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## CALENDAR

### JUNE 6 / Wednesday

BUSINESS CARD EXCHANGE  
7:30–9:30 AM / DoubleTree Whittier  
7320 Greenleaf Ave, Whittier

### JUNE 11 / Monday

DESTINY DINNER COMMITTEE  
4–6 PM / SFS Chamber Office  
12016 Telegraph Rd, #100, SFS

### JUNE 12 / Tuesday

HR ROUNDTABLE  
12:15–1:30 PM / Gus Velasco  
Neighborhood Center, 9255 Pioneer Blvd,  
Santa Fe Springs

### JUNE 13 / Wednesday

YOUTH ENRICHMENT FUND BOARD  
2:30–3:30 PM / The Clarke Estate  
10211 Pioneer Blvd, Santa Fe Springs  
CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
3:30–4:30 PM / The Clarke Estate  
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SANTA FE SPRINGS CHAMBER  
BOARD INSTALLATION RECEPTION  
All chamber members welcome  
4:30–6 PM / The Clarke Estate  
10211 Pioneer Blvd, Santa Fe Springs

### JUNE 14 / Thursday

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

### JUNE 21 / Thursday

NETWORKING @ NOON  
11:30 AM–1 PM / Clearman's Steak n  
Stein, 9545 Whittier Blvd, Pico Rivera

### JUNE 23 / Saturday

DESTINY DINNER  
at Strawberry Farms Golf Club  
5:30–10 PM  
11 Strawberry Farms Rd, Irvine

### JUNE 27 / Wednesday

AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE  
8:30–9:30 AM / SFS Chamber Office  
12016 Telegraph Rd, #100, SFS  
ZIPS DRY CLEANING RIBBON CUTTING  
4–6 PM / 13473 Telegraph Rd, #C,  
Whittier

### JUNE 28 / Thursday

RCA LEGISLATIVE FORUM  
8–9 AM / SFS Chamber Office  
12016 Telegraph Rd, #100, SFS  
SANTA FE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL  
6 PM / SFS City Council Chambers  
11710 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs

### JUNE 30 – JULY 4

FIREWORKS STAND sponsored by SFS  
Youth Enrichment Fund opens at 12 NOON  
Telegraph and Carmenita between  
Chase Bank and Yum Yum Donuts

### JULY 4 / Wednesday

CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED  
in observance of Independence Day

### JULY 12 / Thursday

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

## Denim, Diamonds and Destiny!

Join us for the 24th Annual Destiny Dinner which will be held on June 23 at the Strawberry Farms Golf Course in Irvine. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to be a part of a truly outstanding evening.

In addition to a wonderful dinner and silent auction, there will be dancing in the barn and entertainment. Wear your western-themed attire to the event – cowboy hats, boots, diamonds, even jeans are acceptable at this event!

The evening celebrates the Youth Enrichment Fund and those who have benefitted from it while raising funds for the work we do. The YEF provides educational, cultural and vocational opportunities to the youth in our community.

Programs such as mentoring, college scholarships, CHOICES seminars, leadership programs, career fairs, and field trips provide learning and



growth opportunities for students. The YEF is working to build future leaders in our community by investing in their educational future.

If you are looking for ways to promote your company then consider sponsoring the event (various levels of opportunity are listed on page 10) or donating a silent auction item. We love all sorts of eclectic items in the silent auction and will package your item up for you!

Everyone is invited to this fun filled evening all designed to meet other members of the chamber while ben-

efitting youth programs in Santa Fe Springs. Visit [www.sfschamber.com](http://www.sfschamber.com) or call the chamber to make your reservation. Thank you to the following sponsors (as of print time):

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## Youth Enrichment Fund Awards Destiny Scholarships

### **By Whittier Union High School District**

Two Santa Fe High School graduating seniors, who have each developed a passion to change their community and inspire those around them, have collectively earned \$30,000 in scholarships from the SFS Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund to pursue their dreams as first-generation college students.

Students Sarah Garcia and Jennisa Casillas are among seven recipients of scholarships, awarded by the Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund. Casillas won \$10,000 while Garcia was named the winner of the \$20,000 Destiny Scholarship, aimed at providing students the opportunity to change their direction in life, or their “destiny.”



*SFS Chamber CEO Kathie Fink, Wendy Meador of Tangram Interiors and Joanne Klemm of Comet Employment Agency surprise Jennisa Casillas with the news.*

“I want to congratulate Sarah and Jennisa for achieving this tremendous honor and demonstrating to their peers how strength, commitment and resilience pay off,” Principal Craig Campbell said. “I have no doubt that these young ladies will continue to make relevant, impactful and meaningful change in our local and broader community.”

Garcia – who carries a 4.17 GPA and has taken 17 Advanced Placement and honors courses while at Santa Fe – will attend Whittier College and double-major in political science and history. She plans to pursue a career in Washington, D.C., as a constitutional lawyer and politician.

“I want to be the light in the midst of all that darkness,” she said. “I want to protect the natural and human rights we were given, especially given today’s political climate. I want to be an educator, mentor and protector.”

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*Destiny Scholarship recipient Sarah Garcia calls her mom with the exciting news!*

## Two Talented Students Awarded Powell Grants

This year, the Youth Enrichment Fund awarded two \$2,500 Powell Grants to local students.

