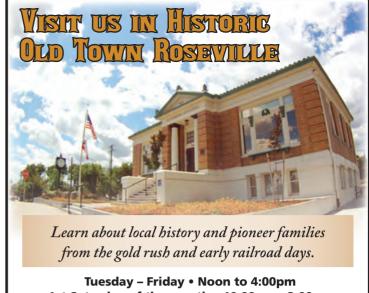
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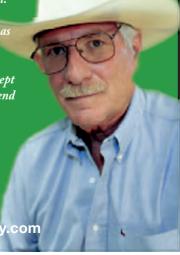
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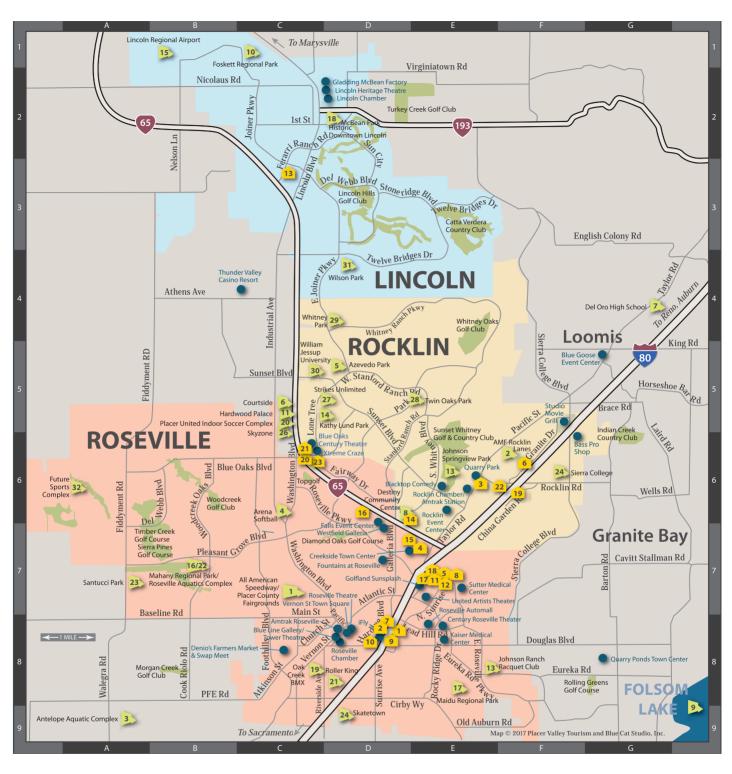
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"Whether it be dog shows @the Grounds, the Placer County Fair @the Grounds or a host of other events @the Grounds, we believe the name is an optimal fit for the modern facilities and events that will soon emerge here," said Placer Valley Tourism and @the Grounds CEO David Attaway.

Renovations began in mid-July to Jones and Johnson halls. New landscaping along Washington Boulevard, repaving of the main parking lot and another 21 repairs are also planned for the Roseville site. These changes, expected to be completed by end of the year, are to ensure the facilities are up-to-date, accessible to all and accommodating to more groups that wish to use the complex.

While upgrades are being made, staff is also seeking approval of a 5,000-person, 130,000-square-foot events center that would be built on a vacant parcel on the west end of the property.

As many as 300 events and conferences per year could be hosted @the Grounds starting in 2019 after the completion of the renovations and construction of the new events center. The annual economic impact is estimated to be \$12 million to the cities of Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln.

In addition, @the Grounds has announced that innovative industry veteran, Gabrielle Stevenson, will return to Placer County to oversee the newly renovated events site.

"Gabrielle transformed a struggling events center in Texas into a premier destination in the greater Dallas area," said Attaway. "We are thrilled to have her return to Northern California and have great confidence in her





ability to make @the Grounds a world-class destination for amateur sports and community events."

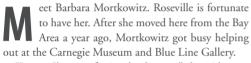
Stevenson joins @the Grounds after seven years serving as General Manager of the Texas Motorplex in Ennic Texas

"I'm thrilled for this opportunity to come back home to help ensure @the Grounds becomes a place that will attract conventions, tournaments and community events year round," said Stevenson, who graduated from Oakmont High School and earned her degree from Sacramento State University.

Stevenson lives in Roseville with her twin boys, Jake and Luke

# Meet BARBARA **MORTKOWIT7**

BY JULIE MILLER PHOTOS RV IIII IE MILLER



"I guess I'm a professional volunteer," she said.

Mortkowitz spends 15-30 hours a month at the museum alone, depending on its need.

What she likes most about volunteering is working with the staff.





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557 Lincoln Street, Roseville

WHEN

Noon- 4 p.m. Monday through Friday

916-773-3003 or rosevillehistorical.org

Mortkowitz is no newbie when it comes to volunteering. Throughout her life she's assisted theater and art groups. When she landed in Roseville, she fell in love with its old industrial and warehouse buildings. Curious about their past, she discovered there was a historical society in town and read a book on the town's history. When she met with a past curator of the Carnegie Museum who was very enthusiastic, Mortkowitz was compelled to join the group. She signed up on

Shortly thereafter, the curator stepped down and there was much to do for the Historical Society.

Eager to help, Mortkowitz offered her services.

"Now that I'm a member, what can I do?" she asked. Quickly, Mortkowitz was put to work at the museum.

She helped set up a display of four historic homes in Roseville, which is now her favorite exhibit at the museum. For this arrangement, the museum worked with Sierra College's Hacker Lab. It is complete with a laser-cut model of one of the homes.

What would the Carnegie Museum do without volunteers like Mortkowitz?

"I think it would function, but it would take a lot longer," she said.

She also said volunteers help market the museum since they take pride in what they do and tell their friends and families about their work.

This marketing helps the community discover the treasures of their hometown.

"There is more to Roseville than the Galleria and The Fountains," she said. "Come to Lincoln Street and Vernon Street."

And meet precious volunteers like Barbara Mortkowitz, right in our backyard.

### **Heritage Trail Museums Tour**

The Heritage Trail Museums Tour is back, with 21 museums from Tahoe to Roseville open for special events at different times through Labor Day weekend.

Starting in mid-June, the Heritage Trail will provide historical happenings to keep young minds and hands occupied while linking adults with Placer's vibrant, colorful past.

And a student scavenger hunt has been added to help bring history more alive for children going into first to 12th grades in Placer County in August. Schoolchildren are eligible to play by answering 10 questions, with clues at Placer museums.

"Our goal is to introduce history and museums to students in a fun way," Placer Museums Administrator Ralph Gibson said. "Many people don't like history until they get much older. The Heritage Trail allows them to enjoy museums more, with each museum providing special hands-on activities."

The Heritage Tour, which draws visitors from the Bay Area and Reno as well as locally, welcomed 5,000 history seekers in summer 2016, according to county statistics.

Along the Heritage Trail, museumgoers will learn everything from Placer's Native American heritage to its timber and mining past to the important place transportation had in forging county

Visit http://theheritagetrail.blogspot. com/ for dates and museums open throughout the summer as part of the Heritage Trail.

# Five picks

# AT LINCOLN ARCHIVES MUSEUM

BY JULIE MILLER PHOTOS BY IIII IF MILLER

ere are the top six items to see at the Lincoln Archives Museum. The museum is located at 640 5th St, Lincoln and can be reached at 916-645-3800.

Betty Brown, a registered nurse who served in the Army Nurses Corp., lined the inside of her jacket with dozens of patches that were given to her from injured enlisted personnel. The coat's liner is on display at the museum. Kathy Freeman, one of the museum's volunteers, said military personnel have seen the liner at the museum and told her some of the patches hold much value. The liner is on loan to the museum from the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

This buggy was owned by Lincoln resident Oliver Grey. Grey, 93, is a retired insurance man and according to museum volunteers, he used to ride the buggy on Fourth Street in Lincoln. The carriage was restored by Native Sons and can be seen in the lobby of the Lincoln Archives Museum.

> Seven pennants are on display dating back to the 1950s from the Lincoln Potters baseball team. The Potters team was reestablished last year and a bat and ball were donated to the museum by the 2017 team.

A Lincoln collection would not be complete without pieces from Gladding McBean. Some pieces on display at the museum are seconds and found in fields around Lincoln. A stove pipe, donated by Freeman, dates back to the 1950s to late 1940s and once occupied a part of her garden.





This heavy-duty cash register was once busily working away at the Lincoln Inn, now a vacant building. It is so mighty that it used to sit on a marble-topped cabinet which cracked from the weight. The Lincoln Archives volunteers believe the cash register to be empty but have been unable to successfully operate the hefty piece and open the cash drawers to verify their hunch. The cash register is on loan by Primo Santini III.

