Here Comes the Parade

Story and Photo by Elise Spivak

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) – Over $18,000 has been raised so far for the cure of the disease. Over two hundred survivors, caregivers, family members and friends, along with organizations also raising funds and sharing information on different cancers participated in the day which began at 11 a.m. and ended at 11 p.m.

On this national “Relay for Life” day, the Sunrise Mall parking lot at Greenback and is sponsored by the 13th annual Citrus Heights Council Relay for Life, as he has been cancer free for 13 years. Dale Van Duker who spoke of his own successful battle with cancer and those they have cared for: those in remission, those still bravely battling their cancer and those in the care of patients and the eventual care of all cancer survivors, in celebration of their having fought the hard fight and come back to their families and friends. Survivors also share with those newly diagnosed with others fighting cancer themselves. Caregivers of cancer patients, past and present were awarded sashes and recognized for what it takes to give themselves in their care of all those who have cared for those in remission, those still bravely battling their cancer and those who have lost their battle.

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Charles Durrett and the Co-Housing Connection

By Saraphim Winslow

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California Tobacco Laws Go Into Effect

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CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - State Senator_CACHE_ has selected Nichole Harshbarger, a first-grade teacher at Kentwood K-8, and Bradley Ward, an English and AVID teacher at Mesa Verde High School, as the district’s 2017 Teachers of the Year. Harshbarger and Ward will be formally recognized by the board of education in the fall, their names will be forwarded to the Sacramento County Office of Education for the statewide Teacher of the Year program.

Harshbarger has worked for San Juan Unified for the past 12 years, starting out at Skyway and Dyer-Kelly early childhood centers. She became a teacher at Skyway in 2006, and holds a Masters in Educational Leadership from La Verne University as well as a National Board Certification in Early Childhood Literacy. Ward has been teaching in San Juan Unified schools for 18 years, beginning at Wil Rogers Middle School and moving to Lichen K-8 before coming to Mesa Verde in 2012.

Teaching is her second career, after retiring from owning a photography studio in 2005. Retirement lasted a mere six months before she was urged him to find another avenue for his energy. Congratulations to these two exemplary teachers!

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Mesa Verde High, Kingswood K-8 Educators Named Teachers of the Year

ORANGEVALE, CA (MPG) - George David Marks, Sr. died peacefully in Orangevale, CA on May 24 at age 94 years. He was survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Sharon Marks, and cherished children G. David Marks, Jr. and Rosana. Beloved “Pappy” of grandchil- dren Sanka and Nandan, he is also survived by his younger sister Mildred Lombardo of North Carolina.

George was born in New Castle, PA on August 22, 1921, the seventh of twelve children. Following Pearl Harbor, George was drafted by the Army. He had paid his self- taught knowledge of Morse code to get accepted as a radio operator intercepting and inter- preted German transmissions for the 117th Signal Intelligence Company. He served in the Army for 32 months, in five campaigns, followed by 25 years in civil service at McClellan Air Force Base. He had taught himself French, Italian and German during the war, and following the war became fluent in Spanish and American Sign Language (ASL).

After the war had ended, George rediscovered his love of folk dancing. It was dur- ing this activity that he met and married Mildred Lombardo in March 1950. They later found work at McClellan Air Force Base, retiring in 1983. He also served 15 years as an ASL interpreter working with deaf and hard-of-hearing workers at the base.

George was a dedicated husband and father to his two children. Camping and swim- ming were popular family activities. A constant presence wherever their accent came from, George amazed those he met. He also survived by his younger sister Mildred Lombardo of North Carolina.

In recent years, he joined the American Legion Post 9637 of Citrus Heights. George and several of his fellow WWII veterans had also became regulars at the annual Citrus Heights Veterans Appreciation Picnic since 2012 where he would often sport his Army dress uniform, dance with the ladies and tell his multi-locale stories.

Donations made in memory of George Marks can be sent to the Citrus Heights American Legion Post 9637, P. O. Box 1, Citrus Heights, CA 95651. Source: Marks family with Permission.

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Regional Transit is proposing major cuts to bus service in Citrus Heights. Some of the proposed cuts include Routes 21, 24, 25, 93, and 95 that provide bus service in Citrus Heights and the Citrus Heights City Ride dia-rail-a-side service. You can voice your thoughts and concerns about the pro- posed cuts. Residents and public transit riders can contact RT by email at customerservice@transit.org or by mail at Customer Advocacy, Sacramento Regional Transit District, P.O. Box 1, Sacramento, CA 95812-2110. You can also call them at 916-537-4554. (Language Assistance: 916-537-4545).

