

RIVER ISLANDS

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Susan Dell'Ossso

OPEN LETTER FROM SUSAN DELL'OSSO

In spite of a record-breaking amount of rain during the spring months, River Islands is welcoming summer with more new neighborhoods, more things to do and more fun, right here in our community!

In the last two months, we have dedicated Fire Station #35 for the Lathrop-Manteca Fire District, hosted the first tournament at our competition-sized soccer fields and cut a giant ribbon to officially open Islanders Field, our amazing ball park facility. In addition, we have attended the Grand Opening of three new neighborhoods from builders already a part of the River Islands community: Anthem United, Richmond American Homes and Van Daele Homes.

That's what this issue of The Currents is all about: an introduction to everything new and a welcome back to programs that are perennial summer favorites, like Movie Nights in the Park and the Farmers Market. Next projects slated for completion: the newly-relocated Welcome Center, along with two more Grand Openings of lakeside neighborhoods in August.

We've captured some of the energy and color of our stories with great photography, in the belief that every picture tells its own story. If you want to share your pictures with us for our social media posts or website, send them along to: photos@riverislands.com. We'd love to see our community through your eyes!

All the best
Susan Dell'Ossso
President, River Islands Development

WELCOME CENTER MOVES TO A NEW LOCATION

With all of the openings along River Islands Parkway, it's no surprise that the Welcome Center is getting ready for its own re-opening, at the corner of River Islands Parkway and Somerston Parkway. "River Islands Parkway is truly becoming the hub of all activity in the community," said Susan Dell'Ossso, President of River Islands Development. "Moving the Welcome Center is giving new home buyers better access to all of the new neighborhoods in the community. Being next door to the fun and energy of the baseball stadium, soccer fields and Farmers Market is another plus."



Jamie Koski and Tiana Gatan of the Welcome Center.

RIVER ISLANDS TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY GETS A GREAT REPORT CARD!

Earlier this spring, the San Joaquin County Office of Education, which serves as the authorizing district for the charter River Islands Technology Academy, visited the campus for a review. In a letter recently sent from Assistant Superintendent Jane Steinkamp, our school received a great report card. In her letter, Ms. Steinkamp wrote, "River Islands Technology Academy continues to thrive as an exemplary model of public education, as well as a model within the charter school community."

"River Islands always feels like a place you can call home," she continued. "Everyone is welcome and everyone 'belongs' as soon as you step onto the campus. All schools should feel this way."

She concluded, "As we have stated before, Leadership matters. Instructional norms, educational policies and shifts in the pendulum may come and go, but strong leaders build strong cultures that can progress forward in a coordinated fashion towards achieving its goals. Such is the story of this school."

Congratulations to Principal Brenda Scholl, her outstanding administrative and educational staff, on this outstanding recognition!



Principal Brenda Scholl and staff of River Islands Technology Academy.

FARMERS MARKET RETURNS WITH A NEW LOCATION

The seasonal Farmers Market has returned to River Islands to offer fresh, farm-to-table fruits and vegetables. Its new location will be in the parking lot of the new baseball stadium, Islanders Field, located on River Islands Parkway. Farmers Market organizer Krystal Gouveia has been meeting with a number of specialty growers, with the goal of providing a variety of interesting fruits and vegetables. Open every Wednesday, starting June 5th - September 4th from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm.





CALLING ALL BOCCE PLAYERS!

The 2019 Bocce leagues began on May 16th with a pasta dinner at the Boathouse, where last year's Bocce teams joined with new players to meet, eat and play Bocce. Preliminary plans are for League Play to be held on Wednesdays and/or Thursdays and Fridays beginning at 6pm. For more information, contact Yvonne Sampson at 209-969-6048.

MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE PARK SCHEDULED FROM JUNE - SEPTEMBER

One of River Islands' favorite summer traditions is Movie Night in the Park. This free series of movies, held on the 3rd Friday of every month, June – September, is hosted by River Islands Development. Movies start at dusk, and residents are invited to start arriving at Michael Vega Park at 6:30 with their blankets, chairs and snacks.

This year's movie schedule includes: June 21st - Mary Poppins Returns, July 19th - Aquaman (PG-13), Aug 16th - Captain Marvel (PG-13) and September 20th - Wonder Park.



June 21st



July 19th



Aug 16th



Sept 20th



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT SAVE THE DATE!



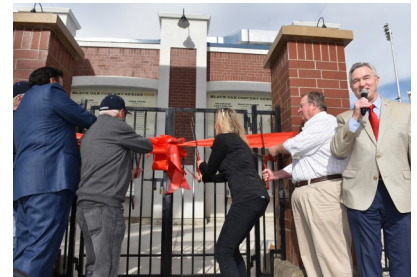
Now in its fourth year at River Islands, National Night Out will be held on the first Tuesday in August, at Michael Vega Park. All residents are invited for an evening of fun, food and an opportunity to meet neighbors and members of the Lathrop Police Department and Manteca-Lathrop Fire Protection District.

National Night Out is a national event to promote relationships among neighbors and the police and fire safety professionals who serve them. The goal of the event is to create "safer, more caring places to live."

RIBBON-CUTTING OFFICIALLY OPENS ISLANDERS FIELD FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY

City of Lathrop officials and staff, River Islands residents and members of the River Islands Development team met up on May 22 for the opening of Islanders Field, the community's landmark baseball park. Mayor Sonny Dhaliwal joined Susan Dell'Oso, president of River Islands Development, Dan Coleman, its land planner and well-known baseball coach and president of the Danville Hoots, Don Johns. A ribbon-cutting, followed by ceremonial first pitches and an exhibition game between members of the Lathrop-Manteca Fire District and the Lathrop Police Department made for a memorable evening.

Baseball games are scheduled throughout the summer months, primarily on weekends. Residents can attend games and enjoy the concession stand fare prepared by chefs from The Boathouse. A schedule of games is available at islandersfield.org



NOR CAL CUP TOURNAMENT OPENS UP SOCCER FIELDS

The six competition-sized soccer fields located in the sports complex anchored by Islanders Field are now open and have already hosted River Islands' first major tournament, the Nor Cal Cup. John Doyle, former Olympic soccer player and retired member of the San Jose Earthquakes heads up the soccer management team, and is looking forward to a busy summer season ahead!





HAVEN CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

Haven, Anthem United's newest neighborhood, celebrated its Grand Opening in mid-May with three all-new fully-decorated models. This is Anthem United's second River Islands community, and its architecture and amenities reflect the relaxed Delta lifestyle. With 2,444 – 3,250 square feet and three to six bedrooms, Haven is a jewel-box collection of home designs.



LATITUDE MOVES INTO A NEW LOCATION

Van Daele Homes' best-selling Latitude has opened a second location for its appealing new home collection, this one on larger lots than the original neighborhood. Located just off River Islands Parkway on the other side of Dell'Osso Parkway, Latitude offers the same complement of fine features as the original offering. Models for touring are located at the original Latitude location.



WATERMARK

Richmond American Homes has opened its new Seasons Collection at Watermark. The homes are designed with lots of options, to allow homeowners to make their homes more uniquely their own. Single and two story homes are available, starting from 1,710 sq. ft and offering up to 3,250 sq. ft. Models are open daily.

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