### **MUSEUMS**

#### **Carnegie Museum**

#### WHERE

557 Lincoln St. Roseville

#### INEO

916-773-3003

### Griffith Quarry Museum

#### WHERE

7504 Rock Springs Roads, Penryn

#### INFO

530-889-6500

#### Lincoln Area Archives Museum

#### WHFR

604 5th St., Lincoln

#### **INFO**

916-645-3800 or

#### Maidu Museum

#### WHERE

1970 Johnson Ranch Dr. Roseville

#### INFO

916-774-5934

### Rocklin History Museum

#### WHERE

3895 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin

#### INFO

916-624-3464

### Roseville Telephone Museum

#### WHERE

106 Vernon St. Roseville

#### INFO

916-786-1621

### Sierra College Natural History Museum

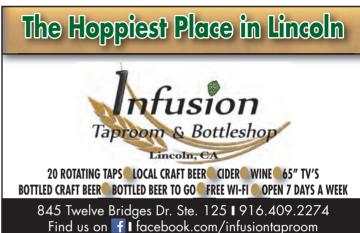
#### WHERE

5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin

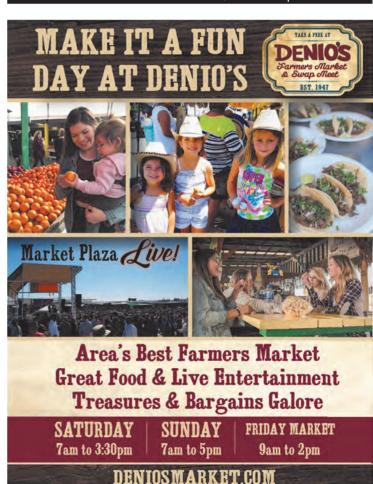
#### INFO

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# LIVING FIT

# at Lincoln parks

tou may not need a gym membership after all you visit some of the nearby parks in Lincoln. There are more than two handfuls of parks to choose from. Lincoln boasts of 18 parks within its city limits, the newest ones being the Robert "Chief" Jimenez Park near Highway 65 and Ferarri Ranch Road, and Dr. Nathan Dubin Park in southwest Lincoln. Each park is unique with its own distinct amenities and features. But they all share places outdoors where you can get more exercise and live a fitter life.

Exercising in Lincoln's parks is at residents' reach. Here's a look at what's available at different parks, depending on interests.

#### **TEAM SPORTS**

Football, baseball, softball and soccer players will want to try out the lighted complexes at Foskett Regional Park on 1911 Finney Way. Joiner Park on 1710 Nicolaus Road also offers two football/soccer fields and a diamond for either baseball or softball. Peter Singer Park on 371 Danbury Drive and Twelve Bridges Park on 2550 Eastridge Drive also fields available for team sports. If you're interested in joining a team, download the 2018 Recreation Guide from lincolnrec.net.

#### **SWIMMING AND SKATING**

McBean Park on 65 McBean Park Drive is the place to head if you're up for skateboarding. You can also enjoy their swimming pool or cool off in their spray park, which is a great place to take kids during the summer.

#### WALKING, RUNNING OR JOGGING

Many of the parks in Lincoln feature beautiful trail systems where you can enjoy fresh air and invigorating exercise, regardless of age or speed. Auburn Ravine Park, Coyote Pond Park, Markham Park, Dr. Nathan Dubin Park are a few that feature trails. If you've got an infant and have been wondering how to work exercise back into your life, grab the stroller and try visiting a new park each day to see which one works best.

#### **EXERCISING WITH LITTLE ONES**

As children get bigger and don't fit too well in strollers anymore, you can still stay in shape by taking advantage of the many playgrounds available at the parks. If you see any playgrounds with poles, do a few pull ups and bar dips to work out the muscles while playing "pirate ship" with the kids. Some parks, like the newer Dr. Nathan Dubin Park, features exercise equipment along the trail, so you can get more of a variety of light strength training in.

#### PERFECT FOR PUPS

This 10-acre Auburn Ravine Park is light on human amenities, but it makes up for it with it's dedicated, off-leash dog park not found anywhere else in Lincoln. Humans and canines alike will enjoy the gorgeous Auburn Ravine preserve that runs along the trail from Moore Road to the cutoff at Ferrari Ranch Road.

#### A RIDE TO THE PARK

Many of the parks in Lincoln are accessible via bicycle on streets that have bike lanes. Joiner Parkway and Twelve Bridges Drive have Class II bike lanes that span large sections of Lincoln. If you're interested in mapping a route to a park from your house, try using an app like Google Maps, which features a bicycle mode to chart suggested routes on bicycle. You can also download the City of Lincoln Bike Trail Map from ci.lincoln.ca.us.



### City of Lincoln parks

WEBSITE

lincolnrec.net

PHONE

916-434-3220







**GROWING UP:** Top left, ag-biology students exit the garden plot area at the Lincoln High School farm, All ag-bio students have their own garden plot and are growing winter vegetables.

# Lincoln High School Farm is

# ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST

grow crops and raise livestock and the other is in a conservation easement.

Lincoln High School's farm, at 940 acres, is one of the largest in the state if not the nation. Mike Trueblood, a Lincoln High School agriculture teacher and Future Farmer of America (FFA) advisor, said he can't verify where it ranks nationally in size but "it's certainly bigger than many college farms."

"At this site, we primarily grow hay," Trueblood said of the 405-acre site. "We also have 30 acres of rice, a small fruit and nut orchard, and a one-acre pumpkin patch."

Trueblood added that every agriculture-biology student also has a planter box in the garden area. It is a requirement that every ag-biology student enroll in the FFA student leadership program. Currently, new farm classrooms for the Western Placer Unified School district high school are under construction.

The 405-acre site is also home to 30 head of cattle (beef), more than 20 goats, eight sheep and a few chickens. The site also has a 10-acre pond and wetland area for wildlife habitat.

"No dairy," Trueblood said. "Anything dairy means milking twice per day."

And no pigs, said teacher Morgan Perry.

"Pigs are the only animal we don't have out here because they stress easily," Perry said. "With all of the noise and construction, they might just die of a heart attack. It's not worth it."

Perry added that Trueblood oversees the sheep, Cassandra Walker looks after the goats and Jessica Armistead has small animals.

"The sheep are breeding ewes," Perry said. "We sell

wo parcels, 405 acres and 535 acres; one is used to most of the lambs as student projects and incorporate some back into the herd. I kind of do more of the lead-

Perry also teaches welding at the school farm.

"I have 30 kids for each welding class and all five classes are at capacity," Perry said. "It is a highly-sought-after class; it's hands-on, it's different and teaches the kids a skill they can use later in life."

Among the skills Perry's welding students learn include gas-metal arc welding; shielded-metal arc welding; gas tungsten arc welding and how to use a variety of cutting tools.

Trueblood said teaching agriculture in 2017 is much different than when he started in 1985.

"It's all about ag education and how ag works, exposing kids to different things," Trueblood said. "When I started here, we didn't have to teach a lot of these things because most of the kids came from farming families."

"The new site, 535 acres, is all in a conservation easement for vernal pool habitat," Trueblood said. "All we can do there is graze livestock. At this point, it's just cattle. Right now, the plan is to lease it out to local ranchers to graze."

The Western Placer Unified School District first acquired land for the Lincoln High School farm in 1974, receiving 280 acres in surplus property from the Mc-Clellan Air Force Base Communications annex. In 1984, a shop was added and the hay barn was built in 1989. Classrooms for the farm began serving students in 1998, and in 2006, Wildlands Inc. donated 125 acres to the farm. Most recently, the California Department of Transportation donated a 530-acre property, the Mariner/Rockwell Ranch.

# RV STEVE ARCHER

PHOTOS BY STEVE ARCHER

# **Lincoln High School Farm Facts**

# TOTAL ACRES

940

Hay, rice, pumpkins, fruits and nuts

# LIVESTOCK

Steer, sheep, goats and chickens

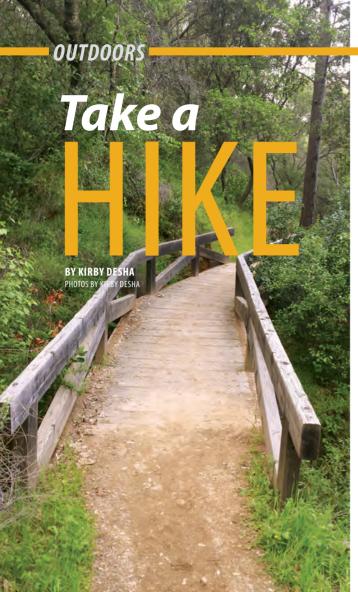
# STUDENTS PER DAY

# WHERE

6060 William Lane, Lincoln

**LEARNING AGRICULTURE:** Above, Sam Whitmire, 18, is a senior at Lincoln High School and is considering a career in welding. Whitmire is a teacher's assistant in the welding class and spends about nine hours per week at the school farm.

Top, sheep are among the livestock that live at the Lincoln High School farm. Most of the lambs are sold to students for livestock projects, according to teacher Morgan Perry.