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

Emily has previously won this annual award and the committee has been very impressed watching her talent develop over the years. She is majoring in art and design with an emphasis in game design, and her portfolio contained a video game she developed.

Besides studying, carrying a heavy class load and working part time at a coffee shop, Emily was selected to represent her school at the Game Developers Conference in San Francisco. After graduation Emily plans on developing video games which have a social impact.

Frank Ramirez, a senior at Santa Fe High School, is our other Powell Grant recipient. Frank will be attending California State University, Long Beach in the fall where he will be studying engineering and performing arts.

He is a talented saxophone player who has composed and performed



*Emily Rodriguez*



*Frank Ramirez*

for years. Frank plays both in the jazz band at school and a garage band with his friends. He spends his free time (besides playing the saxophone) volunteering on the SFS Youth Leadership Committee, playing in his chess club and running.

The Powell Grant is awarded annually to students pursuing a career in the arts. The grant is in honor of former city manager Don Powell and his wife, Jackie, who have a passion for the arts.



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By Sharon Wu, Roquemore, Pringle & Moore

It is with a heavy heart that I write my last “President’s Message.” It has been such a great pleasure for me to serve as president of the Santa Fe Springs Chamber this past year.

So much has happened in our city over the course of this past year. Expansion of the I-5 Freeway, ribbon cuttings (which mean new businesses entering our city), Citizen of the Year awards, Fallen Firefighter Memorial dedication, active shooter seminars,

Women in Business luncheons, Human Resource Roundtable, our Youth Enrichment Fund programs, Santa Fe Springs High School Business Academy mentor program, Choices Program, college scholarships to our high school graduates, and the list goes on. We are a VERY INVOLVED chamber and have much to be proud of.

I would like to thank our city council, city employees, and first responders for their continuing support of the chamber. Our firefighters hold a huge place in my heart. They served under the wings of Mike Crook and are now in the capable hands of Brent Hayward. A great big thank you to them. I just love you guys!

I wish to thank all of my board of directors for their kindness and support.

However, I would really like to dedicate this last article to the Santa

OUR BUSINESS IS YOU!

Fe Springs Chamber staff—Kathie Fink, Maricela Castellanos, Sue Grana, Christy Lindsay and Scott Radcliffe—for all their hard work in trying to make me look good.

I owe you all so much for giving me this opportunity of a lifetime. I have learned so much and you WOW me! Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

As usual, I leave you with a quote: “When I started counting my blessings, my whole world turned around.” —Willie Nelson.

Concerts and Movie Nights at Heritage Park with Fashion Friday

For the 2018 summer season, the City is partnering with the Abigail Barraza Foundation to join Fashion Fridays with our concert dates. In addition to our Fashion Friday and concert dates, we will also be hosting

a movie series, all taking place at our lovely Heritage Park located at 12100 Mora Drive.

For a full nine weeks this summer, families of Santa Fe Springs and the surrounding communities can spend a Friday evening under the stars enjoying music, fashion, and film.

Each concert date in 2018 will host Fashion Friday which begins at 5:00 p.m. Fashion Friday brings together a variety of clothing, beauty and jewelry vendors. All helping to raise awareness for Breast Cancer research.

The summer series begins June 8th with a movie, and will alternate between fashion/concerts and movies through August 3. Movies will begin at approximately 8:15 p.m. (or once it is dark enough) and fashion/concerts will take place from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. with music starting at 6:30 p.m.

JUNE 8  
8:15 p.m. (movie)  
*Grease* (sing-along)

JUNE 15  
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
Fashion Friday  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
*The Wise Guys* (Big Band)

JUNE 22  
8:15 p.m. (movie)  
*A League of Their Own*

JUNE 29  
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
Fashion Friday  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
*The Band Fresh* (Latin, R&B, and Top 40s)

JULY 6  
8:15 p.m. (movie)  
*Wonder*

JULY 13  
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
Fashion Friday  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
*Mariachi Divas*

JULY 20  
8:15 p.m. (movie)  
*Coco*

JULY 27  
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
Fashion Friday  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
*Nick D'Egidio* (Frank Sinatra tribute)

AUGUST 3  
8:15 p.m. (movie)  
*Cars 3*

SFS CHAMBER WEBSITE STATISTICS APRIL 2018

Hits: 9,473  
Event hits: 3,050  
Directory hits: 2,862  
Top five categories searched:  
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Airport shuttle service  
Accountants  
Banks and credit unions  
Auto repair and service  
Top five members searched:  
HealthFirst Medical Group  
Vans Inc.  
CrushCrush Promos  
Hispanic Outreach Taskforce  
Overton Moore Properties  
Member-to-member discount hits: 25  
Job hits: 69

