



THE CAPITOL MORNING REPORT

Tuesday, July 12, 2005

NEWS CONFERENCES, BRIEFINGS, AVAILABILITIES, ETC.

Asm. Jerome Horton and Filipino American World War II veterans urge Governor to sign Horton's AB 15, would encourage school districts to include instruction on the role of Filipinos in WW II. **11:45 a.m., CA Veterans' Monument, 14th and N Sts.** Contact: Alma Hernandez 916 319 2051.

Veterans listed include: Eric Lachica, American Coalition for Filipino Veterans; Jose Nuega, Assn. of Filipino American Veterans; Dr. Fred Aquino, Filipino Community of Sacramento.

WEST SACRAMENTO – Asm. Roger Niello, West Sacramento Mayor Chris Cabaldon and others, noting Governor's call "to solve housing affordability crisis," kick-off "Campaign for California Homeownership," gather signatures urging Governor and Legislature to ensure adequate supply of land, eliminate regulatory and legal hurdles, etc. **10 a.m., Watercolors at The Rivers, 886 Lighthouse Dr.** Contact: Tiffany Moffatt 916 448 5802.

Others listed: Al Esquivel, Grupe Company; Dave Butler, Sacramento Metro Chamber; Jim Bayless, Building Industry Assn. of Superior CA.

Asm. Budget Chair John Laird discusses Governor's line-item vetoes in 2005-06 budget. **11:15 a.m., Rm. 317.** Contact: Vince Duffy 916 319 2408.

Sen. Dean Florez, in response to a lawsuit filed against California's participation in Mega Millions game, unveils his SB 1011, would reform CA Lottery Act by "making it legal for CA to participate in a multi-state lottery while increasing revenues for education." **10 a.m., Rm. 3191.** Contact: Jennifer Hanson 916 445 4641.

Governor's Press Secretary Margita Thompson, weekly media briefing. **11 a.m., Rm. 1190.** Contact: Thompson 916 445 4571.

Randy Thomasson of Campaign for Children and Families, discusses his opposition to AB 849 (Leno), says "Democrat politicians want to impose homosexual marriage licenses" on state. **Following his testimony against the bill during 1:30 p.m. Senate Judiciary Committee hearing, South Steps.** Contact: Thomasson 916 265 5650.

THE LEGISLATURE

Senate – Check in

Public Safety, 9:30 a.m., Rm. 4203.

Human Services, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 3191.

Judiciary, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 112.

Transportation and Housing, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 4203.

Assembly –Check in

Transportation, 4 p.m., Rm. 4202.

California Channel Tentative Programming (Ch. 2, Sacramento Comcast Cable)

9:30 a.m., Senate Public Safety Committee (Live)

1:30 p.m. Senate Committee on Human Services (Live)

2:30 Senate Housing & Transportation Committee (Live)

THE GOVERNOR

Contact: Margita Thompson 916 445 4571.
No planned public events. Holds private meetings in Sacramento.

THE DAILY BREAD

July 12, Political Future PAC, Celebrate the Birthday of Senator Edward Vincent, \$1500, 6 p.m., The Firehouse Restaurant, 1112 Second St. Contact: 916 658 1684.

July 13, Roy Ashburn for Senate 2006 (18th SD), Summer Breakfast, Sponsor \$3300, Ticket \$1250, 7:30 a.m., Vallejo's, 1100 O St. Contact: 916 441 6776.

SPEECHES AND TALKS

Alan Bersin, Gov. Schwarzenegger's new Secretary of Education, addresses Sacramento Press Club luncheon, discusses his program, dealings with CA Teachers Assn., etc. \$30. **Noon, Clarion Hotel.** Contact: 916 482 7737.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, ETC.

QUINCY – Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, first of three days, field trip to Collins Almanor Forest to view forest management, fuel hazard reduction and restoration activities, other business. **7:30 a.m., leave from Gold Pan Motel, 200 Crescent St.** Contact: 916 653 8007.
Second day meeting begins 4 p.m., Feather River College, 570 Golden Eagle Ave., Quincy; Third day meeting begins 8 a.m., same location.

IRVINE – Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, CIRM, hears "spotlight presentation" on spinal cord injury, other business. **8 a.m., UC Irvine, University Club, 801 East Peltason Dr.** Contact: Nicole Pagano 510 450 2418.

MISCELLANEOUS

Placer County Supervisor Ted Gaines, as chair of Sacramento County Council of Governments, presents plaque to Caltrans Dir. Will Kempton honoring 113 Caltrans employees who helped log a half million miles of bike trips last month to promote bicycles as alternative transportation. **10 a.m., West Steps.** Contact: Rebecca Thornton Sloan 916 340 6224.