Griffith Quarry Park



Avery's Pond



Griffith Quarry Park

or me, a day hike falls somewhere between a long walk and a backpacking trip. We are lucky to have several fun hikes in Placer Valley that showcase the natural beauty of the north valley. These can range from easy to moderately strenuous and all are within a half-hour drive from town. Don't forget the snacks, water, and sunscreen.

# **AVERY'S POND**

The trail to Avery's Pond is an easy twomile loop that wanders alongside the North Fork of the American River. It is part of the historic Pioneer Express Trail and is located inside the Rattlesnake Bar recreation area at Folsom Lake. The trailhead begins at the equestrian staging area.

Dogs are allowed if kept on a leash. Since the trail is used by horse riders, one has to be mindful of the occasional leftovers on the trail.

The walk begins on a wide sandy path and narrows as it winds though the shade provided by live oaks. There are some beautiful views of the lake on the right as the trail crosses a series of small wooden bridges.

Once it reaches a man-made, stone watering hole, it crosses one more bridge and opens to the pond itself. The historic oneacre pond was built in the 1880s by Ira Avery, a local rancher who came to California as a teenager in 1874.

The pond is not suitable for swimming or wading, but one can easily access the river by following a short path below the pond. As always, be careful of ticks and the ubiquitous poison oak.

## **FAIRY FALLS**

The Fairy Falls (aka: Beale Falls, aka: Shingle Falls) trail is a lovely five-mile loop through the Spenceville Wildlife area that ends at a 100-foot waterfall.

The hike starts at a large parking lot and covers a lot of different terrain. The trail is wide at the bottom and narrows as it goes up. It's pretty well signed and passes through several beautiful meadows filled with wildflowers before reaching the creek.

The falls are a little way farther up and there's a fence to protect visitors from falling over. The area was once owned by the U.S. Army and was home to a mock German town that was used for training during World War II.

This is a pretty popular hike, where one may pass a lot of families along the way down. So, if you want to beat the crowds get there early.

There is a gate at the entrance that leads to a stone bridge.

Note: I did not see any bathrooms there so be advised.

### **GRIFFITH OUARRY PARK**

I had driven past the Griffith Quarry Park and Museum many, many times before I heard there was a series of trails around and through the 23-acre park.

The outside trail is probably about two miles, while the shorter inner loop trail is maybe half that.

The quarry was founded in 1864 by a Welsh immigrant with matching first and last names - Griffith Griffith. The granite produced at this quarry was considered some of the finest quality stone in the country and was used in many buildings in San Francisco and in the California State Capitol building.

To take the outside loop, start by going to the left out of the parking lot and follow the wide path that leads up through a meadow. There are many benches and picnic tables available along the way.

This trail goes past the old quarry. There are many large, impressive granite outcroppings throughout the park. This is a great area for little ones, but older folks may need to stay to the easier paths as some are rocky and steep. The trails meander and goes in circles a few times. Flora includes the California buckeye, the soap plant, toyon, bush lupine, digger pines and the ever-present poison oak.

There is no charge for entry to the park.

# **HIDDEN FALLS REGIONAL PARK**

Hidden Falls is one of the crown jewels of Placer County. Thanks to the Placer legacy Open Space Program, the 1,200-acre park contains 30 miles of multiple-use, natural surface trails. It can be used for hiking, biking and horseback riding.

There are at least 20 clearly-defined hikes in the park, ranging from easy to difficult. It seems the most popular hike to the falls is the seven-mile loop known as the North Legacy/South Legacy Way.

It's listed as a "moderate" trail and has several steep grades. Expect a three- to four-hour hike on this trail. Throughout the park there are several bridges, benches, viewing decks, swimming holes and vista points offering fantastic views of the Sacramento Valley.

There is a very nice, paved parking area at the base of the trails with restrooms, but no potable water. Be sure to bring your own.

The park is open daily starting one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. There is no charge, but cell service is limited and be sure to watch for ticks!

Visitors are advised to purchase a parking spot online prior to arriving at the park.



incoln is a prime location for cycling. From back roads with narrow lanes and scenic views, to new developments with smooth lanes and flat miles, it's hard to ignore this underlying heartbeat is for road biking and that is a fantastic place to begin.

Tom Frady is a 70-year-old retired Lincoln resident rides three to four times per week with the Lincoln Hills Cyclists for an average of 50 miles each ride. The club was started in 1999 and now consists of about 150 Lincoln Hills residents from 55 to around 85 years old. Three times a week, the club meets and splits up into groups of varying levels of intensity. A team within the club also sets-up, rides and works the Tour de Lincoln every year, according to Fred Higgins, Lincoln Hills Cyclists club president.

# THE PATHS

There are many quiet roads and bike paths through the city of Lincoln that are ideal for beginner bicyclists, but for mountain bikers, other than some beginner trails, there are not many options. For those downhill dirt devils, throw your bike in a truck and head over to Auburn's Hidden Falls or Folsom Lake.

Biking around the Ravello at Sorrento development is a good choice for smooth roads in Lincoln. By staying in neighborhoods, there will be less traffic.

For more flat roads, start on Nicholaus Road, then turn down Nelson Lane. There are a few shoulders and roads are narrow.

For a longer, flat ride, Frady recommends venturing out on McCourtney Road to Big Ben Road, or Staying on McCourtney until Fleming then take Gladding and Rioso roads which will connect with Old Highway 65. The rolling hills create a good variety, but the roads are narrow and there are no shoulders.

Many roads have no shoulders, so riders must be confident and know where to ride — and be visible.

# **VISIBILITY AND SAFETY**

Visibility is a highly important aspect of cycling, especially at dusk or when it's dark. In the Lincoln Hills Cyclists Club, almost every rider has bright, flashing rear lights. There are also lights specifically designed for daylight, and some lights can be seen a by a car a mile away on a straight, flat road.

Most bike wear is now made with reflective materials increase visibility at night. It is illegal to ride a bicycle at night without a front lamp, rear red reflector, and white or yellow reflectors on each pedal, shoe or ankle.

Bicyclists should use hand signals when turning to notify vehicles, pedestrians or other cyclists before turning, and always ride in the same direction as traffic.

# SHARE THE ROAD

The law requires vehicles to leave three feet between their car and a bicyclist. But depending on the speed of the vehicle, the bicyclist can usually still feel it. Most lanes are 11 feet wide from the double yellow to the white line, and the average car width is 6 feet.

# LINCOLN IS THE PLACE TO RIDE

The obvious health benefits are one reason Frady continues to ride. But the overall experience of being out on the back roads of Placer County and really seeing the landscape in a way that is impossible in a car.

"You get to see a lot more of the county at a slower speed," Higgins added. "We also gain experience herding cattle, sheep, goats and dogs off the roads."

There are hundreds of different routes. Sometimes it's the same roads, always a different route. This is a wonderful place to ride."

**ABOVE:** McCourtney Road from Lincoln to Camp Far West Lake is a popular ride for new and experienced cyclist. Below, Virginiatown Road is smooth with minimal traffic making it ideal for a casual ride from Lincoln.



**Lincoln Hills Cyclist Club** 

lincolnhillscyclists.com



BIG AND BOLD: Joe Ciotti owner of Ciotti Cellars pours his award-winning Zinfandel into one of their glasses.



# **Ciotti Cellars**

Noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday

## WHERE

3285 Crosby Herold Road, Lincoln

# INFO

ciotticellars.com or 916-534-8780

Ciotti Cellars

**L**COMES FRIENDS

PHOTOS BY NOELLE KONRAD

envenuiti amici," which means "welcome friends" in Italian, and everyone, is instantly a friend upon entering the tasting room at Ciotti Cellars. Ciotti (pronounced CHAW-tee) will be celebrating its one-year anniversary in Lincoln with a large open-to-the-public extravaganza on Oct. 21.

"We are going to have a re-grand opening on a one-year anniversary," said owner Joseph Ciotti or as many call him, Giuseppe Ciotti.

It will be a celebration with great wine, food trucks and live entertainment from the band Saint Ashbury.

The 14-acre property in Lincoln was purchased by the Ciotti family three years ago and developed as a tasting room after spending some time in Auburn and more than six years at High Hand Nursery in Loomis.

"I wish I moved out here (Lincoln) 20 years ago," he said. "It's beautiful ... you just can't beat it."

For 15 years, Ciotti has made his wines public, but the family tradition of winemaking goes back for generations.

"I grew up making wine as a kid," he said.

The business is consistent of Ciotti and his wife, brother and two children. Their main focus is on their Italian family values and traditions. Ciotti's grandfather, Archangelo Ciotti, was a winemaker in Italy before immigrating to America in a wine barrel to continue living the dream in the United States. Ciotti Cellars serves a wine in his honor aptly named, Stowaway.

The winery has a variety of 12 wines all made from grapes grown in Placer County for specifically the red wines. Their Italian-style wines focus more on the bold variety with bold velvety finishes. They are a little richer in flavor and contain more alcohol content.