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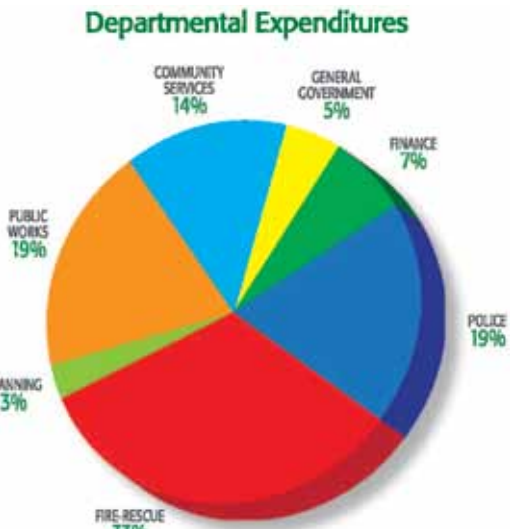
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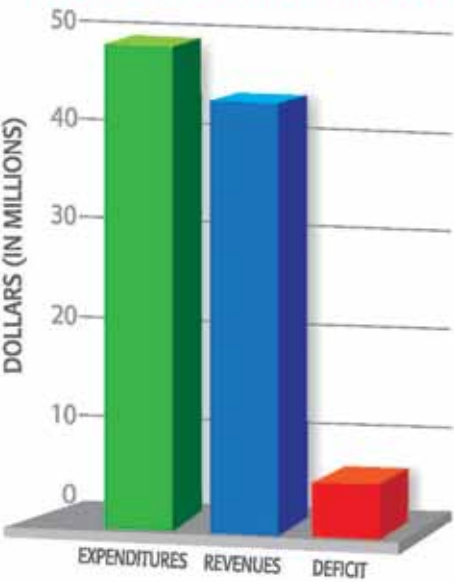
# City Budget Update

Despite increased efficiencies, the City faces serious revenue challenges. The City of Santa Fe Springs strives to provide the best city services possible to our residents. However, the City's quality services and the resident's high quality of life is becoming difficult to maintain. As City officials begin building the City's budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the City is facing a significant structural shortfall in revenue to fund current programs and services for our residents. The State's action to eliminate redevelopment agencies, a source of funding that cities used to pay for improvements and renovations such as libraries, senior centers and community centers, has created a devastating impact on cities across the state. Here in Santa Fe Springs, this impact is approximately \$13 million annually.

Though the City has taken steps to increase efficiency, significant cuts have been made to city staff, programs and services. Despite these staff and program reductions, the City is still facing a \$5 million deficit that is projected to double



## FY 2017-18 Structural Deficit



by 2025. In addition, the City has identified multiple necessary capital improvement projects needed to repair, replace and improve the City's infrastructure. This includes streets and will cost approximately \$80 million.

Given that Public Safety (Police and Fire services) and other essential city services account for a large portion of the City's general fund budget, there is little left to cut. The City simply cannot rely on the State to provide critical funding for local city services. Therefore, City officials will need to make some difficult decisions on how to balance the City's budget and will be pursuing revenue enhancing options to solve the structural deficit for the long term.

For more information please visit the city website at [www.santafesprings.org](http://www.santafesprings.org).

# Santa Fe Springs Activity Center

11155 Charlesworth Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 92670  
 Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
 Santa Fe Springs residents receive free admission! Non-residents are welcome for a \$2 fee.  
 Telephone: (562) 948-1986 / [www.santafesprings.org/sports](http://www.santafesprings.org/sports)

The Activity Center is the perfect location for you to get active! The Activity Center boasts a fitness facility including weight training and cardio equipment, two indoor racquetball courts, boxing training facility, indoor basketball courts, and locker rooms. Various sport leagues and fitness programs are held at the Activity Center, such as gymnastics and boxing for youth. View the additional pages in this quarterly guide for more information!

## Open Gym Basketball Hours

Monday and Wednesday, 11:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday and Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
 Play a game of pick-up basketball! Individuals welcome, no team necessary. Need a ball or some tips on your game? Just ask the Activity Center staff!

## Open Gym Volleyball Hours

Monday, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
 Join your friends for a game of volleyball! Balls provided upon request. Please call before 6:00 p.m. so staff can prepare the court for you!

## Racquetball Courts

Open during normal operating hours. No black-soled shoes.  
 Enjoy a round of racquetball in our indoor racquetball courts. Balls and racquets may be borrowed from the Activity Center, or you may bring your own. Courts may be reserved one day in advance by calling the Activity Center or online at [www.santafesprings.org/sports](http://www.santafesprings.org/sports). Walk-ins welcome!

## Fitness Facility

Open during normal operating hours. Membership required. Santa Fe Springs residents and business residents only.

# Community Garden Parcels Available

Join our Community Garden today! Parcels now available! Would you love to have a vegetable garden but don't have the space? The Community Garden might be right for you! Located off Pioneer Boulevard, adjacent to the Aquatic Center, the Community Garden has 10- by 20-foot parcels for each gardener, a community tool shed, restroom, picnic area, and more! Parcels are available for \$40 for the entire year, or \$20 for residents age 50-plus. For more information or to join, call Town Center Hall at (562) 863-4896.

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# May BCX – Weather Permitting

In, around and over between a couple of typically over-hyped Southern California rain storms, the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce put on a truly awesome Business Card Exchange.

May's event was hosted by The Grove at Cerritos and once again they provided an excellent breakfast menu that delighted the attendees. This was a combined effort with the Cerritos Chamber of Commerce joining in the event. With blue skies, beautiful facility grounds and plenty of food the recipe for success was all set.

Together, both chambers featured an extremely active group of attendees. In addition to a couple of targeted networking games, there were numerous conversations and exchanges taking place before the start of the event and long after the conclusion.

In the chamber world, we consider that to be a really good sign of a successful event. The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce looks forward to partnering with the Cerritos Chamber of Commerce at future events.

And of course, a networking event could not be successful without an exceptional venue; so our many thanks to Kris Schero, marketing director of The Grove at Cerritos. Her staff and chef prepared an awesome selection of breakfast entrees and fresh fruits. It was a great setting at a beautiful facility with fabulous food. What more could a member want?

