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CALENDAR

JUNE 7 / Wednesday

BUSINESS CARD EXCHANGE 7:30-9:30 AM / Rio Hondo College 3600 Workman Mill Rd, Whittier CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS 3:30-4:30 PM / The Clarke Estate 10211 Pioneer Blvd, Santa Fe Springs SANTA FE SPRINGS CHAMBER BOARD INSTALLATION RECEPTION 4:30-6 PM / The Clarke Estate 10211 Pioneer Blvd, Santa Fe Springs

JUNE 8 / Thursday

SANTA FE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL 6 PM / SFS City Council Chambers 11710 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

JUNE 9 / Friday

SOCAL SKYLIGHTS **GRAND OPENING / RIBBON CUTTING** 10 AM-6 PM / 10370 Slusher Dr, #2 Santa Fe Springs

JUNE 15 / Thursday

NETWORKING @ NOON 11:30 AM-1 PM / Tepeyac Restaurant & Tequila Sports Bar, 13131 Crossroads Parkway South, City of Industry

JUNE 16 / Friday

QUALITY LIFT 20th ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE 11 AM-1 PM / 10845 Norwalk Blvd, SFS

JUNE 22 / Thursday

SANTA FE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL 6 PM / SFS City Council Chambers 11710 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

JUNE 24 / Saturday

DESTINY DINNER 6-11 PM / Highway 39 Event Center 1563 South State College Blvd, Anaheim

<u>JUNE 27 / Tuesday</u>

HR FORUM 11:45 AM-1 PM / Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center, 9255 Pioneer Blvd, SFS

JUNE 28 / Wednesday

AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE 8:30-9:30 AM / SFS Chamber Office 12016 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

JUNE 30 / Friday

RCA LEGISLATIVE FORUM 8–9 AM / SFS Chamber Office 12016 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

JULY 4 / Tuesday

SFS CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED IN **OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY**

JULY 12 / Wednesday

CHAMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 11:45 AM-1 PM / SFS Chamber Office 12016 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

YEF BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1-2 PM / SFS Chamber Office 12016 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

JULY 13 / Thursday

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SFS Youth **Enrichment** Fund Awards **Powell Grants**

Two local talented college students are this year's Powell Grant recipients.

Emily Rodriguez, a sophomore at UC Santa Cruz and a prior graduate of Santa Fe High School impressed the scholarship committee with her art portfolio.

Although majoring in art and design with an emphasis in game design, her portfolio contained draw-



card game she de- Emily Rodriguez signed and a video game.

Emily is excited about pursuing her genre of art because it is a new and expanding field which not many women are involved in. She is hoping that she can one day serve as an inspiration to younger girls to pursue any field they want to.

Jasmine Rodriguez is a senior at Chapman University and also a prior graduate of Santa Fe High School. Jasmine is studying vocal performance and is a very talented singer.

Jasmine grew up singing in her church and later joined the choir at Santa Fe High School which inspired her to pursue a musical ca-

reer.

ing, she works three different jobs, and enjoys hiking, art museums, and spreading her love of music.

The Powell Grant is awarded annually to student(s) pursuing a career in the arts. The grant is in honor of former city manager Don Powell and his wife, Jackie.

Save the Date: September 13 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

YEF Awards Destiny College Scholarship to Daniel Fong

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber's Youth Enrichment Fund is pleased to announce Daniel Fong as this year's Destiny Scholarship recipient.

Daniel, who is a senior at Santa Fe High was selected from a very talented and large pool of students. His ambition, hard work and leadership skills won the respect of the judges.

Daniel will use his \$20,000 scholarship over the next four years at Biola University, where he will be pursing an education in medicine.

Daniel says he gets his greatest fulfillment in life by dealing with the public and making a difference in the community by helping people. He has been involved in the Sheriff Explorer Program which has allowed him to volunteer throughout the community for years.

In addition to his honors and AP classes, Daniel participated in cross country and track and field.

\$100 Scholarships Awarded

In addition, the Youth Enrichment Fund awarded five \$100 scholarships to outstanding high school seniors.

Andrew DeLeon of Santa Fe High School will be attending Arizona State to become a firefighter.

Sara Echeverria also of Santa Fe High School will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo to pursue a career as

Destiny Dinner Committee Working Hard!