"Every single red we make is out of our county," Ciotti said. "Placer County has a lot of incredible wineries. Our wine-style is probably the biggest boldest wines in the county."

It is a small-batch winery, which means extra attention is paid to the details when sourcing premium grapes for productions. The region of Placer County is highly sought after for the growth of red grapes because of the heat. White grapes need a little more cooling. The rich agriculture is not unlike that of Tuscany and the Mediterranean, said Ciotti.

"You can't knock Napa. Napa is Napa, but our region here is no joke," he said. "The grapes and the wines we are producing are getting a lot of recognition."

Many of their blends have received awards from California State Fair, the San Francisco Chronicle, People's Choice and more.

In early spring 2018, Ciotti Cellars will be planting their own vines on approximately six of their acres. The design of the winery will be to drive through the picturesque rows of grapes in order to get to the tasting room in the center of it all.

"It takes a good four years for the vines to be up and running," he said.

There are 100 olive trees also being prepped for artisan olive oil production within the next few years.

The process requires a lot of patience, but as Ciotti works toward their goals, they are enjoying the public, their club members, surrounding community and making good Italian wine.

"They (the wines) are like my children," Ciotti said. "People really come here for a destination spot. We are on the wine trail. We live in a very agriculturally rich county out here. We were known for growing grapes prior to prohibition before Napa. The grapes that we can produce and the wines we can produce out of our region are second to none."



ired of the fast-paced Bay Area and wanting to live a different lifestyle — one that "spoke to their hearts" — Cathrine and Michael Johnson spent five years looking for a community with excellent schools and a competitive landscape where their business, GoatHouse Brewing Company, would fit.

"We want to bring people to the farms. Connect people to the food," Cathrine said. "In this case, beer."

The Johnsons found a farm outside Lincoln with family-owned agricultural businesses and niche products.

To enhance the farm-to-glass experience, the Johnsons reused and repurposed the farm's original materials. The big red barn was converted into a brewery and tasting room an the old redwood siding became the interior finished walls.

Wood from horse stalls were transformed to be wooden planks salvages from the old Kezar stadium in San Francisco. The stadium seating was fittingly repurposed into the tasting bar and tables.

The Johnsons chose the name GoatHouse Brewing Company for their original plan to grow hops, brew beer and run a dairy. Opening a dairy turned out to be very costly and the Johnsons hope to some day complete their original plan. But for now, they are the only brewers in California to use only their own hops, farm to tap.

GoatHouse Brewing Company is a member of the California Hop Growers Association to help the resurgence of hop growing and are dedicated

to forging relationships with craft brewers and local hop growers. California used to be the nation's largest hop growing region, before the big brewers, according to Cathrine. The brewery operates on a closed system. The hops are grown onsite and the grain feeds the livestock.

Michael taught himself to brew beer as a teenager and both of the Johnsons taught themselves how to farm hops. The farm grows 20 different varietals. The brewery has a lot of fresh hopped beer when the hops are in season. The Johnsons dry the rest of the hops to use throughout the year. In winter, local mandarins and Meyer lemons are used for flavor. However, the brewery only offers these in small artisanal batches.

"We're just kinda doing it. There's no five-year plan," Cathrine said.

Recently, the farm was featured on the television series "How it's Made." GoatHouse Brewing Company collaborated with Wise Villa Winery and San Francisco Bay Coffee Company for the episode. With the episode airing in Canada first and recently in the U.S., the brewery has gained national attention. However, the Johnsons have no plans on expanding.

"We're not trying to take over. Some people get what we are doing, some don't. Oh well," Catherine said. "People come from far and wide. We love being a part of a small community. We have a great crew that works with us to do what we love."

NO FIVE YEAR PLAN: Above, visitors enjoy a glass of beer at the bar in the GoatHouse Brewery tasting room. Below, a flight of beers in front of a vat in the GoatHouse tasting room.



# **GoatHouse Brewing Company**

WHEN

2-6 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 11 a.m. -5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

WHERE

600 Wise Road, Lincoln

916-740-9100, goathousebrewing.com







# ABOUT THE PEOPLE:

At left. The Charcuteire board, filled with meats, cheeses, dips and spreads, olives, nuts and fruit, is popular at Citizen Vine. Top, Citizen Vine wine bar offers more than 30 different kinds of wine.

# A POUR

# for the people of Lincoln

BY NOELLE KONRAD

pening a restaurant was quite a shift for owner of Citizen Vine, Paul Jansen. He has served in the military for 22 years. Eleven of those years were spent in the Marine Corps and he continues his service in the Coast Guard Reserve. His business background prepared him for the restaurant industry, but his drive was the community of Lincoln and his passion for cooking.

"I always love to cook and entertain," Jansen said.

At the age of 4, Jansen began cooing with his mother. When he got older, his love for entertaining didn't diminish, however, he found it difficult to find an enjoyable low-key wine bar. He would take his wife out but he didn't like the vibe of most wine bars, but instead thought they were stuffy and intimidating.

"My goal was to break all that intimidation down," Jansen said.

His mission was to create an environment where people didn't have to dress up, but rather just come and enjoy the atmosphere. It's less about wine and more about people and food, Jansen said.

"People were wanting something like this," Jansen said. "That's pretty good for little old Lincoln."

Their weekly specials such as Dine at the Vine, Taco Tuesday, Wine not Wednesday and more have people coming from all over to indulge in a date-night.

Dine at the Vine has a special with three tapas, a glass of wine for two and a dessert for \$45. It is a popular offering as well as Wine not Wednesday where customers get a bottle of wine instead of just glasses for two.

Citizen Vine features more than 30 wines by the glass. Local wines are rotated in. For those who enjoy beer more than wine, they can indulge in a bottle from local breweries Loomis Basin and Knee Deep.

"Our menu is a tapas ... it's all small plates and fruit," Jansen said. "Our most popular dish is our Ahi Crisps."

The Ahi Crisps are fried wonton wraps, sake avocado cream, marinated sashimi grade ahi, sriracha aioli, wasabi shoyu glaze and black sesame seeds. It pairs well with a chardonnay or sauvignon blanc. Even a pinot if you wanted to go into red, Jansen said.

All of the menu items are Jansen's own recipes that he has brought to the restaurant.

"We are here because we want to be here for the people," Jansen said.

# **Citizen Vine**

# WHEN

- 4 9 p.m. Tuesday Thursday
- 4 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday
- 3 8 p.m. Sunday

# WHERE

825 Twelve Bridges Drive, Suite 65, Lincoln

# INFO

916-409-2361 or citizenvine.com



Chop Salad at the wine bar.



or the love of craft beer," said co-owner Jacob Marshall, which is what drove him and his wife Andrea to open the only taproom in Lincoln.

The husband-and-wife duo have been married for almost 20 years and started out in Humboldt County where they both fell in-love with all things beer. The craft beer scene in Humboldt County was much more vibrant at the time, but when the couple moved to Placer County, they watched as it became increasingly popular.

Visiting breweries and taprooms became their datenights out as a couple. The two really enjoyed the atmosphere and experience of having a good beer and realized that there was no place for them to go to in Lincoln.

"There is no taproom in Lincoln," Jacob Marshall said. In July of 2015 that all changed when they opened their own establishment, Infusion Taproom.

"Time is going by fast," Jacob Marshall said.

"Coming to this spot we were able to bring Lincoln and Rocklin together because we are right on the border. It has been really nice bringing the two communities together," Andrea Marshall said.

That was one of the reasons Infusion Taproom got its name. By bringing the two communities together over a good beer, the Marshalls infused both Rocklin with Lincoln. It also depicts the infusion process that beer undergoes during the brewing process.

Over the past two years, Lincoln and Rocklin have welcomed the Marshalls with enthusiasm. Every month, Infusion Taproom hosts events that bring in crowds. On Mondays, it's double punch day for the reward program: Beer is worth two points instead of one.

The 20 taps are constantly rotating with local selections and some as far as Oregon and Colorado. For those

who would rather indulge in something else cider, wine and even gluten-free beer options are also available.

"We always do Tap Takeovers where we showcase a brewery," Andrea Marshall said. "We promote local. We are always focusing on Placer and Sacramento counties."

Taking bottles to-go has also grown in popularity and customers are utilizing Infusion Taproom as a bottle shop as well.

"Lincoln just didn't have this element and it needed it," Jacob Marshall said.

People often do not have the time to travel to Sacramento or farther in order to partake in the craft beer scene. Infusion Taproom has a central location that is closer for those up the hill as well as for locals.

"It's more convenient to be at your local taproom a couple of miles from where you live," Andrea Marshall said.

Those who want to stick around and enjoy the atmosphere are welcome to bring their own food or grab something from the neighboring restaurants to enjoy at one of the tables inside.

"We work with our restaurants here within the shopping center," Jacob Marshall said. "It works out great for everybody at the end of the day."

"It's a win-win," Andrea Marshall said.