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce conducts a morning networking opportunity each month called the Business Card Exchange. Typically, the meeting occurs on the first Wednesday of each month unless it is a special occasion or holiday.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to network with other members of the SFS Chamber and occasionally other chambers as well. Check the SFS Chamber calendar for the time and location of our next Business Card Exchange.

*Kris Schero, marketing director of The Grove, holds the certificate of appreciation, which was presented by Kathie Fink, CEO of the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce, and Scott Smith, CEO of the Cerritos Chamber of Commerce. Also pictured are several other staff members from The Grove.*



*Attendees from the Santa Fe Springs and Cerritos chambers of commerce at the May Business Card Exchange enjoy breakfast as they get to know each other.*

# American Eagle Escrow Rolls Out the Red Carpet at Ribbon Cutting

The Hollywood elites would have been impressed as the staff at American Eagle Escrow put together a celebrity worthy event. The attendees enjoyed numerous amenities under the bright sunshine and blue skies of a perfect Santa Fe Springs afternoon. There was great food, delicious desserts and plenty

of cool beverages to keep the attendees busy prior to the parade of presentations. After the ceremonies there was music and even a few impromptu dances.

American Eagle Escrow CEO Mayra Gonzalez thanked everyone for coming out to support their new endeavor. She was overwhelmed with praise

for her family and staff in making the dream into reality. Representatives from the city of Santa Fe Springs, California State Senator Ian Calderon, and, of course, the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce presented certificates of appreciation and recognition to Mayra.



*Mayra Gonzalez, CEO of American Eagle Escrow cuts the ceremonial ribbon.*



*SFS Chamber President Sharon Wu presents American Eagle Escrow CEO Mayra Gonzalez with a certificate of appreciation.*

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## Fallen Firefighter Memorial Dedication

On April 28, the Department of Fire-Rescue dedicated the Fallen Firefighter Memorial at Headquarters Fire Station located at 11300 Greenstone Avenue.

Father Dave Klunk and Fire Chief Brent Hayward escorted the families of the fallen to the memorial while Captain Todd Emrick from the Los Angeles County Fire Department Pipe and Drums played the bag pipes.

The Santa Fe Springs Fire Fighters Honor Guard and the Whittier Police Honor Guard posted colors, then shortly after, an LA County Fire Air operations helicopter performed an aerial fly-over salute.

After introductions of City officials, Laurie Rios, chair of the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee spoke on behalf of the committee commending all involved in bringing this long awaited project to completion.

The memorial was unveiled and former Fire Chief Norbert Schnabel,

retired Captain Tony Tobia, retired Captain Jim De Silva, and retired Division Chief Robert Mora each spoke on behalf of the four fallen firefighters whose names appear on the memorial.

Personal stories of the fallen firefighters Captain Earl Tolle, Engineer Mike Jones, Captain Dennis Stubblefield, and Firefighter Armando Mora were shared by their colleagues to celebrate their contributions to the department.

Local artist Wayne Healy was commissioned to create the memorial along with planning assistance and project management by Firefighter-Paramedic Chris Gardea. Construction began in June of 2017, but its completion brought a 15-year dream of the department to honor its own a reality.

The memorial depicts a rising Phoenix from a crown of flames poised atop a concrete and marble obelisk.

The marble is inscribed with the names of the fallen and the dates of their "last alarm."

The memorial also features depictions of the Department's 60th anniversary badge, a memorial coin, Firefighters Association logo, and the Fire Department patch.

A concrete foundation in the shape of a Maltese Cross includes four marble-clad benches. The benches are each inscribed with one of the words, *Duty*, "Honor", "Courage", and *Sacrifice*.

Funding for the memorial came from the combined efforts of the Heritage Arts in Public Places, the Firefighters Association, and generous contributions from community residents and business residents.

The Department of Fire-Rescue and City officials encourage you to stop by and view this beautiful memorial and most recent addition to the Heritage Art in Public Places collection.



## Octapharma Plasma Celebrates



The grand opening ribbon drops after Octapharma Plasma General Manager Rita Bryant ceremoniously cuts through the red tape.



Raelene Barraza representing Santa Fe Springs Councilman Bill Rounds, presents Octapharma Plasma General Manager Rita Bryant a certificate of appreciation.

It took a little longer than expected, but Octapharma Plasma has finally obtained all of their certifications and pass all of their inspections, so what better way to celebrate than with an official grand opening and ribbon cutting. That's precisely what the SFS Chamber did on Thursday, May 3, at exactly 9:38 a.m. as Octapharma Plasma General Manager Rita Bryant ceremoniously cut the big red ribbon.

Representing Councilman Bill Rounds was Raelene Barraza; joining us from California Assemblyman Ian Calderon's office was Juan Guerrero; and from the SFS Chamber office, Kathie Fink. There were several other SFS Chamber staff members present and a few of our always faithful and hardworking SFS Chamber ambassadors. The SFS Chamber Ambassadors do a fantastic job of representing the chamber and ribbon cuttings are some of their favorite events.

The staff of Octapharma Plasma provided tours to all of the visitors and explained the process for removing plasma from blood. The new Santa Fe Springs location is just one of several in the southern California area. The City of Santa Fe Springs and Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce welcome Octapharma Plasma to the city and look forward to a bright future together.



