

Sleepover Party at the Library

By Cathy Tyson



Buck Buck (the chicken reading the book) is the Librarian's assistant and side kick. Photos provided

While most of the furry guests stayed up all night, Snoopy and Silvery Kitty were tucked out – so they decided to get some shut eye. A total of fifteen special stuffed animal guests, including a whale, tiger and unicorn came for the first ever Stuffed Animal Sleepover at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center.

Youth Services Librarian and party hostess Jenna Skinner reports that the guests "behaved pretty well, for the most part;" they had storytime, did some coloring, read books and ate

brownies. No evidence of pillow fights or toe-nail painting so far, and even if they trashed the place – they did a thorough job cleaning up the mess. Perhaps the guests all agreed that what happens in the library – stays in the library.

The stuffed animal owners, pint size library patrons, were each given a photo of their critter to take home when they picked up their respective animals the following day. Skinner said it was great fun and she'll definitely host a sleepover again.



Snoopy and friend sleeping in a cowboy hat

Bike Pathway Plans Keep Rolling Along

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After a number of meetings and site visits, and input from cyclists, business owners, and residents, a draft of the Options Study of the Multi-purpose Pathway is available online and a public presentation is scheduled for August 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Community Hall at the Library. Concerned residents can learn about all of the facets of the proposed downtown pathway: what it is, why it's important, where it's located and how much it's expected to cost. Check out the draft study at www.lafayettepathway.com.

"Over the years, there's been a lot of interest in what could and couldn't be done along this segment of the EBMUD Aqueduct ROW (right of way)," explains Lafayette Transportation Planner Leah Greenblat. "This study is in-

tended to provide the answers. If the City wants to pursue a pathway, the study serves as a long-range planning document so the City can appropriately plan for the pathway as nearby properties are developed or redeveloped. This will help the City make the most of any opportunities that may come along."

What about a general time-frame, especially in these tough economic times? "We don't anticipate that the whole pathway would be constructed in the very near-term, but when the economy turns around, the City will be in a good place to consider its options," Greenblat said. "Today we are asking, in the long-range vision of the City – is an off-street pathway through the downtown something the City should pursue?"

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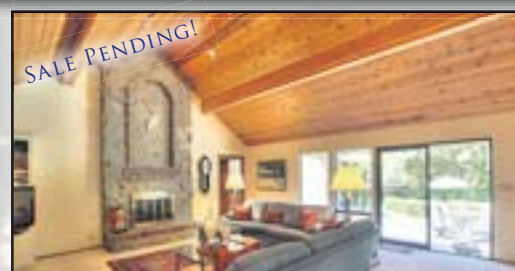
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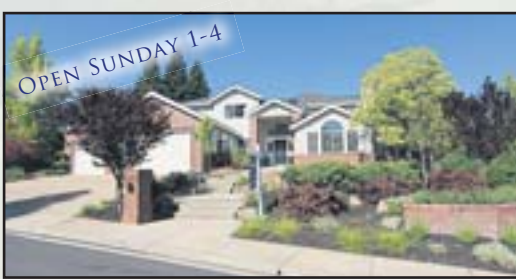
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