Scholarship Chairperson Joanne Klemm, Comet Employment Services, congratulates Daniel Fong.

a physician's assistant.

Francisco Espinoza who attends St. Paul High School will be going to Cal State Los Angeles in the fall to study fire science.

Paul Legarreta, currently a senior at Southeast Academy High School, also wants to study firefighting and will be doing so at Vanguard University.

Kathy Mancinas of Santa Fe High School will be studying biology at the University of California, Irvine.

These scholarships and many other youth programs are possible through generous donations from the business community.

The committee members are working hard to make this year's Destiny Dinner the best yet. Invitations have gone out and reservations are coming in so don't miss out and make your reservation now.

Everyone is invited to this fun-filled evening all designed to meet other members of the chamber while benefiting youth programs in Santa Fe Springs.

Come prepared for fun while eating, dancing and bidding. We are looking for silent auction items, so please call us if you or your company have an item to donate. No item is too small or too big!

Our silent auctions are always very eclectic and have everything from toilet paper donated by Solaris Paper to sports tickets and weekend stays donated by hotels. This year, one lucky winner will win tickets to see



Jasmine

Besides study-Rodriguez



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JULY 20 / Thursday

NETWORKING @ NOON 11:30 AM-1 PM / location TBD

JULY 26 / Wednesday

AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE 8:30–9:30 AM / SFS Chamber Office 12016 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

'Win Big with the SFS Chamber' **Business Expo Heritage Park** Santa Fe Springs



Faith Hill and Tim McGraw.

The event, called Diners, Driveins and Destiny, will be held at the Highway 39 Event Center on June 24. Visit www.sfschamber.com or call the chamber to make your reservation.

Thank you to the following sponsors (as of print time): Rhodes Scholar Sponsor: Golden Springs Development Co. Supervisor Janice Hahn Triangle Distributing Company **Doctorate Sponsor:** City of Santa Fe Springs HealthFirst Medical Group **PIH Health** Tangram Interiors Masters Sponsor: BreitBurn Serv-Wel Disposal & Recycling Stifel - Daniel J. McMillan Please call the chamber or email grana@sfschamber.com if you would like to add your name to this list.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Daniel J. McMillan, Stifel Financial Corporation



Having the opportunity to serve as chamber president this year has given me a deeper understanding and appreciation for how the chamber and city work together behind the scenes to create the positive, business friendly environment we all enjoy here in the City of Santa Fe Springs.

My tag line for this year was "Growing Together" and it reminded of these quote:

Be not afraid of growing slowly, be afraid only of standing still. —Chinese proverb

As my year as chamber president

SFS Chamber Website Statistics April 2017

Hits: 26,455

Event hits: 6,455

Directory hits: 12,440

Top five categories searched:

Automotive

Import/export

Warehousing - logistics

Food and beverage

Schools

Top five members searched:

U.S. Corrugated of Los Angeles, Inc. Easter Seals Southern California – SFS Vans Inc.

FedEx Ground

Royal Imex, Inc.

Member-to-member discount hits: 286

Job hits: 621

comes to an end, I look back at how fast the year flew by. Since this is my last newsletter, I'd like to highlight the dynamic team of leaders in our community that brought all this to fruition.

First, I would like to thank the chamber staff. I feel so fortunate to have served as president with Kathie Fink as our CEO. She has been supportive and a guiding light for me this year behind the scenes. Kathie has assembled a creative, talented, hardworking staff that truly is the heart of our chamber.

Thank you, Marketing & Sales Director Colin Diaz; Sue Grana, Special Events/Youth Services; Maricela Castellanos, Bookkeeper/Special Events; and Christy Lindsay, Member Services/ Special Events.

The Executive Team was outstanding this past year and did a great job of leading by example—Vice President of Public Affairs Debbie Baker of Simpson Advertising Inc., Vice President of Member Services Randall Courtney of DDWerks, Vice President of Youth Enrichment Fund Lisa Boyajian of Ansa Insurance Services, and Treasurer Liz Buckingham of Friendly Hills Bank.

I want to wish our incoming president Sharon Wu, Roquemore, Pringle



& Moore, Inc., all the best and I hope she enjoys serving as much as I have this year.