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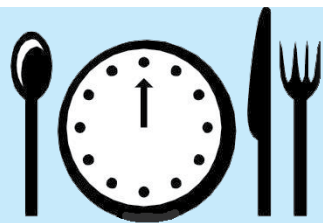
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The following companies recently renewed their memberships. We salute these businesses and thank them for their continuing support. Members listed in boldface type donated to the Youth Enrichment Fund.

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May Networking at Noon

Waba Grill was the host for May's Santa Fe Springs Chamber's Networking at Noon. Even though the event was small in numbers, we were still able to be mighty in effect as several non-member prospects participated in the event. There were multiple deep connections occurring throughout the networking and several of the members stayed well after the event exchanging details and contact information.

The SFS Chamber Ambassadors were well represented and provided their usual cordial hospitality to all of the non-member prospects. Waba Grill provided the setting and an excellent menu selection to add to the attendee's satisfaction with the event. If you would like to host a Networking at Noon event, contact the chamber office.

There was one small casualty though, as one of the chamber's event signs went missing from the corner of Slauson and Sorensen Avenues. The chamber is urging all members to be on the lookout for an SFS Chamber event sign that could very well be being misused or worse, mistreated; after all, we are the hottest chamber around and it's not even summer yet.

This On-ramp is Going to Permanently Close on the 5 Freeway in Norwalk

By Mike Sprague, Whittier Daily News  
More lane closures and opening and closure of on-ramps are scheduled for the 5 Freeway as part of the ongoing widening project near Norwalk.

All northbound lanes on the 5 freeway will be closed from 11:00 p.m. Tuesday until 5:00 a.m. Wednesday from Norwalk Boulevard to the 605 Freeway to allow for the placement of K-rail and striping.

This work will usher the opening of the Imperial Highway on-ramp to the northbound traffic on the freeway, which will open at 6:00 a.m. Wednesday. The on-ramp will only be accessible from west-bound Imperial Highway for the first few months but eventually will be accessed from both sides of the street.

Eastbound traffic on Imperial Highway in the interim will be directed by signs to use northbound Firestone Boulevard to the northbound 605 Freeway to the northbound 5 Freeway.

The Pioneer Boulevard on-ramp to the northbound 5 Freeway will close permanently at 9:00 p.m. Tuesday. Signs will be placed to direct northbound and southbound traffic on Pioneer Boulevard to Firestone to northbound 605 Freeway to northbound 5 Freeway as the alternate route.

The work is part of the overall \$1.8billion, 6.7-mile 5 Freeway widening-project between the Orange County border and the 605 Freeway. The project will add a regular lane and a carpool lane to the existing six-lane freeway.

—Whittier Daily News, published May 19, 2018 at 9:17 a.m.; updated May 21, 2018 at 1:40 p.m.

Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Board Installation 2018  
& Recognition Mixer



You are cordially invited to attend the SFS Chamber Board and Officer Installation Ceremony and Recognition Mixer.

Where: The Clarke Estate 10211 Pioneer Blvd., SFS  
When: June 13, 2018, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Patricia Kotze, Diversified Risk Management, Inc. will be formally installed as the Chamber's 60th President at the Clarke Estate in Santa Fe Springs. We are pleased to invite all members of the Santa Fe Springs Chamber to attend the installation ceremony and recognition reception.

Please join us in welcoming our incoming President Patricia Kotze and her board as well as honoring outgoing President Sharon Wu, Roquemore, Pringle & Moore. Also being recognized at this Chamber hosted event is the Volunteer of the Year, and President's Award recipients.

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Mayor Jay Sarno anticipates a good day at Hacienda.



Check-in begins.



Waiting for the shotgun start.





Mayor Jay Sarno presents the Mayor's Cup to Jones & Mayer.



First place goes to Tangram Interiors: Paul Bawol, Roy Andries, Francis Alviso, Pete Galvan.



Second place goes to Jones & Mayer: Troy Silva, Greg Nordbak and Dick Jones. (Steve Skolnik not shown.)



Third place goes to Redlands Ford: Kelsie Hungerford, Susan Nash, Steve Rojas and Robert Rojas.



Putting contest was split five ways: Chris Castillo, Greg Van, Wayne Morrell, Ron Lowry and Bob Sallee.

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Carolyn Corbin, Raymond Handling Solutions, Inc., presents a check to the men's longest drive winner, AJ Nastrodianni.



Mary Ann Railey, PIH Health, receives a check from Chamber President Sharon Wu for closest to the line.



Sharon Wu, Roquemoore Pringle & Moore, presents a check to Scharla Napier of LKQ for women's closest to the pin.



Sharon Wu presents a check to Nick Bawol of Tangram Interiors for men's closest to the pin.



Carolyn Corbin, Raymond Handling Solutions, Inc., presents a check to women's longest drive winner Roxie Johnson.



# The Mentor Program Wraps Up Another School Year

The 2017-2018 Mentor Program ended the school year with a cultural trip to The Broad and a farewell luncheon catered by Café N Stuff. The students (and mentors, too) were intrigued by The Broad, which caused a lot of discussion on the nature of art.

The luncheon is always a bittersweet event because the students move on and the mentors get a new student next year. The students played a video which had everyone reminiscing about the year and then gave their mentors thank you letters for the time they spent together.