Asms. Mark Ridley-Thomas, Mervyn Dymally and Karen Bass host "Welcome to Sacramento" reception for 51st AD candidate the Rev. Norman Johnson, executive director of Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Free. **5:30 p.m., Frank Fats.** Contact: 213 605 5282.

MODESTO – Mobile District Office, staff members for Sens. Jeff Denham and Charles Poochigian, Asms. Greg Aghazarian and Dave Cogdill help seniors, disabled and retired constituents with household incomes under \$39,699 apply for homeowner and renter assistance. **4 p.m., Stanislaus County Library, 1500 I St.** Contact: Nick Rappley 209 726 5495.

KEEPING UP

Stephan Brophy, assistant information officer for the Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing, died Monday of injuries suffered as she tried to stop a man from stealing her son's car. The incident occurred Sunday morning when neighbors on Casa Alegria Way in Carmichael said they heard screeching tires and a woman's scream. **Brophy** was found "with tire tracks across her upper body," the Sacramento Bee reported. The son's Toyota Tercel was found less than an hour later abandoned in an North Highlands apartment complex. **Brophy**, 57, was a chatty and cheerful presence at the Dept. of Fair Employment where she had worked since December of 2000. Her death left colleagues so upset that several had to leave work for the day, said co-worker **Regina Brown**. "We're all just devastated." **Brophy** was secretary for the State Information Officers Council, a volunteer position she used to make new members feel welcomed. SIOC Pres. **Sheryl Tankersley** said **Brophy** "just gushed over new members." **Tankersley** added that the violence of **Brophy's** death was particularly shocking. "I can't believe it happened to someone so sweet and with such a big heart." **Brophy**, who was the daughter of former UC Regent **Roy Brophy**, was also a hard worker said **Stephen Green**, spokesman for Lt. Gov. **Cruz Bustamante** and a fellow SIOC board member. "If you want something done you go to Stephan and it will get done right," **Green** said. SIOC is dedicating this year's annual scholarship to **Brophy** by calling it the Stephan Brophy Memorial Scholarship of 2005. **Brophy** leaves twin children, son **Kendrick Donovan Brophy-Holliday** and daughter **Tristan Loraine Brophy-Holliday**, both 22. Arrangements are still pending though condolences can be sent to the Family of Stephan Brophy through SIOC at State Information Officers Council, PO Box 188372, Sacramento, CA 95818-8372; or through the Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing, 2218 Kausen Dr., Suite 100, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Contact: Regina Brown 916 478 7251.

Sen. **Dennis Hollingsworth's** office reports his third child was born last week and has already joined brothers Kenneth, 4, and Nathan, 2, at home. **Hollingsworth's** wife, **Natalie**, gave birth July 7 to **Rachel McCallum Hollingsworth** who weighed six pounds, 12 ounces and measured 18.5 inches long. Mother and baby are fine, the proud father reports. "We have been richly, richly blessed by God," **Hollingsworth** said. Contact: Dan Brennan 916 445 9781.

Joe Wierzbicki with Russo Marsh + Rogers reports that former Asm. **Howard Kaloogian**, now co-chair of Move America Forward, and a group of radio talk show hosts from around the nation reached Camp Victory in Baghdad yesterday to begin their "Voices of Soldiers" Truth Tour in Iraq. Their goal is to give Marines, soldiers and airmen serving there an opportunity to report on accomplishments "that may not be receiving adequate attention from various media outlets." "We want to get a firsthand account of the situation," says **Kaloogian**. "You never hear about the good news. Is there none?" The talk show hosts include **Melanie Morgan** of KSFO in San Francisco and **Mark Williams** of KFBK in Sacramento, whose stations will broadcast their reports. Travel accounts can also be found at MoveAmericaForward.com. Also with the group, which is scheduled to return Sunday, is legislative staffer **Siobhan Guiney**, who served as executive director of the Move America organization for the past year. Contact: Wierzbicki 916 441 3734.

The CA Nations Indian Gaming Assn. reports hiring **Ralph Simon, Jr.**, as its executive director. **Simon**, who started July 1, is a member of the Kickapoo Tribe of Kansas and has practiced law in the corporate, private and tribal government fields for 25 years. Most recently he was Tribal Judge for the Taos Pueblo. **Simon** replaces **Jacob Coyne** who left in September 2004 to become director of tribal communications for the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. Contact: Susan Jensen 916 448 8706.

In our item yesterday about Capitol reporter **Dion Nissenbaum** departing this week for a three-year assignment in Jerusalem, we mentioned one of his recent stories about the resignation of a National Guard general. As **Nissenbaum** quickly informed us, the general is **Thomas Eres**, not Richard as we said. Our apologies to the general and thanks to **Nissenbaum** for our new understanding of why sloppiness may surge a bit now that he's gone.