A special thank you goes to mayors Richard Moore and William Rounds, city council members and the city of Santa Fe Springs management team under the thoughtful leadership of City Manager Thaddeus McCormack.

Lastly, I want to thank our Santa Fe Springs Chamber members and residents. The strength of the community is all of our small steps every day to improve where we work and live.

It is a mistake to try to look too far abead. The chain of destiny can only be grasped one link at a time.

—Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

Thank you to all for allowing me the privilege of serving as Santa Fe Springs chamber president for the 2016-17 term.

CAPC Inc. Host Annual Six-Chamber Kaleidoscope Event

CAPC Inc., a nonprofit centered on empowering individuals with disabilities, hosted its annual Kaleidoscope mixer. The six-chamber event combines networking, and a silent auction to raise awareness, funds and support for CAPC Inc. This year's event featured a different layout, but with the same great vibe.



Director of Sales Tonimarie Cruz, The Bicycle Hotel & Casino, poses for a photo while signing our Win Big with the \$F\$ Chamber board!



Chamber Board Member Teri Bazen, Norwalk/La Mirada Plumbing & HVAC. poses after signing the Win

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Big with the \$F\$ chamber board with ambassador Michael Aguilar, LegalShield.



COMMUNITY NEWS



City's 60th Anniversary – Historical Bridge Crossing Wrap Unveiled!

In honor of the city's milestone celebration and to commemorate the festivities planned for the anniversary held this past May, the city wrapped the railroad crossing at the intersection of Telegraph Road and Pioneer Boulevard in a mesh fabric that proudly displays historical images of the city dating 60 years back. Permission was obtained from the BNSF Railroad to accomplish this task just a few days before the May 6 celebration. City officials hope that the community will enjoy seeing these historical images as they travel through one of the city's major thoroughfares.

Free Concerts and Movie Nights at Heritage Park This Summer

Thanks to a very generous donation by L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn, the city is expanding the movie and concert series this summer.

For a full nine weeks this summer, families in the community can spend a Friday evening under the stars enjoying music and film. Both the movies and concerts are hosted at our beautiful and historic Heritage Park, located at 12100 Mora Drive.

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets as seating is on the green! Those who wish to purchase food, can buy affordable options from el Tepeyac at Heritage Park, as well as other goodies for sale.

Movies begin at approximately 8:15 p.m. (or dusk) and concerts will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Movie - June 16	"Sing"	8:15 p.m.
Concert - June 23	Chico (Salsa, Latin R&B)	6:30 p.m.
Movie - June 30	"Selena"	8:15 p.m.
Concert - July 7	Yachty by Nature ('70s-'80s Soft Rock)	6:30 p.m.
Movie - July 14	"Beauty and the Beast" (Animated Classic)	8:15 p.m.
Concert - July 21	Smith Band (Pop Country)	6:30 p.m.
Movie - July 28	"Moana"	8:15 p.m.
Concert - August 4	Mariachi Performance	6:30 p.m.
Movie - August 11	"The Lego Batman Movie"	8:15 p.m.







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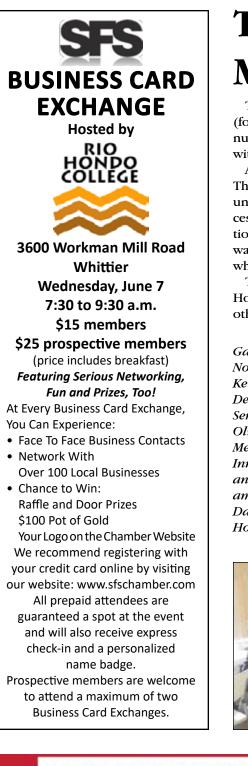
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Chamber's Entry for City's 60th Anniversary Parade

Representing the Santa Fe Springs Chamber were chamber and YEF board member Curtis Mello, HERAEUS; Colin Diaz, chamber staff; YEF Board Member Wendy Meador, Tangram Interiors; Andrew Courtney; chamber and YEF board member Liz Buckingham, Friendly Hills Bank; CEO Kathie Fink, SFS Chamber; chamber and YEF board member Randall Courtney, DDWERKS; chamber and YEF board member Debbie Baker, Simpson Advertising Inc.; chamber ambassador Claudia Fimbres, Bluemoon Onstage; past presidents Jane and Rob Roberson; Chamber President-Elect Sharon Wu, Roquemore, Pringle & Moore, Inc.; YEF mentor and Santa Fe Springs resident Vera Mendoza; Chamber President Daniel J. McMillian, Stifel; and Maricela Castellanos, chamber staff.