The mentoring program will be on hiatus until September, when mentors will be assigned a new student for next year. Please contact Sue Grana, [grana@sfschamber.com](mailto:grana@sfschamber.com), at the chamber office if you are interested in being a mentor.

Special thanks to the following mentors who volunteered their time this year:

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Lyonel Alexandre, Community Bank  
Sylvia Arias, City of Santa Fe Springs  
Eric Ey, City of Santa Fe Springs  
Maria Fernandez, Beyone 21st Beauty Academy  
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Yolanda Summerhill, Jones & Mayer  
Siddharth Thakur, Shaw Diversified Services  
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Bob Tripp, Kloeckner Metals  
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Dona Warkentin, Retired Santa Fe High School  
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Mentor Fred Latham enjoys lunch with his student, Seth Cabral.



Mentor Ted Spaseff and students Eduardo Becerra and Michael Sanchez tour The Broad

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## Destiny Scholarships

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While at Santa Fe, Garcia has been a standout student-athlete as a member of the soccer, cross country and track teams. She has served as president of the Debate Club and a member of Chieftain Friends, Link Crew and Spanish Honors Society. She is also a worship leader at her local church.

"My parents were a big influence because they always saw the negative aspects of not going to school and how hard life can be without an education," she said. "I pushed myself in high school to see what I'm capable of and I'm proud of what I've been able to accomplish so far."

Casillas plans to attend UC Santa Barbara, where she will study psychology and minor in education. Her goal is to become a school counselor, a career aspiration inspired by her own counselor at Santa Fe.

"I was struggling a lot junior year because of all the classes I was taking and other commitments I had," she said. "My grades weren't reflecting the kind of student I am, but my counselor was always there."

Casillas has a 4.14 GPA and has taken 22 AP and honors courses at Santa Fe, while also being a member of the volleyball team, Principal's Honor Court, Spanish Honors Society, Chieftain Friends, Link Crew, AVID and Girl Scouts. She has completed 500 hours of community service and helped transform the computer lab at her church into a college center to inspire children to attend and finish college.

"Education is truly the best way to ensure success, and that can never be taken away from you," she said. "I've always loved helping others. I want to set the right example. That's the best way to lead."

The students will receive the scholarships during the chamber's annual Destiny Dinner on June 23.

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## Independent Contractor: Easy as ABC

Paul S. Fleck, Esq., Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo

The California Supreme Court sets forth the ABCs for independent contractors in its highly anticipated decision, *Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles*. In its 82-page opinion, the Court adopted the “ABC test” for determining if a worker is an employee or an independent contractor for wage and hour claims arising under the Industrial Welfare Commission (“IWC”) Wage Orders. The sweeping *Dynamex* decision impacts California employers at every level by adopting a test that presumes a worker is an employee unless an employer can prove otherwise.

Delivery drivers at Dynamex, a same-day courier and delivery service, filed a class action lawsuit claiming they were misclassified as independent contractors and were instead employees entitled to minimum wage, meal and rest periods, overtime, and other protections afforded by the California IWC Wage Orders. For nearly 30 years, California, has utilized the *Borello* standard to determine this issue. This included including the primary factor of who had the “right to control” the manner and means by which the worker performed the work. Secondary factors included whether the worker performing the services is engaged in a distinct occupation or business; the skill required in the occupation; who supplied the instrumentalities, tools, and place of work for the worker; and whether the work is part of the regular business of the principal. *Borello* required a balancing of these factors to make the determination.

Moving away from the *Borello* standard, the Court instead identified the ABC test as the new standard. Here, a worker is presumed to be an employee, placing the burden on employers to disprove the employer-employee relationship by affirmatively proving each of the following factors:

1. The worker is free from the control and direction of the hiring entity in the performance of the work, both under the contract for performance and in fact; **and**
2. The worker performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s business; **and**
3. The worker is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work performed for the hiring entity.

Unless an employer proves all three requirements of this test, the worker is considered an employee for claims arising under the IWC Wage Orders, such as claims for unpaid wages and meal and rest break violations.

### Impact on California Employers

The *Dynamex* decision and the ABC test will have a tremendous impact on employers by shifting the status of many workers from independent contractors to employees.

*Dynamex* does not change the definition of independent contractor under federal law. Thus, an individual may be an independent contractor under California law for wage and hour purposes but not for federal purposes such as Social Security and payroll taxes. While such distinctions are relevant in litigating independent contractor disputes, from a practical standpoint, employers cannot choose to classify a worker as an independent contractor for some purposes and an employee for other purposes.

Businesses should immediately review all independent contractors in their workforce to ensure compliance with the new ABC test.

For more information on this and other cases, please visit our website at [www.aalrr.com](http://www.aalrr.com).

## It Was a Classic Ribbon Cutting at BCC Unlimited

BCC Unlimited was the scene of another Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting. Set in and among some classic cars in the midst of being restored, the staff at BCC Unlimited invited the Santa Fe Springs Chamber members, neighbors and friends to help celebrate their most recent expansion.

Representatives from Congresswoman Linda Sanchez’s office, State Assemblyman Ian Calderon’s office and Santa Fe Springs Chamber office were all in attendance to present certificates of appreciation to Douglas Fay, owner of BCC Unlimited.

Douglas thanked everyone in attendance for coming out and supporting the event. He shared that

his entire staff was passionate about their work and the pride put into each finished product.

