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Senior Center Reopens After Remodeling

The Florence Douglas Senior Center has reopened its doors after a two-week renovation of the building's interior. Flooring and stalls were replaced in the restrooms and the multi-purpose rooms and kitchen were repainted.



The Center's remodeling was funded by federal Community Development Block Grant, bingo income, donations and volunteer labor, totaling about \$40,000 in renovations. Paint was donated from Kelly Moore and Sherwin Williams, adding a fresh look to the 35-year-old center. The Senior Center will

see additional improvements in the coming months as Measure B funds will be used to replace the air conditioning units to provide more reliable and efficient cooling.

The reopening of the Florence Douglas Senior Center is just in time for the 2nd Annual Oktoberfest Dinner and Auction. Authentic German cuisine, live music, silent and live auctions will take place on Friday, September 28, 2012 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. This event helps fund programs and services offered by FDSC to serve the charitable, educational, social and recreational needs of persons 50 years of age and older. The Florence Douglas Senior Center is located at 333 Amador Street, 707 643 1044.

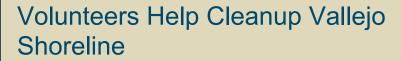
Empress Presents Wednesday Night Ramble and Comedy

The Wednesday Night Ramble returns to the historic **Empress** Theatre tonight as the North Bay All Stars host a number of special guests at this gathering of musical friends. Featured guests for this month's Ramble will include singer Zoe Ellis, keyboard player and vocalist Simon Russell and bands, The Wasted Rangers and The Sargent Tucker Band.

The Ramble will highlight the soulfully smooth style of traditional R&B soul singers - this time with a little bit of twang. The September 19 Wednesday Night Ramble will run from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. The cost is \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door.

Coming up the Empress Theatre will debut comedian Don Friesen on Sunday, September 23. A fun, clean clever show, Friesen's act is a

satire of his life as a husband and a father trying to get through the day. Major themes are technology problems, marriage and parenting with a fun mix of eclectic impressions. Stand up comedian Jason Love will open for Don Friesen on Sunday night. The show will start at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets



Vallejo volunteers demonstrated their pride in Vallejo's long shorelines picking up litter as part of the California Coastal Commission's 28th Annual Coastal Cleanup. Almost a thousand



volunteers worked at 18 separate sites in Vallejo, more than ever before, increasing the success of the Vallejo program. The Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control District worked with the Solano Resource Conservation District on the day's activities.

Along with picking up trash, volunteers were educated about what actually happens to the litter found in the creeks and waterways. Through environmental education programs, the Solano Resource Conservation District educates thousands of students in school programs.

CORRECTION to Issue 43: Touro University's partnership in Vacaville will include Touro faculty and staff. Touro University's Student Run Free Clinic wil not be at the Vacaville County Clinic. The SRFC services will remain in Vallejo.

Touro University California's partnership with Solano County Public Health will be expanding to Vacaville. The Collaborative effort between public and private entities has already increased patient care at various County clinics in Solano County.

The William J. Carroll Government Center in Vacaville will be the host location for the expansion of the partnership, located at Monte Vista Avenue and Brown Street. Construction of the building has been ongoing since August 2011 and is in the final stages of construction. The integration of Touro Providers will transpire over the next year.

Touro University's partnership with Solano County is one of many examples of the Mare Island based University's contribution to the region. Clinic services will include screening

physical exams, osteopathic manipulative medicine, health education, medicine review, blood pressure checks and

immunizations.

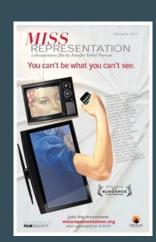
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Cal Maritime Hosts "Miss Representation" and Panel Discussion

The California Maritime Academy has partnered with a coalition of Solano County education and service community organizations to host a free viewing of the documentary "Miss Representation." The screening will be held on Thursday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Cal Maritime's Rizza Auditorium.

In a society where media a persuasive force shaping cultural norms, the documentary examines the ways mainstream media portrays women and how it contributes to the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence. Written and directed by Jennifer Siebel Newsom, the film challenges the media's portrayals of women and girls.

A panel discussion featuring successful women leaders will follow the screening to explore the ways women can overcome genderbiased societal and institutional barriers. Cal Maritime's coalition partners include Vallejo City Unified School District, Benicia-Vallejo AAUW, Benicia Unified School District, Benicia League of Women Voters, Solano Community College and Soroptimist International of Benicia.

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