BUSINESS CARD EXCHANGE



The Grove at Cerritos Hosts May Multichamber Networking Breakfast

The May Business Card Exchange took place at The Grove at Cerritos' (formerly Vintage Cerritos) beautiful and free-flowing courtyard. The annual breakfast, which has become a May tradition, was held in collaboration with the Norwalk Chamber.

Attendance was good, the food was great, and the networking even better. The mixture of Santa Fe Springs and Norwalk chamber members offered unique opportunities to network with individuals who are not usually accessible on a regular basis. Many attendees left with new contacts, in addition to strengthening relationships with old ones. The networkers shared ways to spice up business and appreciate employees and relationships, all while learning interesting facts about one another.

The next networking event is the June 7 Business Card Exchange at Rio Hondo College, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier. For registration and other information, please visit us at www.sfschamber.com.

Gary Murpby, Norwalk Florist; Kevin Carlin, Dental Healtb Services; Mattbew Olivera and Laura Mendoza, Holiday Inn La Mirada; and cbamber ambassador Darwin Vande Hoef, Insperity





Attendees listen to table discussions from their peers.



Norwalk Chamber CEO Caren Spilsbury (left) and Santa Fe Springs Chamber CEO Kathie Fink (right) present The Grove at Cerritos Executive Director Laura Trujillo and Marketing Director Kris Schero a certificate of appreciation.



Carlos Gallardo, Farmers & Merchant Bank; "Pot of Gold" winner Olga Mejia, The Grove at Cerritos; SFS Chamber CEO Kathie Fink; and SFS Chamber Board Member Teri Bazen, Norwalk La Mirada Plumbing



The Grove at Cerritos

At The Grove at Cerritos, your days can be as full as you wish. With an amazing location right next to the vibrant Cerritos College and close to cultural attractions like the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts and Cerritos Sculpture Garden, The Grove can be your home base for a life filled to the brim with possibilities.

Here are the amenities you will find at The Grove at Cerritos:

- Dine Your Way at The Grove's onsite restaurant with evolving menus and daily fresh specials
- Lushly landscaped community park, serene rose garden, walking paths and patio seating area to stroll and relax outdoors
- Barbeque area for friendly gatherings
- Market for sundries and convenience
- Activity room for group events
- Library for enjoying a good book or a game of cards
- Full service beauty salon/barber shop to keep you looking your best
- Assisted living services for your peace of mind
- Pet friendly environment so bring your best friend
- The Grove's beautiful and thoughtfully-designed studio, one- and two-bed-room residences include the following:
- Kitchenette with microwave, refrigerator and freezer
- Individual climate controls (heating and air conditioning)
- Safety assist grab bars and cushioned bench in showers



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MEMBER NEWS



SFS Chamber board, ambassadors, members and staff join local elected official reps and the Sharp team for the ribbon cutting.

Sharp Business Solutions Cuts Ribbon at New Location

On Cinco de Mayo, Sharp Business Solutions kicked off its new location with a taco bar and ribbon cutting.

The ceremony, which was attended by representatives of local officials, including Supervisor Janice Hahn, Assembly Majority Leader Ian Calderon, Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, State Senator Tony Mendoza, and chamber members, featured tours and product demonstrations.



SFS Chamber CEO Kathie Fink presents a certificate of congratulations to Sharp Business Solutions District Manager Mark Meadows.



The caffeinated crowd eagerly awaits the cutting of the ribbon.



Starbucks Hosts Grand Opening



SFS Chamber CEO Kathie Fink and SFS Chamber Board Member Rick Landis, SFS Swapmeet, present a certificate of congratulations to Store Manager Beatrice Barajas, Starbucks-Telegraph Road and Carmenita Road.

of Drive-Through Location

Starbucks at Carmenita and Telegraph recently moved. It is now on the corner of Telegraph Road and Gunn Avenue. The move gives the store much more space, a vibrant location and a drive-through which is sure to stay busy.