Ribbon cutting ceremonies are a great opportunity to promote your business. Contact the SFS Chamber office to find out how you, too, can be part of an exciting business promotional idea.



The ceremonial ribbon drops after being cut by BCC Unlimited owner Douglas Fay.

Griselda Ortiz, representing Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, presents Douglas Fay, owner of BCC Unlimited, with a certificate of appreciation.



Juan Guerrero, representing State Assemblyman Ian Calderon, presents Douglas Fay, owner of BCC Unlimited with a certificate of appreciation.



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By Captain Michael Davis, Whittier Police Department

You work hard. You run a successful operation. You put your heart and soul into your business to provide services and products to the public and to make a comfortable living for you and your employees.

Yet in a matter of minutes, years of hard work and dedication can be sabotaged by a criminal act of theft, burglary, or workplace violence. No one knows your business practices and physical settings better than you and your employees, which makes you the security expert for your company.

Part of smart policing involves an understanding of the criminal mind. From the first day of the academy through formal university criminal justice degree programs, officers are taught to examine past criminal behavior in order to better prepare for future criminal acts. Officers and detectives spend hundreds of hours throughout their career training to respond to criminal threats.

The most effective way to make officers understand criminal behavior is to place them in the position of the criminal during role playing exercises. From hiding in a building as other officer’s search, to running from a mock shooting location while other officers canvas the area, officers learn a great deal from their decision making, observations, and instinctive actions while playing the “bad guy”.

This simple technique can be used by you and your organization to better defend against and defeat criminal activity intended to target your business or its employees. How easy is it to break into your business and how long will it take a burglar to reach critical items? How easy is it to defeat your alarm system? How easy is it for an armed robber to gain free access into your business during business hours? Where are the safe hiding places in your building in case of a violent workplace event? How secure is your computer network and what information can be pried out of a stolen computer from your office? How much can a burglar or a robber planning an operation see about your day to day actions?



New SFS Chamber members pose for a photo before heading back to their respective businesses fully equipped and armed with chamber knowledge.

## Chamber 101: Welcome New Members

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce conducted another Chamber 101 New Member Welcome event on May 9. This special event is open to all New Members and any new representatives of our existing members. It is a unique opportunity to meet the entire SFS Chamber staff while gathering information on all the tools and opportunities the chamber has to offer. This is a must attend event for our new members that are looking to make sure they get the most out of their chamber membership.

Members are able to ask questions of the staff while sharing about their individual businesses and meeting the other new members. In typical SFS Chamber fashion, the event turns into another opportunity to network and meet other representatives of new chamber members. It’s also a preview to the networking techniques at some of our other events.

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Does your business present an easy target to a burglar during nighttime hours? Does your staff follow security procedures that are put in place for perimeter and internal operational security?

Answers to many of the above questions can be found through simple role playing and internal “detective work” by you and your staff. Take a few hours every month to challenge your physical and internal operation by playing the role of a criminal.

Walk around your business at night to see what a criminal would see while everyone is away. Test your alarm system from different entry points. See how long it would take you to access critical items once inside the location. Walk through your parking lot and see how many employees leave items in plain view inside their vehicles. Contact your own business and try to obtain critical, personal, or banking information over the phone or via email. The role playing “criminal” behavior possibilities are endless.

Unfortunately, real criminals have hours upon hours to devise criminal plans. A small contribution of your time to role play such acts will teach you and your organization how to better protect what you have worked so hard to build. From adding lighting, changing alarm coverage, and better securing critical assets, to re-training personnel about information release will make your operation tougher against criminals and will benefit you, your customers, shareholders, and the community.

Michael Davis is a captain with the Whittier Police Department and oversees the department’s investigations division and Santa Fe Springs Policing Team. He can be reached at (562) 567-9265 or via email at mdavis@cityofubittier.org.

Santa Fe Springs Crime Statistics Part I Crimes Monthly Comparison				
Crimes reported	April 2018	2018 totals	2017 totals	difference
Total	90	414	378	+ 10 %
Homicide	0	1	0	+ 100 %
Rape	0	2	1	+ 100 %
Robbery	2	12	13	- 8 %
Aggravated Assault	7	23	24	- 4 %
Burglary	10	66	65	+ 2 %
Commercial/Retail	8	52	47	+ 11 %
Residential	2	14	18	- 22 %
Vehicle	14	61	47	+ 30 %
All Thefts	60	250	209	+ 20 %
Vehicle	18	73	33	+ 100 %
Shoplifting	9	38	52	- 27 %
Auto Theft	10	56	61	- 8 %
Arson	1	4	5	- 20 %



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# CAPC's Kaleidoscope

CAPC hosted its annual Kaleidoscope gala six-chamber mixer on May 10. It was a grand evening had by all. The DoubleTree by Hilton Los Angeles Norwalk was the scene of the fun; with their recently-renovated ballroom being the perfect setting for all the evening's activities. There were games, raffles, food and beverages everywhere throughout the ballroom. Each chamber had its own designated color and their membership supported them by wearing shirts, dresses, costume jewelry and plenty of accessories in the respective color of the chamber. The ballroom was literally a kaleidoscope of color.