The two enjoy the fact that they can work in a partnership with their neighbors and support other businesses. The taproom is open seven days a week for anyone 21 and over. Even well-behaved dogs are welcome.

"We are not your typical bar. It's just a place where people come to relax (and) meet fellow community members," Andrea Marshall said.

# **Infusion Taproom**

## WHERE

845 Twelve Bridges Drive, Suite 125, Lincoln

### INFO

916-409-2274 or infusiontaproom.com



BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER: Infusion Taproom owners Jacob and Andrea Marshall



# **ALE**

# **AUBURN ALEHOUSE BREWERY & RESTAURANT**

11 a.m. – 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11a.m. - midnight Friday, 10 a.m. – midnight Saturday and 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sunday 289 Washington Street, Auburn 530-885-2537, or auburnalehouse.com

# **CROOKED LANE BREWING COMPANY**

3-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 3-10 p.m. Friday, noon-10 p.m. Saturday and noon-9 p.m. Sunday 536 Grass Valley Highway, Auburn crookedlanebrewing.com

# **DUELING DOGS BREWING COMPANY**

2-6 p.m. Thursday-Friday and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 3030 Barrett Park Lane, Lincoln 916-434-8141, DuelingDogsBrewing.com

# **GOATHOUSE BREWING COMPANY**

2-6 p.m. Thursday-Friday and 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 600 Wise Road, Lincoln 916-740-9100, goathousebrewing.com

# HILLENBRAND FARMHAUS BREWING

1-8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 1-6 p.m. Sunday 5100 Virginiatown Road, Newcastle 916-223-3734, hillenbrandbrewery.com

# KATHRIN'S BIERGARTEN BREWERY

4-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday 4810 Granite Drive, Suite A-1, Rocklin 916-251-7502, kathrinsbiergarten.com

# **KNEE DEEP BREWING COMPANY**

3-8 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, noon-9 p.m. Thursday, noon-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday and noon-8 p.m. Sunday 13395 New Airport Road Suite H, Auburn 530-797-4677, kneedeepbrewing.com

# **LOOMIS BASIN BREWING COMPANY**

3-8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 3-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday 3277 Swetzer Road, Loomis 916-259-2739, loomisbasinbrewing.com

## MONK'S CELLAR

11 a.m. – 10 p.m. Sunday-Tuesday, 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and 11 a.m. - midnight Friday-Saturday 240 Vernon Street, Roseville 916-786-6665, monkscellar.com

# MOONRAKER BREWING COMPANY

3-9 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and noon-9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 12970 Earhart Ave. Suite 100, Auburn moonrakerbrewing.com

# **OUT OF BOUNDS BREWING COMPANY**

4-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 3-11 p.m. Friday, noon-11 p.m. Saturday and noon-6 p.m. Sunday 4480 Yankee Hill Road #100 Rocklin 916-259-1511, outofboundsbrewing.com

# WINE

# BEAR RIVER WINERY & DISTILLERY

Noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday 2751 Combie Road, Meadow Vista 530-878-8959, bearriverwinery.com

### **BONITATA BOUTIQUE WINE**

Noon-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and 1-6 p.m. Saturday The Bernhard Museum, 291 Auburn-Folsom Road, Auburn 530-305-0449, bonitataboutiquewine.com

### CANTE AO VINHO

4-8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday-Sunday The Baruboni Building, 5250 Front Street, Rocklin 530-632-8058, canteaovinho.com

### CASQUE WINES

11a.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday 9280 Horseshoe Bar Road, Loomis 916-652-2250, casquewines.com

# CIOTTI CELLARS

Noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday 3285 Crosby Herold Road, Lincoln 916-534-8780, ciotticellars.com

# CRISTALDI VINEYARDS

Noon-4 p.m. Saturday (reserve online) 4060 Ridge Drive, Loomis 916-759-1291, cristaldivineyards.com

# DAVIS DEAN CELLARS

Noon-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 3565 Taylor Road, Suite A Loomis davisdeancellars.com

# DONO DAL CIELO WINERY

12-5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday 6100 Wise Road, Newcastle 530-888-0101 donodalcielo.com

# FAWNRIDGE WINERY

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday-Sunday 5560 Fawnridge Road, Auburn 530-887-9522, fawnridgewine.com

# **SPIRITS**

# CALIFORNIA DISTILLED SPIRITS

1-5 p.m. Saturday 12205 Locksley Lane, #11 Auburn, 916-599-6451, californiadistilledspirits.com

# TERNERO FARMS

Tastings by appointment 3552 Highway 193, Lincoln 916-508-5325, terneroliveoil.com

### LONE BUFFALO VINEYARDS

Noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday 7505 Wise Road, Auburn 530-823-1159, lonebuffalovineyards.com

### MT. VERNON WINERY

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday 10850 Mt. Vernon Road, Auburn 530-823-1111, mtvernonwinery.com

### PAZA VINEYARD & WINERY

Noon-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 3357 Ayres Holmes Road, Auburn 916-834-0565, pazawines.com

### PESCATORE VINEYARD & WINERY

Noon-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 7055 Ridge Road, Newcastle 916-663-1422, pescatorewines.com

### **POPIE WINES**

916-768-7643, popiewines.com

# RANCHO ROBLE VINEYARDS

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 340 Fleming Road, Lincoln 916-645-2075, ranchoroble.com

## **ROCK HILL WINERY**

Noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday 2970 Del Mar Avenue, Loomis 916-410-7105, rockhillwine.com

# **SECRET RAVINE VINEYARD & WINERY**

Noon-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 4390 Gold Trail Way, Loomis 916-652-6015, secretravine.com

# VIÑA CASTELLANO WINERY

Noon-5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday 4590 Bell Road, Auburn 530-889-2855, vinacastellano.com

# WISE VILLA WINERY & BISTRO WINE

3-9 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. and 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 4200 Wise Road, Lincoln 916-543-0323, WiseVillaWinery.com

# **FARM STANDS**

# **FOUR TINES FARM**

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sunday May-January 9140 Mount Vernon Road, Auburn 530-392-2649, fourtinesfarm.com

## FOOTHILLROOTS FARM

2-6 p.m. Thursday in winter and 2-7 p.m. Thursday-Friday in summer 17565 Placer Hills Road, Meadow Vista 530-637-8704, foothillrootsfarm.com

# HILLVIEW FARMS

4-7 p.m. Wednesday June-September 1340 Matson Drive, Auburn 530-889-2474. hillviewfarmsauburn.com



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he first thing you notice when you walk into Brass Tap in Rocklin is the diversity of the crowd. There are families here. There are also elderly couples, college kids, and after-work solo drinkers.

The next thing you notice is the row of tap handles stretching the full length of the bar. All 48 of them, in constant rotation.

The rest of the details fall into place: The brewery equipment in the back; the fridge stocked with up to 120 different bottles of beer, cider, and nonalcoholic drinks; the happy hour menu featuring such popular fare as pretzel pieces with regular and jalapeno beer cheese.

If the feeling you get when you walk in is something along the lines of, "this place has everything," then owner Ed Fralick has done his job.

"Our goal every day is to make sure everybody has the best time," he said. "You can always come in and find something you like."

Indeed, Brass Tap's inclusivity is so broad as to be near mythical, and its appeal is a study in paradox: A franchise that feels like a small-town hangout; a brewery that feels like a pub; a restaurant that

feels like a taproom. Every nuance contributes to its charm without ever devolving into kitsch or detracting from the customer experience.

"We're in between an industrial brewery and a fullblown restaurant," Fralick said. "Everybody finds a place they belong here."

That sense of belonging is the driving philosophy behind Brass Tap, a national franchise of 42 stores, all of which are family owned and operated.

"Not an hour goes by that a member of the family isn't working here," Fralick said.

Piper Hightower is one such example. She divides her time at Brass Tap between marketing and brewing, both equally designed to share the joy of communal drinking.

"I've fallen in love with the way beer brings people together," she said. "There's a reason characters drink beer in Shakespeare. It's a catalyst for being together."

Her job and passion is to share that catalyst, whether through marketing campaigns or her Brass Tap Blonde that is currently on tap.

"If you take care of your customer, they'll come back," Fralick said. "When people walk out of here, they feel well taken care of."



# **Brass Tap**

5150 Commons Drive in Rocklin

# WHEN

11:30 a.m. - midnight daily

# INFO

916-246-2729 or brasstapbeerbar.com





## FLEA MARKET FEVER:

Above, Marilee and Jim Denio started a farmer's market in 1947 that has since become a regionally known flea market that draws thousands every weekend.



# **Denio's Maket**

# WHERE

1551 Vineyard Rd., Roseville

9 a.m.-2 p.m. Fridays, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturdays, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Sundays

# INFO

916-782-2704 or deniosmarket.com

hen Jim and Marilee Denio of Roseville first started selling produce out of the back of a truck by Atkinson Street and Vineyard Road, it didn't go especially well.