Sam Rodriguez, former political director for the CA Democratic Party, has been named senior director of government and community relations for San Francisco State University. Prior to his work for the state party, he served as Washington state director for **John Kerry's** presidential campaign. **Rodriguez** also has worked for the CA Dept. of Industrial Relations, for the CA Labor and Workforce Development Agency and as chief deputy director of the CA Employment Development Department. Contact: Rodriguez 916 849 4300.

STILL KICKING

By **Bob Schmidt**, a retired Capitol reporter.

David Roberti has invested 27 years of his life in the California Legislature, so he views the current operations of the Senate and Assembly with experienced eyes. He doesn't like what he sees.

"I don't fault the present members," he says. "You just can't have an efficient Legislature if its members keep coming and going, and that's what you have, because of term limits."

It is not surprising that **Roberti** is not a fan of term limits. Eager to serve, he'd come to the Assembly from an LA district in 1967, moved to the Senate in 1972 and had been serving as Senate pro tem for 11 years in 1994 when the law forced him out. Familiar with the Capitol and good at his job, he'd had no wish to leave.

Now 66 and a partner in the Wilshire Boulevard law firm of Roberti Jensen in Los Angeles, **Roberti** speaks of his current activities and former legislative career in cool, matter-of-fact tones. However, when the subject moves to term limits, his voice rises and the resentment appears. "It's just wrong," he vehemently declares.

Although he left the Legislature in 1994, **Roberti** has kept a role in state government. In 1995, the Senate Rules Committee, under his successor, then Senator and now Attorney General **Bill Lockyer**, appointed him to the state Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board, where he served until 1998. In that same year the Rules Committee, this time under pro tem **John Burton**, gave him another job, this time an appointment to the Integrated Waste Management Board.

Roberti left the board in 2002 but not without a vehicle to remain active with the state. As a board member, he'd come to appreciate the need to recycle waste products into useful forms such as energy. The result was his current role as president of the BioEnergy Producers Assn., a 10-member group of firms that he formed to educate the public and lobby the Legislature on the advantages of converting agricultural and other bio wastes into such products as ethanol.

Roberti's law firm represents the association and he himself has become its registered lobbyist, an activity that brings him to the Capitol once or twice a month. But his firm has other clients as well. The firm, he said, has no speciality. Except for criminal and family law cases, "We take whatever comes our way."

Roberti knew, of course, that term limits was coming. Prop 140, which limits members to three two-year terms in the Assembly and two four-year terms in the Senate, had passed in 1990 with 52 percent of the vote. But **Roberti** figured he had a good chance to remain in elective office by running for Treasurer in 1994.

However, in 1989 he'd successfully authored SB 292, a bill that banned the sale of military-style assault rifles and drew the bitter enmity of gun owners' organizations. Then in 1992 he ran and won in the reapportioned Senate district formerly represented by Democrat **Alan Robbins**, but his victory was by a slimmer margin than expected. As a result, the National Rifle Association and other gun owner organizations were encouraged to mount a recall campaign and succeeded in forcing a recall election in April 1994.

Roberti won, "but I had to raise and spend more than a million dollars to do it, and when I ran in the Democratic primary for state treasurer just a few weeks later, I didn't have enough money to put on a good enough campaign and I lost to **Phil Angelides**."

Roberti and his wife, June, used to be frequent travelers but have done little over the past three years. Their beloved dog, which died three weeks ago at age 15, was ill and the childless couple did not wish to leave him.

Some might recall that in 1983 **Roberti** muscled a bill through the Legislature to keep pound animals out of the hands of medical laboratories and in 1984 formed a Political Action Committee called ROAR, for Respect Our Animals' Rights. Long since moribund, it was to have been a popularly supported interest group not only to protect animals but to endorse many forms of humanitarian legislation.

Roberti says he has no interest in running for office again, but retains his interest in politics. He's been teaching a weekly class in political science at Loyola Marymount University for 11 years, and stays in touch with many former colleagues. "[Former Sen.] **Quentin Kopp** comes down to Los Angeles from time to time and gets a group together for dinner," Additionally, **Roberti** and his wife have dinner every month with former Sen. **Herschel Rosenthal** and his wife.

"The Senate was a major part of my life for a long time, and you can't just say 'out of sight, out of mind,'" he says. Contact: Roberti 213 383 4380

POLITICAL NOTES

Excerpts from the faxes, e-mails and press releases sent by office holders and others to political reporters.

The **Ted Gaines** for AD 4 campaign reports an endorsement from the Sacramento Metro Chamber of Commerce. Republican **Gaines** seeks to replace termed out Asm. **Tim Leslie**. Contact: Dave Gilliard 916 444 1502.

Anthony Portantino, running in the 44th AD, reports "topping the \$300,000 mark in total raised to date as of the June 30th reporting period cutoff." Democrat **Portantino** seeks to replace termed out Asm. **Carol Liu**. Contact: Connie Sanders Emerson 916 456 4098.