To celebrate this move, Starbucks hosted a grand opening event replete with drinks, food and raffle items.

Local representation from the city and chamber were on hand to congratulate Starbucks on its momentus achievement.

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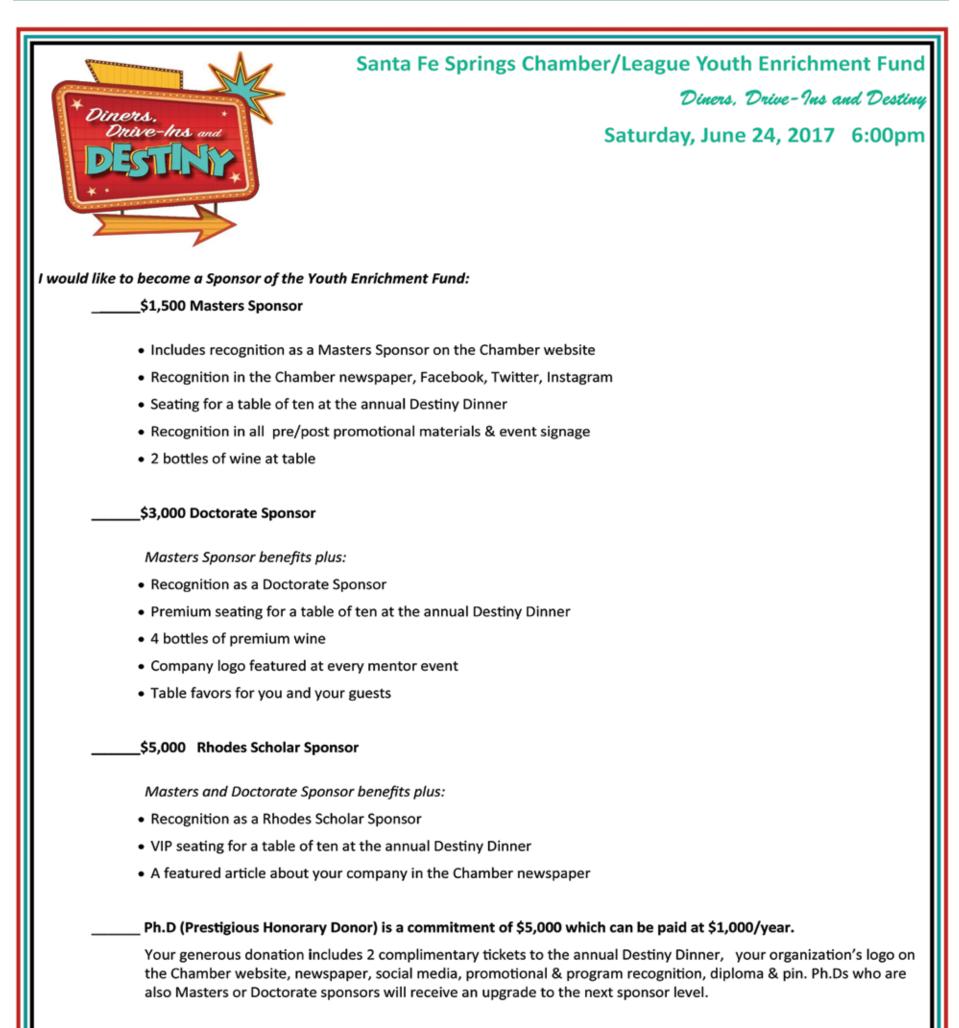
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Your support will help enrich the lives of Santa Fe Springs youth, our future leaders!



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For further information please call the SFS Chamber at 562/944-1616 or visit www.sfschamber.com

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MEMBER NEWS



Downey Dental Arts Hosts Multichamber Grand Opening

Downey Dental Arts hosted the Santa Fe Springs and Pico Rivera chambers for its multichamber ribbon cutting.

The office, which is in Downey, gave tours to attendees, offered food and drinks, and provided travel dental kits to guests.

The event culminated with a complete dental makeover given to a person in need.

SFS Chamber President Daniel J. McMillan, Stifel, presents Downey Dental Arts owner Hamid Barkbordar a certificate of congratulations.



Cheers all around as the group celebrated the official cutting of the ribbon.