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Marlys John Norris is the Christian author of seven books. You may contact her at Marlys@ptc.com.

Boundaries

By Marlys John Norris, Christian Author

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By Pastor Ray Dow

One of the foundational truths of life is this: You belong to God. You do not belong to your job or career, or your past, things your regret, or to other people. You were made for God and a relationship with God. That’s what Christianity is all about. It’s about connecting with God and staying connected to God. The problem is many things happen in life which distracts us from connecting with God. Things get chaotic. Life is not always good, times are often disappointments. There are often fulfilled expectations. There are problems, there are hurts, there are confusing times, there are tears. When you have no idea what you’re going to happen next and you feel afraid. How do you handle times when you face an uncertain future? Where do you find peace when things get chaotic in your life?

Here’s where you find peace and confidence. David writes, “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?” We do not have to be afraid. The Lord protects me from danger— no matter how great or dire or tremble? When evil people come to destroy me, when my enemies and foes attack me, they will stumble and fall. Though a mighty army surrounds me, my heart will have no fear… if they attack me, I remain confident.”

Psalm 27:1-3 (NLT)

God wants to give you hope and confidence when situations seem hopeless in your life. God will not say you are a “workaholic,” at least out loud. Her saying seems hopeless in your life. God will not say you have a job or career, or your past, things your regret, or to other people. You were made for God and a relationship with God. That’s what Christianity is all about. It’s about connecting with God and staying connected to God. The problem is many things happen in life which distracts us from connecting with God. Things get chaotic. Life is not always good, times are often disappointments. There are often fulfilled expectations. There are problems, there are hurts, there are confusing times, there are tears. When you have no idea what you’re going to happen next and you feel afraid. How do you handle times when you face an uncertain future? Where do you find peace when things get chaotic in your life?

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SEA SERPENT (PHANTOM), $9.99 - Crowd-pleasing crackers, whistles, during color effects, and height, hits the tally in the 10-foot legal limit. 100 seconds. 2 Stars.

FLIGHT OF FANCY (DFS), $29.95 - Brand new flower-shaped fountain from Black Cat packs a dazzling display of multicolored showers and pearls, silver cracksling, cracker, and golden flowers. 123 seconds. 3 Stars.

CORE REACTOR (DFS), $29.95 - It's Phantom's powerful Firecracker Fountain on steroids, featuring amazing silver crackles from start to finish, incredible height for the price. 75 seconds.

SPARKMIND (TNT), $24.95 - Custom fountain comes alive with a unique effect that has gardeners of sparks blooming in and out before going into a frenzy. 85 seconds.

SHUT UP (DFS), $24.95 - Volcano-like range of multicolors and sparkles and fountains give this year-old fountain high marks. Includes crackers, whistles and chrysanthemums. 90 seconds. 2/2 Stars.

FROM THE HEART (DFS), $24.95 - Debuting last year outside California, this heart-shaped fountain from Black Cat did well with whitish, chrysanthemums and pink sparkles if not for the fleeting burn time and height-stopping effect. 50 seconds.

GOOD VS. EVIL (TNT), $19.99 (FOR BOTH) - Silly marketing gimmick has the modest Rocketman Fountain battle the even less impressive Rage Monster Fountain. Both fountain combo is called “Good vs. Evil.” Despite coming in a few seconds shorter, “Good” gets the nod with a daring spark, or fire, effect. Rocketman, 83 seconds; Rage Monster, 57 seconds. 2/2 Stars.

HAVE YOUR FLAG (TNT), $17.99 - Long may this fountain wave with wide-spacing cracking sparks, whistles and a patriotic price. 65 seconds.

NUCLEAR PHYSICS (DFS), $15.99 - Mushroom cloud-shaped packaging is the most unique feature of this 2-year-old fountain from Phantom. That said, pretty golden flowers, silver chrysanthemums, many crackers and a fair price give this item a warm welcome in California. 66 seconds. 2/2 Stars.

CATFISH (DFS), $13.95 - A late arrival to California is this heart-shaped fountain from Black Cat that mesmerizes with multi-colored, full effect. 72 seconds. 2/2 Stars.

HULA-H. BLUE (Phantom), $12.95 - Low on height, but high on beauty with a new vibrant cobalt blue. Expected more blue due to its name, Good burn time for the price. 60 seconds. 2/2 Stars.