DFNIOS

The year was 1947, the city's population was close to 7,000, and sales were slow.

As their granddaughter Tracie Denio tells it, "Let's give it one more month," they said, in case sales picked up.

Seventy-one years later, Denio's is the largest flea market in Northern California, spanning nearly 75 acres with parking, in a city pushing 135,000.

Besides a produce market spanning the length of two football fields, the weekend-only operation hosts concession stands, eateries and more than 900 retail vendors peddling everything from clothes and rugs to beauty products, lawn mowers, guitars, water fountains, China dolls, power tools, cacti and piñatas.

New this year is the addition of Market Plaza Live, a 30,000-square-foot live-entertainment area in the open exes with a fully covered 16-by-32-foot main stage, sound system and picnic tables over grassy turf.

Tracie, who co-manages the market with her brother, Eric Denio and father, Ken Denio, said the plaza was meant to answer a question she heard frequently from customers — "Do you do concerts or events?" — and also appeal to a new crowd.

The Denios want to provide something for all ages, because all ages have been good to them.

According to its website, Denio's by the early 1960s was the biggest market of its kind in California. Having been open only Saturdays up that point, in 1969 it started opening on Sundays too, and business grew in the 1970s and 80s with new weekend vendors from throughout the region selling all manner of merchandise.

Manning a booth of spices from around the world, vendor Diane Howe said she'd seen a change in clientele and the agriculture aspect in her 33 years at the market.

"Back in '85, it was not nearly as culturally diverse. And it was different — there used to be an auction yard across the street with cattle and stuff, and now we just have chickens every first and third week," she said. "I think (the stage) is a great idea to bring more clientele into the market, because hopefully people will stay."

Tracie believes that in the era of internet shopping, the value of Denio's is holistic. The experience of the place is what Denio's is trying to sell today, to the extent that its new marketing slogan is "experience Denio's differently."

"Where else can you grab a corndog and a beer and walk the aisles and shop and people-watch? You're having an experience. It's not just shopping," Tracie said. "When (people) want to get out with family and friends, we want to provide a location where they can do that and enjoy the diversity that our market brings."

For her brother Eric, the operations manager, the market's foundational experience is bargain shopping with your own two hands.

"It's nice to be able to go to a place physically," he said. "I think people look forward to going under the tables and looking in the mystery boxes to find goodies."

# Denio's by the numbers

- 4 generations of Denios involved
- 71 years in business
- 75 acres of retail and parking space
- 1,000 vendors, approximately
- 10,000 visitors in a typical weekend
- 30,000 square feet for Market Plaza Live





# **Paul Wagner Big & Tall**

Roseville Square Shopping Center, 410 Roseville Square, Roseville

## WHEN

9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. -5:30 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday

# INFO

916-782-9418

Roseville and surrounding communities have an unfair advantage when it comes to clothing for tall men. Paul Wagner Big & Tall store in the same shopping center as Trader Joe's, can nicely dress the large man.

BY JULIE MILLER PHOTOS RY IIII IF MILLER

"We listen to customers," said Jim Wagner, one of the store's owners. "We have young guys and old guys from all over the area (shop here)."

Wagner said they can typically fit men 6 feet 3 inches tall up to 7 feet tall and carry sizes from extra large up to 7X. The largest man the store served, he said, was 7 feet 1 inch tall and both doors had to be open to get him in.

Inside there are racks of business casual-type clothing carrying brand names such as Levi's, Pendelton, Haggar and Columbia in the form of slacks, pants, ties, dress shirts, casual button-down shirts, shoes, sport coats and suits.

Even with the larger sizes, there is a tailor on staff and alterations are no charge for purchases made at the store, including suits. This way customers can get the proper fit.

Wagner does not consider himself very tall, he's 6 feet, but he seems to understand what towering people need. Out of all the men's stores in the Roseville community, Paul Wagner is easily the oldest. The stores have been in the area since 1908 and at one time had 12 locations dotted along California from Chico to Bakersfield. Today, just the one store remains in Roseville, the most successful. Wagner has been working at the store since 1960. He and his brother, John, have operated the business after their father had the store. Their father owned the store with a partner, Helen Richardson.

Despite online shopping and other competition, the store continues to thrive. And as the population grows taller, more customers are finding Paul Wagner for their clothing needs.

"Our business holds up pretty good," Wagner said.

# **FRESH**

# from the farm

resh veggies and fruit. The whiff of hot kettle corn. Live music and ambient hustle and bustle. All things to expect in your neighborhood farmers' market in warmer seasons. But what about the winter or early spring? Is it slim pickins' due to seasonal closures of many markets? Not so with these year-round markets.

# YEAR-ROUND MARKETS

During the winter months, Roseville is the place to go for fresh Placer grown produce.

# **Tuesdays in Roseville**

WHFN

8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Tuesday

The parking lot near Whole Foods and Peet's Coffee at the Fountains, 1198 Roseville Parkway, Roseville.

## LOOK FOR THE SIGNS

At most PlacerGROWN farmers' markets, vendors display a placard showing important information such as contact numbers, website addresses and where to follow on social media. This is handy if you want to contact the vendor, provide feedback, or order directly.

# WHAT TO EXPECT

You could easily turn a trip to the farmers' market a date for brunch, followed by stocking up for a multiple-course meal at home. The variety of produce changes with the season, so check the PlacerGROWN website to see what's available.

Regardless of the season eggs, honey, meats and coffee are available from various vendors. You'll also find a number of prepared foods you can snack on while at the market, such as vegan pestos from Township Valley Farm, sprouted hummus from Zena Foods, single-serving treats from Andolin's Pies, garlic spreads from Garlish, bottled kombucha from Nash's, pastries from the Baker and the Cakemaker, and chocolate chip cookies from Foresthill Cookies using Benjamin Franklin's original recipe (at least that's what the folks at Foresthill Cookies said.)



# MORE TO 'SPRING' UP THIS YEAR

If you found the selection of available markets limiting, there's more markets to come as the season warms up, especially in June. Here's a list of some local PlacerGROWN markets and when you can visit them.

# Lincoln

WHEN

Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to noon begining May 24

9654 Orchard Creek Lane

Thursdays from 5 to 8 p.m. beginning June 15

F Street between Fifth and Sixth streets

# Rocklin

WHEN

Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. starting June 3

Near RC Willey at Blue Oaks Center, 6636 Lonetree Blvd.

# **DIRECT FARM TO FORK**

If you've got a schedule that prevents you from visiting the farmers' markets available this time of year, you can often work out purchasing directly from the farm. Finding local produce is easy using the Placer-GROWN website at placergrown.org.



# ONE-OF-A-KIND

# Placer Valley shops offer unique finds BY JAMIE HAZELTON PHOTOS BY JAMIE HAZELTON PHOTOS BY JAMIE HAZELTON



# **Everlasting gifts**

1950 Douglas Boulevard B-4, Roseville

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

916-783-3370 or everlastinggifts.net

### **QUARTZ-ROSES**

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### **OUARTZ GINGER HEARTS**

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# REIKI PRAYER CANDLES

Candles come in different scents and colors and include a prayer. \$2.45



CDs \$2.99 cassette tapes \$0.25-\$0.50 messenger 3 speed turn table \$89.99 guitar strings \$6.99 and \$7.99 comics \$0.99 and up











# **Dimple Records**

1129 Roseville Square, Roseville

9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday

916-781-2800 or dimple.com





TOP RIGHT: Stacking teapot with teacup \$30.50 and For Tea's Sake tea:

small \$7.99. large \$12.99

AT RIGHT: Elegant bubble bowl center piece \$75 (hydrangeas, lilies, stock, berries, roses and carnations)



# **Lincoln Florist and Gifts**

# WHERE

509 Lincoln Boulevard, Lincoln

# WHEN

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday

# INFO

(916) 645-2303 lincolnfloristandgifts.com





ABOVE: Aquamarine and diamond 18K white gold jewelry set \$699 TOP RIGHT: Jewelry box \$10 AT LEFT: Tea pot \$25 **BELOW:** Small jewelry box \$5





# **Lincoln Gold and Coin**

# WHERE

547 Lincoln Boulevard, Lincoln

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday

# INFO

(916) 543-4653 lincolngoldandcoin.com





# **Copper River Bags**

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

424 Lincoln Blvd., Suite 201, Lincoln

# CONTACT

916-587-3720 or copperriverbags.com AT LEFT: 10-inch small Brooklyn Voyager iPad (tablet) bag in distressed tan oil tanned leather \$118.99.

**ABOVE:** 14-inch medium Lewis & Clark courier mail bag in distressed tan oil tanned leather \$141.99.





# **Gypsy Chic Vintage Market**

# WHERE

109 Flocchini Circle, Lincoln

3-8 p.m. Thursday; 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday; Nov. 9-12 and Dec 14-17

# INFO

916-800-2811 or gypsyvintagemarket.com

AT LEFT: flannels \$25. **ABOVE:** 1803 candles \$21.



