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## Chase Bank Opens in Glen Cove

[Chase Bank](#) recently celebrated the grand opening of its new branch at 102 Robles Way in the Glen Cove Center. The bank space is nearly 2,500 square feet as the building was improved to accommodate the banks needs. Chase joins Safeway, the popular Yo Sushi, Tipp Realty and other local businesses in the active southeast Vallejo shopping center.

The branch features new technology enabling fast and convenient banking. Self-serving banking kiosks include bill-pay and cash withdrawal in denominations from \$1 to \$100. With "instant-issue technology" debit cards can be created on the spot for customers opening new accounts or who lose their cards.

Chase has hired 10 new employees, including specialists such as small business bankers, mortgage loan officers, personal bankers and tellers. Bank hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



## City Park Cameras Installed

Four cameras were recently installed at City Park as the latest capital improvement project at the historic community asset. The City of Vallejo and community have invested significant volunteer hours and resources in City Park during the past several years.



The community came together with the [Greater Vallejo Recreation District](#) (GVRD) to build a play structure that has become a new central gathering spot for the neighborhood. Additional improvements have included new landscaping, sidewalk repair and adjacent street work to enhance health and safety in and around the park.

The funds for the new camera came from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The investment in cameras will be a deterrent to criminal activity and a crime fighting tool for the Vallejo Police Department. The City Park cameras are one component of a network of cameras recently installed throughout the community by the City of Vallejo.

City Park was originally built in 1868 and is located at Sacramento Street and Louisiana Street. GVRD manages the City-owned facility, which is one of the oldest urban parks on the west coast. The park is one of 38 parks currently managed by GVRD.

## Holiday Performance and Lighted Trail Walk on Mare Island

Local artist Linda Moore performed the first of two "Bells in a Bunker" bell ringing concerts last Sunday on Mare Island. The concert featured traditional Christmas carols in a former munitions storage bunker at the [Mare Island Shoreline Heritage Preserve](#). Moore, well known among local bell ringing fans, will be performing again this Sunday, December 23rd at 2:00 p.m.

Bunker A-84 is a short walk along a paved trail from the preserve's visitor center, located at 167 O'Hara Court at Railroad Avenue on Mare Island. The preserve will offer light refreshments and holiday cheer.



Another holiday event at the preserve is the Mare Island Aglow Holiday Lighted Trail Walk. Visitors are enjoying five lighted stops along the one mile paved trail on the top of Mare Island Hill. The walk features panoramic nightscape views of the Carquinez Strait and its lighted Al Zampa Memorial Bridge, the historic marquee lights of C&H Sugar Factory, the California Maritime Academy, the Sandy Beach neighborhood along with the night lights of seven Bay Area cities. The Mare Island Aglow Holiday Lighted Trail Walk is self-guided and accessible rain or shine.

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## Kaiser Vallejo Named Top Urban Hospital

Ten Kaiser Permanente Northern California hospitals have been named 2012 Leapfrog Top Hospitals, including the [Vallejo hospital](#). Being named a Leapfrog Top Hospital is an honor that rewards medical centers for outstanding successes in areas such as the use of electronic health records to reduce medication and other errors, performance on high-risk surgical procedures, low infection rates and appropriate physician and nursing staffing. Of more than 1,200 hospitals surveyed, 92 hospitals were named Leapfrog Top Hospitals.

Kaiser's medical center is Vallejo's largest private sector employer and recently upgraded or rebuilt many of its campus facilities.

"This recognition highlights the amazing work we are doing and our commitment to returning patients to health," said Steven Stricker, MD, physician-in-chief for Kaiser Permanente Napa Solano. "The dedicated physicians, nurses and staff at our Vacaville and Vallejo hospitals set the bar in providing expert care. With our Level III trauma center in Vacaville, our advanced information technology, and as the largest health care provider in Solano County, we are committed to providing the community with high-quality care."

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