BEE’S KNEES (DFS), $11.95 - Vibrant fountain from Phantom is fans favorite for multi-colored chrysanthemums with impressive titanium crackles. Sweet burn time and plenty of heights.

SERENITY (Phantom), $15.99 - Noiseless fountain opens with lovely lave lamp-like lamps and pleasantly pulses with silver color and white chrysanthemums. 99 seconds.

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PHANTOM DRAGON SLAYER (Phantom), $20.95 FOR TWO - Solid buy with pretty white, blue and white crackers, rowdy crackles and red rattles. 66 seconds.

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PURPLE RAIN (DFS), $15.95 FOR TWO AND MANDARIN SNAKE (DFS), $29.95 FOR ONE - Identical little titans sent tiny loud crackles, purple peals and glittering gold and white words. 45 seconds.


BEST OF THE REST (4-5 STARS)

COLUMBIA (TNT) 4S $18.99 AND CORAL BREEF (TNT) $12.99 - “TNT’s” is the proudest of the group, a long-lasting, 100-gram fan fountain that shows with radiant colors and cloud-merging whitestones and crackers. No wonder Phantom came out with the intimidatingly powerful Coral Reef last year. Best finale for the money since TNT’s Open Sky. 90/90, 130 seconds with up $5, drops it to 5 stars. 105 seconds.

ARCHIVE FRESCO PERFORMANCE (Phantom), $19.95 - A former “Best New Fireworks,” this fountain scores with seven effects, including some of the best crackers, strobes and height or more than the usual: 140 seconds.

PEACOCK TAIL FAN (Phantom), $34.95 - The former “Best New Fireworks” builds excitement with each dazzling stage. Works out to 65 cents per second, but the audience’s “oohs” and “ahhhs” are priceless. 54 seconds.

MANDARIN SNAKE (DFS), $29.95 - Vibrant fountain from Phantom is fans favorite for multi-colored chrysanthemums with impressive titanium crackles. Sweet burn time and plenty of heights.

SMOKE ON THE WATER (Phantom), $24.99 - A former “Best New Fireworks,” this fountain scores with seven effects, including some of the best crackers, strobes and height or more than the usual: 140 seconds.

DELIRIUM (TNT), $9.99 - Stunning fountain that wows with radiant colors and cloud-merging whitestones and crackers. No wonder Phantom came out with the intimidatingly powerful Coral Reef last year. Best finale for the money since TNT’s Open Sky. 90/90, 130 seconds with up $5, drops it to 5 stars. 105 seconds.

KING OF BLING PHANTOM, $14.95 - Crackles heard during the final third sound just like popping poppers. Burn time and height and whitestones and effect are majestic for the price. 90 seconds.

LETTER SNAKE (Phantom), $13.95 - Starts out as a run-of-the-mill effect fountain, but then surprises with an omission of wide-spacing cracks. 73 seconds.

TWILIGHT MAGIC (Phantom), $12.95 FOR TWO - A former “Best New Fireworks,” now a 2-for-1 item, has been exciting rotations of crackle and-wide and wide-spacing sparks. 77 seconds.

SUPER UPGRADE (TNT), $12.95 FOR TWO - T.N.C making this a bang-up one-time-item for just $12 more - a super new deal. Gorgeous peaks lead to a wave of multiple effects and some of the best and widest-spacing titanium crackles and for the price. 58 seconds.

FIRECRACKER FOUNTAIN (Phantom), $25.95 - A cut above to come with an awesome cracking barrage alongside multicolored pearls. 76 seconds.

PHANTOM DRAGON SLAYER (Phantom), $20.95 FOR TWO - Solid buy with pretty white, blue and white crackers, rowdy crackles and red rattles. 66 seconds.

CRYSTAL SKIES (DFS), $19.95 - 2014’s “Best New Fireworks” has great height, striking gold, purple and white, and crackles better than many fountains sold at double that price. 66 seconds.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE (DFS), $29.95 FOR TWO - Packs plenty of heat for the size and price. Loads strong white and powerful titanium cracking fireworks. 35 seconds.

RAINBOW SKIES (DFS), $28.50 - Terrific value-priced item, delivering on burn time, height and crackle. 56 seconds.

PURPLE RAIN (DFS), $15.95 FOR TWO AND MANDARIN SNAKE (DFS), $29.95 FOR ONE - Identical little titans sent tiny loud crackles, purple peals and glittering gold and white words. 45 seconds.
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