Rotary Club of Santa Fe Springs Awards \$10,000 in Scholarships



Rotary Club of Santa Fe Springs scholarship recipients

By Brenda Wiewel

The club has about 18 members and, like similar organizations, our purpose is to do good in the world – and locally. Sure, we enjoy lunch together weekly, our meetings always have compelling speakers and we develop long lasting friendships, but the real satisfaction comes from serving others, contributing to the community, and making a difference.

On Tuesday, May 9, our club awarded the following students from the Santa Fe Springs area \$10,000 in scholarships. In order to be eligible, students needed to have good grades combined with a solid record of community service and show a financial need. The applications were reviewed by the Rotary Club of Santa Fe Springs's scholarship committee.

\$2,000 Scholarships:

Lizzette Cardenas – Santa Fe High Gina Marie Esparza – St. Paul High \$1,000 Scholarships:

- Zachary Aceves St. Paul High Marini Alvarez – Santa Fe High
- Francisco Carranco St. Paul High Alan Hernandez-Simon – Santa Fe High
- Savanna Sanchez Santa Fe High
- Briana Villalobos Santa Fe High

These gifts convey our motto, "Service Above Self." We want to support our community, our country and the entire world by preparing our students to be better citizens wherever they are.

Santa Fe Springs Rotary scholarships are funded by the club in part from its annual charity car show and various other fund-raising efforts. This year will be our 10th Annual Classic Car Show being held Sunday, October 15, 2017.

If you are interested in becoming a Rotarian please join us for lunch. We meet every Tuesday, at the DoubleTree Norwalk, at 12:15 p.m.

Going Beyond Networking – Changing Lives

direct benefit of the chamber, giving back. We have

so many members that have a civic heart and want

On multiple occasions, these stories take place

between multiple members in our chamber. Such is

the case with this next example. See how Norm Her-

ron, Pacific Technologies, met Marianne Anderson,

Interfaith Food Center (IFC), learned of a need they

had and provided a solution that will both benefit

IFC, as well as all of the families they serve.

to positively impact the community they are in.

There are so many ways to utilize your chamber membership. From advocacy and representation to exposure and marketing, a business can find great benefit from both being a member and utilizing a chamber to align with their business goals.

Every day, we have members remind us of the impact we are able to have on their business. The collective feedback fuels us and drives future programs and resources.

Every now and then, we get to hear about an in-



"I met Norm at a SFS business card exchange and after a brief conversation, he graciously offered to help us with some IT issues as well as donate a computer to IFC.

"We recently launched a new nutrition education program at IFC in an attempt to gently lead our clients toward making healthier food choices in hopes of reducing their incidences of obesity, diabetes and heart disease.

"The computer Norm donated will be used to create the appropriate nutrition/health based material which will then be viewed on a TV which was donated by a friend of IFC.

"We will also be using it to create 'electronic flyers' informing our clients of opportunities such as free dental exams or free vaccinations.

"This information will be shown on the TV as we have concluded that our clients are much more likely to read information if it is shown on the TV rather than given to them in a conventional paper/ print format.

"We will also be sharing material put out by the



Los Angeles County Department of Health designed for clients like ours in need of basic health and nutrition information.

"As you know we have a lot of work to do in SPA 7 as far as health education is concerned. It is people like Norm who immediately recognize a need and then donate their time and offer available resources who help make a real difference in the lives of those in need in our community.

"We are very grateful to Norm and I am so very pleased to have met him at the Santa Fe Springs Business Card Exchange. Good things really do happen from contacts made at these morning meetings."

—Marianne Anderson, nutrition coordinator, Interfaith Food Center

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SECURITY AND SAFETY

See Something? Say Something!

By Captain Aviv Bar

Several years ago, the Department of Homeland Security launched the "If you see something, say something" public awareness campaign—a simple and effective program to raise public awareness of indicators of terrorism and violent crime, and to emphasize the importance of reporting suspicious activity to the proper state and local law enforcement authorities.

In essence, the concept of the campaign is to encourage members of the public to contact law enforcement when they see something suspicious and in doing so, hopefully prevent a crime from occurring or a terror attack from materializing.

As I review crime reports and statistics on a regular basis, I am amazed at the number of times witnesses observed suspicious activity, but failed to contact the police department. Usually, after a crime occurs, police officers will knock on neighbors' doors to see if they saw anything suspicious in hopes of gathering suspect information.