# **Rustic Crown Vintage Market**

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday

# WHERE

668 Flfth St., Lincoln

# CONTACT

916-343-2078 or rusticcrownmarket.com



**ABOVE:** Montana West purse \$79, crowns \$10.50-\$16 and sign \$18. AT LEFT: baseball hats \$16-\$18.50. **BELOW:** license plate bracelets \$8.





AT LEFT: Bouton bracelets \$20, buttons \$5 each

AT RIGHT: Rad mama shirt \$25 **BELOW:** Shhh mugs \$16

# **Bayabelle Boutique**

# WHERE

100 Gateway Drive #110, Lincoln

10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

# INFO

(916) 253-9260 facebook.com/BayabelleBoutique



# 'Round the world

# FLAVORS BY AARON TWEETON

ooking for more international flavors to spice up meals? Or, wanting to make that special meal you remember from home? You don't need to head into the big metros to find grocers that carry specialty international foods. Here's several in the neighborhood.



# LATIN Mercado Loco

201 Sunrise Ave., Suite A, Roseville

# WHEN

8 a.m.-8:30 p.m. daily

### INFO

916-791-5626

From Mercado Loco, you'll find a number of Mexican and Hispanic specialities such as cookedto-order tacos and burritos, fresh meats, warm panaderia treats, fresh salsa and more. They also carry a number of speciality dry goods and items more common in Colombia and Peru that might not be available in more generic markets. You can get a great sampling of authentic flavors for little money: Street tacos, tamales, pastries and ice cream bars will only set you back about \$1-\$1.50 each.



# **ASIAN**

# **India Market and Eyebrow Threading**

# WHEN

10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. daily

1265 Pleasant Grove Blvd., Suite 100, Roseville

# INFO

916-786-7666

This business is fascinating as it offers the hair-removal services of eyebrow threading with the hunger-curing services of fresh vegetables, unique Indian spices, and a wide assortment of dry and frozen foods. You can either gather up all the ingredients necessary for a tasty, authentic plate of chicken curry, or take home a sample of India Market's frozen entrees like tikka masala and chicken tandori. If you're just in a snacking mood or looking for a treat, the market carries some unique ice cream flavors such as malai, chikoo and falooda.



# **EUROPEAN**

# Beryozka European Food Market

10 a.m.-8 p.m. daily

# WHERE

6845 Five Star Blvd., Rocklin

## INFO

916-624-0630

While Russian winters may be perceived as cold and lifeless, this market glows with colorful Russian desserts and fresh German bread. A vast assortment of ornate cakes, cured meats and select cheeses await customers inside a cooled display case. If you're into sweets, you'll love the aisles of fine Russian chocolates, jelly-filled shortbread cookies and candies. Beryozka also carries ice cream packages, such as Dadu brand cones available in many flavors.

Did you know? The name Beryozka (which means "little birch tree") was also the name of a chain of stories in the former Soviet Union that sold goods for foreign currency.



# **ASIAN**

# **Oriental Market**

9 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday

203 Harding Blvd., Roseville

916-771-8488 or orientalmarketroseville.com

At first glance, you might mistake the deep fried bananas at the Oriental Market for lumpia or fried egg rolls, but they're just another example of unique tidbits you'll discover at this store in Roseville. In particular, the store specializes in Korean, Japanese, Filipino and other Asian foods. Prepare to explore oodles of noodle varieties, soup mixes, unique flavors of chips and canned coffees, teas, coconut milk and fruit nectars. Also a dedicated smoothie station offers fresh fruit smoothies and boba drinks. If you're stopping by for lunch or dinner, you can pick up fried fish, lunch plates and other hot food to go. Ice cream lovers can rejoice over the rare flavors such as banana with jackfruit, purple yam and more.

What is boba? Boba or bubble tea is a Taiwanese tea-based drink usually made with fruit or milk that has chewy tapioca balls (often called bubbles or boba) added to the bottom. The drinks often come with wide straws for sipping up the boba, where they can be chewed on or swallowed whole. You can find boba drinks available at many Asian restaurants.

# Curious ABOUT CUR

Steve Sampson is a Roseville resident and 8th grade math teacher. He began curling with the Wine Country Curling Club seven years ago when he saw a poster for the club when he took his daughter to a birthday party at the rink. Sampson said every game should begin with shaking hands and wishing the other team "good curling." During Learn-To-Curl lessons at Skatetown Ice Arena in Roseville, Sampson introduces new or prospective curlers to the basics and teaches them to play. "There's a lot of strategy involved," he said. "I enjoy it; it's a really social game."

A curling team consists of four people: Lead, second, vice skip and skip. The lead takes the first turn and delivers, or throws, two stones. The second is up next and also delivers two stones. The vice skip follows by throwing two more stones. The skip concludes the end, or round, by leaving his or her post as strategist at the other side of the ice, the house, and throws two stones. When all eight stones have been delivered, alternating between teams, down the sheet of ice onto



targets of concentric circles, the end is completed.

When they are not throwing stones or giving strategy to other teammates, the players "sweep" in front of a stone with a broom. This causes friction on the ice which helps to control the speed and direction of the curl.

The purpose is to accumulate the highest score for a game; points are scored for the stones resting closest to the center of the house at the finish of each end. A game usually consists of eight or 10 ends. Because of the strategy, skill and teamwork that go into this sport, it has been appropriately nicknamed "chess on ice."

# Learn-To-Curl

WHEN

9:30 a.m. – noon Sundays

WHERE

Skatetown Ice Arena, 1009 Orlando Ave., Roseville

INFO

Pre-registration is required at winecountrycurlingclub.com/learntocurl



# **The Corner Boxing Club**

# WHEN

10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday, Noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

### WHERI

106 Judah Street, Roseville

### INFO

916-225-9509 or thecornerbc.com



BY STEVEN WILSON

PHOTOS BY STEVEN WILSON

ake one step into the Corner Boxing Club in downtown Roseville and you can sense a powerful aura.

"I opened this place up six years ago, and the goal was to offer an international-style gym to the Roseville community," explained Ezra Regan head trainer and owner.

The 39-year-old fight coach became the first South Placer entrepreneur to open a Thai kickboxing business, specializing in a Muay Thai fight style that utilizes a higher form of striking.

"I still get people — a lot of people — who aren't really sure what we do in here, they just like the vibe. But then they come in and I turn them on to the Thai style of training and they're hooked."

It took years for Regan to master the art of Muay Thai. When he started, there were only two gyms offering mixed martial arts training in the Sacramento region. Now, he estimates that number to be more than 40. But none offered the training he needed.

So he flew more times than he can count on to and from Thailand, where he studied the sport, participated in regional competitions and learned about the cultural foundation.

"Fighters can tell when you're faking it as a trainer," Ezra's older brother Eric Regan stated. "It has to be genuine. You have to live it and love doing it every single day, and that's what fighters get when they come here. He's always thinking and talking about it. It's hard to get him to shut up about it."

Muay Thai is a bare bones sport that's excluded the use of belts and uniforms, unlike karate. Fighters wear pads on their shins, gloves and wraps on their hands and head protection during practice, but ditch most of that for actual fights.



# LINCOLN FLIPS

# for Empire Gymnastics

t's very challenging. It's one of the hardest sports there is," owner of Empire Gymnastics, Mike Carder said. "(You) feel like you can take on the world."

Empire Gymnastics offers classes for kids from toddlers up to high school. Mommyand-me classes are offered in Tiny Tumblers for children who are mobile to age 3. The class is designed to promote motor skills and listening through fun and social activities. It provides great interactions for parents as well.

The older gymnastics classes can range from beginner to advanced and competitive. Gymnastics includes the bars and beam in accordance with other events whereas the tumbling classes focus more on floor routines and activities. Cheerleaders have found a lot of additional skill building in tumbling. Upper-scale tumbling is also available.

# **Empire Gymnastics**

9 a.m.-noon and then 3:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; open gym noon-2 p.m. Saturday.

# WHERE

2800 Nicolaus Road, Suite 300, Lincoln

# INFO

916-644-3035 or empire-gymnastics.com

"(Classes are for) pretty much all ages, boys and girls," he said. "We are kind of an all-around gym."

For each class there is a ratio of one instructor to about eight to 10 students providing much focused attention during class.

# NASCAR

# roars into Roseville

he third-mile oval in Roseville is known for exciting, door-to-door, short-track racing action. All American Speedway has hosted 18 series events, dating back to 1977.

Championships were on the line when competitors hit the track for the 10th Annual October Classic at All American Speedway last October.

Five divisions were in action, with two champions crowned, in the biggest event of the year - which benefited the Placer Breast Cancer Foundation.

The NASCAR K&N Pro Series West headlined the event with the Toyota / NAPA AUTO PARTS 150 presented by TriCo Welding Supplies. It was the penultimate race of the season, with Bill McAnally Racing drivers Todd Gilliland and Chris Eggleston locked in a tight championship battle.