CAPC's executive director, Carolyn Reggio, was highly complimentary of her staff and several of the clients that worked so hard to make the event a success. Carolyn was the quintessential host as she always does a fabulous job of making everyone feel welcome and appreciated. Kaleidoscope is one of CAPC's premier fundraising events and of course, Carolyn was extremely grateful to all of the generous donors who filled table after table with delectable auction items.

As for your Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce, we were donning green and supporting the theme of "Grow with the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce." Members and visitors to the booth were treated to some seeds that they could take home and plant. Several of the chamber's ambassadors were in attendance and supported the booth in typical SFS Chamber charm.

If you have never been to one of CAPC's Kaleidoscope events, you truly are missing out on a fun-filled event. The food samples from many of the local restaurants are exquisite, including the award-winning chef from the host hotel DoubleTree by Hilton Los Angeles-Norwalk. There are some terrific bargains in the auction items which are all donated by CAPC's loyal and faithful supporters. Music, fun games, prizes and adult beverages also add to the fun and entertainment of the event.



Attendees mix and mingle while perusing the auction items at Kaleidoscope.



SFS Chamber Marketing and Sales Director Scott Radcliffe; SFS Chamber Ambassador Michael Aguilar; Advocate for Stroke Awareness; Larry Kunert, Tangram Interiors; Chamber Board Member and Business Intelligence Manager Wendy Meador; Tangram Interiors; and SFS Chamber Event Coordinator Christy Lindsay, all supporting green.

## Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce

*You're Invited...*



Join us in a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony as we welcome our Newest Chamber member



Date: Wednesday, June 27, 2018  
Time: 4:00—6:00 pm  
Location: 13473 Telegraph Rd., Unit C  
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**Ribbon Cutting at 5:00 p.m.**

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SFS Chamber Ambassador Michael Aguilar and Carolyn Reggio, CEO of CAPC, Inc.

## New Chamber Logo



The new Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce Member plaques contain the new SFS Chamber logo. Within the logo are the words; City, Community and Chamber.

The logo was created and selected because it represents the core values of the SFS Chamber's mission. It is our hope and desire in all that we do to be involved and engaged in the city and community.

These ideals are represented in all aspects of the SFS Chamber's activities; whether they are community or business related activities.

To find out more about the SFS Chamber's activities, visit our website at [www.sfschamber.com](http://www.sfschamber.com) or you can call the office at (562) 944-1616; even better still, stop into the office and meet the staff.

We are here to help and would love to answer your questions.

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Abbas (Abe) Kazemi, owner of S&P Restaurant & Sports Bar, prepares to cut the ceremonial ribbon as staff and SFS Chamber members pose for a photo capturing the moment.

SFS Chamber member Ross Gile of DigiCal who is also a SFS Chamber ambassador and fiancé Helen Nguyen show their approval of all that S&P has done in one year.



## S & P Restaurant & Sports Bar Celebrates First Anniversary

It's hard to believe it's already been one year, unless you consider all that S&P has done in the community. After opening their doors a year ago, they began a campaign to become involved and engaged in the local community. After doing some research, they joined the SFS Chamber of Commerce and launched a partnership that continues to grow stronger day by day. They've hosted networking events, supported fund raising and actively participated in numerous SFS Chamber activities to-date.

As any small business owner can tell you, it's critically important to brand and market yourself in the first couple of years of business in order to properly set yourself up for the future. S&P is truly putting their best effort forward as they continue to partner with community groups, businesses and social clubs. They have a whole lot going for them as their network of partners continues to grow.

General Manager Anthony Vallone has been instrumental in promoting community events, supporting the local schools, hosting SFS Chamber events and partnering with several local booster clubs.

Anthony stated "We are a family friendly sports bar, we specialize in large parties of all kinds. Everything from showers to pizza parties for Little League. We have a buffet and a full menu. Our main mission is to be heavily involved in the community." From the SFS Chamber's point of view, they're doing a fabulous job of attaining their mission.

The SFS Chamber is proud of all of their members and we're happy to recognize milestones such as anniversaries, business expansions, key position additions or promotional events. You can reach me at the chamber office at (562) 944-1616, ext. 107, or just ask for the "big guy." Let me help you brand and market your business; we'll be partners.

Being a part of the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce and interacting with its loyal members has allowed Fasone Construction more exposure. We've gained more valued relationships with other business owners. Fasone understands the importance of getting involved with the community and making Santa Fe Springs stronger by helping each other's businesses grow.

Andrea Garrido, Business Development Manager, Fasone Construction



Coralía Montalvo prepares to cut the ceremonial ribbon with support from chamber members and her staff.

Pedro Huerta, representative for Assemblyman Ian Calderon, presents Coralía Montalvo with a certificate of recognition.



## Primerica Ribbon Cutting

On May 8, the awesome folks at Primerica hosted a Santa Fe Springs Chamber ribbon cutting to showcase their recent move into The Colonnade Business Park. Chamber members and staff came out to support along with representatives from Ian Calderon's office and Janice Hahn's office.

Recently promoted Regional Vice President Coralía Montalvo was the host of the event and thanked everyone for attending. Pedro Huerta, intern field representative of Assemblymember Ian Calderon's office, presented Coralía with a certificate of recognition. Ivan Sulic, field deputy for Supervisor Janice Hahn's office, presented Coralía with a certificate of recognition. Scott Radcliffe, marketing and sales manager of the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce presented a certificate of appreciation to Coralía.

### Santa Fe Springs Chamber Non-Profit Forum

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