I repeatedly read statements such as, "The next door neighbor saw two males stand in front of the residence and one male jump over the side gate to the back yard—none of which lived at the residence." Yet the neighbor never called the police department. The end result in this specific case was a residential burglary. This scenario repeats itself on a regular basis.

By calling the police department when you observe suspicious persons or vehicles, you provide us the opportunity to disrupt a criminal act in progress, or prevent it from occurring in the first place. I sometimes hear from residents that they feel police officers have "more important things" to handle than to talk to a suspicious person on their street, and that they did not want to "bother the police" with such a call for service. My reply to them is that talking to suspicious persons and checking on suspicious vehicles IS that very important thing police officers do to prevent and deter criminal activity.

If you see a suspicious person, a suspicious vehicle, or suspicious activity in your neighborhood or business, please call us right away. For crimes or suspected crimes that are occurring as you call, dial 911 and you will speak to a police dispatcher immediately. For non-emergency calls, please contact us at (562) 567-9240.

Remember, crime prevention is a responsibility that is shared between residents, businesses, and the police department. If you see something, say something.

Aviv Bar is a captain with the Whittier Police Department and oversees the department's Investigations Division and the Santa Fe Springs Policing Team. He can be reached at (562) 567-9265 or via email at abar@cityofwhittier.org.

Remember, Buy from Chamber Members!

The following companies recently renewed their memberships. We salute these businesses and thank them for their continuing support. Members listed in boldface type donated to the Youth Enrichment Fund.

Member	Years
Golden Springs Development Co.	61
LKQ of Southern California	60
Industrial Control & Supply Company	33
Electric Sales Unlimited	28
Hexacomb Corporation a PCA Company	28
Gorlitz Sewer & Drain	27
Otto Systems	21
Vernola's Tow Service	21
Comet Employment Agency	18
HTS Environmental Services	17
Tangram Interiors	17
DDWerks	12
Hispanic Outreach Taskforce	12

Santa Fe Springs Crime Statistics Part I Crimes Monthly Comparison

Crimes reported	April 2017	2017 totals	2016 totals	difference
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Total	88	378	443	- 15 %
Homicide	0	0	1	- 100 %
Rape	0	1	4	- 75 %
Robbery	2	13	8	+ 63 %
Aggravated Assault	5	24	17	+ 41 %
Burglary	18	65	53	+ 23 %
Commercial/Retail	17	47	42	+ 12 %
Residential	1	18	11	+ 64 %
Vehicle	14	47	88	- 47 %
All Thefts	52	209	304	- 31 %
Vehicle	11	52	57	- 9%
Shoplifting	8	33	50	- 34 %
Auto Theft	9	61	54	+ 13 %
Arson	2	5	2	+ 100 %



SANTA FE SPRINGS

Human Resources Forum Background Check Issues

Presented by Cody Farzad Employers Choice Online, Inc.

Tuesday, June 27, 11:45 am to 1:00 pm Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center 9255 Pioneer Blvd., Santa Fe Springs

Special thanks to Ansa Insurance Services for sponsoring lunch at this **free**, monthly, members-only roundtable meeting.



Register online at sfschamber.com or call 562-944-1616.

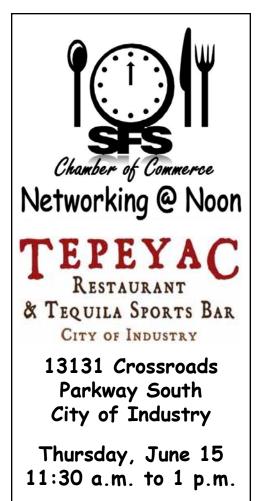


Hispanic Outreach Taskforce	12
LeFiell Manufacturing Company	10
Solaris Paper, Inc.	10
Southern California Valve	5
Votaw Precision Technologies Inc.	4
Askew Industrial Corp.	3
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DoubleTree by Hilton Whittier-Los Angeles Hosts May Networking @ Noon

The DoubleTree by Hilton Whittier-Los Angeles played host to the May Networking @ Noon. The Atrium Ballroom was a great venue as the space allowed networkers to connect while enjoying the great food selection.