"This is always one of the most exciting races on the NASCAR K&N West schedule," McAnally said. "The enthusiastic Northern California fans add to it in making it such a great event."



Local divisions were also in action on the third-mile oval. The Bomber division competed in the A-All Mini Storage Bomber Bash, and the F4 Skid Plate Series raced in the TriCo Skid Plate Extravaganza. F4 Skid Plate racing can best be described as madcap competition among cars that appear out of control at times. The rear tires of the four-cylinder, front-wheel-drive cars are replaced with steel plates, making for some unexpected action as drivers attempt to race around the track.

"We're pleased to include these local divisions in this year's event," McAnally said at the 2017 event. "This is their home track and it's great to have them as part

In addition to all the action on the track, the midway featured a variety of activities; including live music, a classic car show, numerous vendors, and tasty foods from multiple concessions. Fireworks will be provided, courtesy of Riebes Auto Parts, and Berco Redwood is sponsoring the safety crew for this year's event

# **All American Speedway**

800 All America City Blvd, Roseville

916-786-2025, BMRNAPA.com or allamericanspeedway.com

All event times and locations are subject to change or cancellation.

# ONGOING

## **Food Truck Mania**

The second Thursday of the month at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. sactomofo.com

# **Foothill Farmers' Market**

From 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays at Whole Foods, 1198 Roseville Parkway in Roseville. From 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays at R.C. Willey in Blue Oaks Center, 6636 Lonetree Boulevard in Roseville. foothillfarmersmarket.com

# **Maidu Museum Tours**

10-11 a.m. Saturdays at Maidu Museum, 1960 Johnson Ranch Drive in Roseville roseville.ca.us

## **Farmers Market**

From 8 a.m. to noon Wednesdays at Orchard Creek Lodge at Sun City Lincoln Hills, 965 Orchard Creek in Lincoln. suncity-lincolnhills.org

# JANUARY

# William Jessup **University Baseball**

From the end of January through April at McBean Stadium, 65 McBean Park Drive in Lincoln. jessupathletics.com

# **FEBRUARY**

# Chocolate Lover's Ball

From 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at Orchard Creek Lodge, 965 Orchard Creek Lane in Lincoln. downtownlincolnca.com

# **Gem Faire**

From Feb 1-3 @the Grounds, 800 All America City Boulevard in Roseville. gemfaire.com

# **Doll and Teddy Bear Show**

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb 23 @the Grounds. 800 All America City Boulevard in Roseville.

gemfaire.com

# MARCH

# 57th Annual Gem. Jewelry, Fossil, and **Mineral Show**

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday March 23 and 10 am - 4 p.m. Sunday March 24 @the Grounds, 800 All American City Boulevard in Roseville.

### APRIL

# **Concerts at Quarry Park**

From April through September Quarry Park, 4000 Rocklin Road in Rocklin

rocklin.ca.us

# **Wine Down Wednesday**

From 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, mid-April through mid May at Vernon Street Town Square. 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Run Rocklin**

From 6:30 a.m. to noon Sunday, April 7 at Johnson Springview Park, 5480 5th Street in Rocklin. runrocklin.com

# **Lincoln Clay Day**

April 22 Beermann Plaza, 640 5th Street, in Lincoln. all4art.net

# **Earth Day Celebration**

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 20 at Mahany Park, 1545 Pleasant Grove Boulevard in Roseville.

roseville.ca.us

# **Lincoln Wine Fest**

From 1-5 p.m. Saturday, April 27 at Beermann Plaza, 640 5th Street, in Lincoln.

lincolnwinefest.org

# Yomen: A Spring Celebration

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 29 at Maidu Museum and Historic Site, 1970 Johnson Ranch Drive in Roseville.

roseville.ca.us

# **Friday Flicks**

At 6:30 p.m. the third Friday of the month April through December at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville.

roseville.ca.us



# MAY

# **Loomis Friday Family Fest**

From 6-9 p.m. Fridays May 11, June 8, July 13 and Aug. 10 at Loomis Train Depot, 5775 Horseshoe Bar Road in Loomis. loomischamber com

# **Rocklin Community Festival**

From May 10-13 at Johnson Springview Park, 5480 5th Street in Rocklin

rocklin.ca.us

# Tour de Lincoln

At 7 a.m. May 12 starting at McBean Park, 65 McBean Park Drive in Lincoln.

tourdelincoln.org

# **BerryFest**

From 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. May 12-13 at The Grounds, 800 All American City Boulevard in Roseville. feedmeberries.com

# Concerts on the Square

At 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 16 at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Lincoln Potters** Baseball

From May 30 through Aug. 4 at McBean Stadium, 65 McBean Park Drive in Lincoln lincolnpotters.com

# **Loomis PlacerGrown** Farmers' Market

From 8 a.m. to noon Thursdays June through August at Taylor's, 3636 Taylor Road in Loomis. placergrown.org

# **Rods N Relics Carshow**

From 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2 in Downtown Lincoln. rodsnrelics.net

# **Placer County Fair**

June 21-24 @the Grounds, 800 All America City Boulevard in Roseville.

placercountyfair.org

# **Celebrate America**

At 4 p.m. June 24-25 at Twin Oaks Park, 5500 Park Drive in Rocklin. rocklin.ca.us

JULY

# **Run Crime Out Of** Roseville! 5K/10K Fun Run/Walk

At 7:20 a.m. Wednesday, July 4 at Royer Park, 190 Park Drive in

rosevillecrimestoppers.org

# **Independence** Day Parade

At 9 a.m. at the intersection of Riverside Avenue, Vernon Street and Douglas Boulevard in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# 4th of July Celebration

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Royer Park, 190 Park Drive in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

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# Lincoln 4th of July Parade

From 9-10:30 p.m. at 5th Street and Lincoln Boulevard in Lincoln. lincolnca4thofjuly.com

# **Lincoln 4th of July** Celebration

From 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. at McBean Park, 65 McBean Park Drive in Lincoln. lincolnca4thofjuly.com

# **Grape Days of Summer**

From July 21-22 at 16 Placer County wineries. placerwine.com

### **AUGUST**

# Woofstock

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26 at Johnson Springview Park, 5480 5th Street in Rocklin. rocklin.ca.us

# **SEPTEMBER**

# Splash

From 6:30-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8 at Roseville Aquatics Complex, 3051 Woodcreek Oaks Boulevard in Roseville. rosevillechamber.com

# **Wednesdays on Tap**

5:30-7:30 p.m. mid-September through mid-October at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Hot Chili and Cool Cars**

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 on Pacific Street in Rocklin.

rocklinchamber.com

# **Lincoln Showcase**

From 6:30-10 p.m. Satruday, Sept. 22 at Beermann Plaza, 640 5th Street, in Lincoln. lincolnchamber.com

# **Family Fest**

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Hot Pink Fun Run**

At 7:30 a.m. Sunday Sept. 23 beginning at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. hotpinkfunrun.org

# **Tour de Rocklin**

7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 beginning at Johnson Springview Park, 5460 5th Street in Rocklin. tourderocklin.com

# **OCTOBER**

# **Eggplant Festival**

From 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6 at Loomis Train Depot, 5775 Horseshoe Bar Road in Loomis. loomischamber.com

# **Mini Maker Faire**

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13 at Sierra College, 5000 Rocklin Road in Rocklin.

rocklin.makerfaire.com

# **Bill McAnally Racing**

At 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13 at the All American Speedway @the Grounds, 800 All American City Boulevard in Roseville.

bmrnapa.com

# Oktoberfest

From 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Holiday Celebration** and Tree Lighting From 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29

at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. roseville.ca.us

# **Outdoor Holiday Rink**

From the end of November through mid-January at Skatetown, 1009 Orlando Avenue in Roseville

skatetown.biz

# DECEMBER

# **Holiday in the Hills**

From noon to 5 p.m. Dec. 2-3 at Wineries on the Placer Wine Trail. placerwine.com

# **Holiday Tree Lighting**

From 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 at Old Saint Mary's Church, 5251 Front Street in, Rocklin. rocklin.ca.us

# Lincoln **Hometown Christmas**

From 4:30-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 at Fifth Street and Lincoln Boulevard in Lincoln downtownlincolnca.com

# **Annual Holiday Craft Fair**

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 at Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Drive in Roseville.

roseville.ca.us

# NOVEMBER

# **Cowpoke Fall** Gathering

Nov. 9-11 at Blue Goose Event Center, 3550 Taylor Road in

cowpokefallgathering.com

# **Turkey Trot**

At 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 22 at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street in Roseville. rosevilleturkeytrot.itsyourrace.

# International Railfair **Model Railroad Show**

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 10-11 @the Grounds, 800 All American City Boulevard in Roseville. internationalrailfair.com

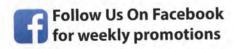
# **Annual Placer Art Studios Tour**

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 9-11 at studio locations throughout Placer County. placerarts.org





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