Hostess Trese Childs, DoubleTree by Hilton Whittier-Los Angeles, shares some laughs with Matthew Olivas and Joselin Nucum of the Holiday Inn La Mirada.



Attendees listening to Danielle Strickland, Sharp Business Systems, as she shares her excitement about her job and what she does.



Attendees enjoying their lunch while networking.

Single-Payer Healthcare Bill, SB 562, Will Cost California \$400 Billion Per Year

By Beth Miller/Brooke Armour

Rob Lapsley, president of the California Business Roundtable, issued the following statement May 22 regarding the State Senate's report that SB 562 (Lara / Atkins), the single-payer healthcare bill, will cost \$400 billion per year to implement:

"Let's look at the facts: California's 2017-18 budget is estimated at \$180 billion. We are the highest tax state in the nation, we are growing lowerwage and higher-wage jobs while losing middle-class jobs, unemployment is below five percent yet we are

already projecting a budget deficit in the short term.

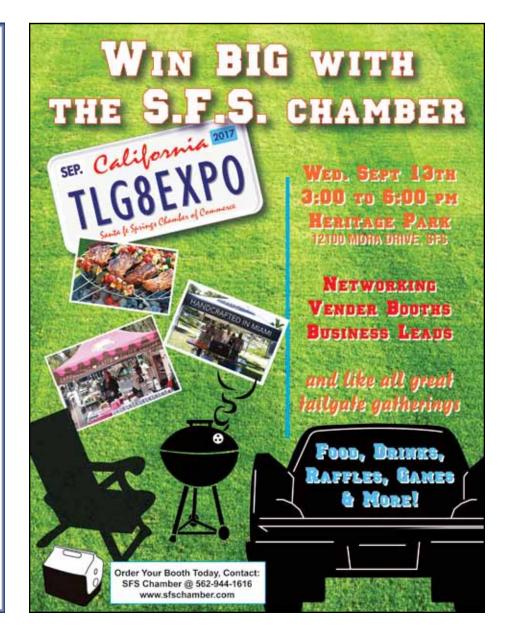
"We have billions in unfunded pension and health care liabilities, a worst-in-the-nation poverty rate, long-term debt and a growing housing crisis. But now the Legislature wants to consider a 200 percent increase in the state budget. There is no responsible way to pay for this proposal.

"We are already seeing an exodus of low- and middle-income residents from our state. SB 562 is part of an ongoing progressive agenda that will only result in progressively bankrupting California."

The California Business Roundtable is a non-partisan organization composed of major employers throughout the state—with a combined workforce of more than half a million employees. For 40 years the Roundtable has identified the issues critical to a healthy business climate and provided the leadership needed to strengthen California's economy and create jobs.

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Students Are Inspired at the J. Paul Getty Museum

Henry David Thoreau said "It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see." Students in Santa Fe High School's Business Academy experienced this first hand last month when they visited the J. Paul Getty Museum with the chamber's mentoring program.

Mentors guided their students through the various galleries viewing paintings, sculptures, decorative arts, and paintings. Students went on a "scavenger hunt" for art works, learned about J. Paul Getty, viewed the architecture and enjoyed a picnic lunch with their mentors.

Part of being successful in business is having the ability to discuss a variety of topics. This trip offered the students the opportunity to broaden their horizons. Most of them had never visited an art museum before.

This wonderful opportunity was made possible through The Latham Grant which was established through contributions of the business community to honor former city manager Fred Latham.



Sharon Wu of Roquemore, Pringle and Moore, explored the gardens at The Getty with ber students.

Lyonel Alexandre of Community Bank and students from the academy visit the many exhibits.



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> <u>Date</u> Friday, June 30, 2017 8:00 - 9:00 am

> > <u>Location</u>

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Classically designed to have a warm, evocative aesthetic, Ravello's spacious dining room, Italian granite-topped full bar, glass enclosed patio and private dining rooms make it the perfect place for all occasions, whether it's a quiet night out with friends and family, a quick gourmet lunch with co-workers, a date night or a wedding reception - for all those occasions and more we want you to know that when you visit Ravello providing you with the best dining experience possible will always be our goal.

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S & P Restaurant & Sports Bar is a restaurant that opened up in early May. The dining room, with a short order table top seat, also had a salad bar and ample seating. On the other end of the restaurant

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