The **Steve Poizner** campaign for Insurance Commissioner reports endorsements from Sens. **Jim Battin**, **Jeff Denham** and **Dave Cox**. **Poizner**, a Republican inventor and entrepreneur from Los Gatos, seeks to succeed **John Garamendi** who is running for Lt. Governor. Contact: Tim Clark 916 473 8866 X5.

From **Bob Mulholland**, campaign advisor for the CA Democratic Party, under the headline "Arnold's Broken Promise of the Day" – Promise Made: **Schwarzenegger launched his campaign drive by saying he would not take campaign donations and would rid Sacramento of "special interests."** (SF Chronicle, 12/11/03) Promise Broken: Veteran political columnist **George Skelton** today writes one of the Governor's most damaging self-inflicted wounds is his broken promise on fundraising: Implying to voters he wouldn't accept political money from special interests, then raking in more than [former Gov. Gray] Davis – the so-called "pay to play" Governor – could have ever dreamed about ... (**George Skelton**, LA Times, 7/11/05) Contact: Mulholland 916 442 5707.

From **Bill Mundell**, chairman, Californians for Fair Redistricting, regarding the lawsuit filed by AG **Bill Lockyer** seeking to remove Prop. 77 (redistricting) from the Nov. 8 ballot because of language discrepancies between the filed and circulated versions of the measure – The [AG's] lawsuit ... assumes the stylistic differences between the versions of the initiative were intentional. This is simply not the case. There is absolutely nothing in the two versions ... which substantially change the ballot initiative supported by nearly a million voters... It is very sad to see the [AG's] office used to try and stop the will of the voters of this state. This lawsuit is obviously motivated by incumbent lawmakers fearful of a full debate on the most important reform initiative in the state ... Further, we would be happy to debate the issue in a public forum with the AG and discuss the number of legal precedents which support the dropping of this frivolous lawsuit. Contact: Sharon Jimenez 310 409 3306.

From Asm. **Mervyn Dymally's** office – Secretary of State **Bruce McPerphson** commented in The Capitol Morning Report that he has a "constitutional duty to present to the voters the initiatives that have qualified by the signatures of the people." In response ... **Dymally**, chair of the Legislative Black Caucus, said : "The Secretary of State has a legal responsibility to disqualify initiatives that are deceptive and don't meet the requirements set forth by law." Contact: Christina Orr 916 319 3279.

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Jobs

The CA Teachers Association seeks a Legislative Representative. We offer competitive salaries and excellent benefits. Visit: www.cta.org for position description and application for Position Ref #P-451-CMR. (8/10)

KQED Public Broadcasting seeks Manager, External Affairs, in San Francisco. Responsibilities: assure productive relationships with elected officials, government agencies and organizations; lead liaison on directed promotion/communications activity. Salary commensurate with experience. More info/to apply: www.kqed.org/about/internships. (7/29)

APCO Worldwide seeks public affairs practitioner with 4-6 years experience for strategy, writing, media relations, project management. Solid analytical, writing, entrepreneurial, leadership skills a must. BA/BS required. Competitive compensation/benefits. Apply at www.apcoworldwide.com. (7/21)

Olson, Hagel & Fishburn seeks two campaign reporting assistants. College degree, excellent communication skills required. Related bookkeeping/banking or work experience preferred. Must be detail oriented. Salary: High \$30's/excellent benefits. Resumes: diane@olsonhagel.com or fax 916 442 1280. (7/27)

Jobs (Cont.)

California Association of REALTORS® seeks an Administrative Assistant for our Legislative office. Job duties are associated with candidate fundraising for the Association's federal and state political action committees. Competitive salary. Reply to resumes@car.org. (7/21)

Senate Office of Research seeks full-time editor/director of communications. Salary commensurate with experience. Full job description at www.sen.ca.gov/sor. Cover letter, resume and writing sample to mary.burbidge@sen.ca.gov or fax to 916 324 3944. (7/21)

Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California seeks Campaign Assistant through November 8th Special Election. Great organizing, communication, detail-oriented skills required. Previous campaign experience a plus. Competitive salary. Fax cover letter/resume to Vice President: 916 441 0632. (8/5)

Sacramento State's Center for CA Studies seeks Senate Fellows Program Director. Legislative experience; interest in experiential learning and public service; excellent organizational, communication, leadership skills. Screening begins 7/15/05; commensurate salary. Details: www.csus.edu/fas/vacancies/admvac.htm. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity. (7/18)

Jobs (Cont.)

California Restaurant Association seeks entry-level communications manager. Manage news clips, internal/external communications, coordinate government newsletter. Required: excellent proofreading/writing skills. BA in English or Journalism preferred. Salary: \$32K-\$50K. Email resume: employment@calrest.org. (7/25)

California Restaurant Association seeks director of local government affairs for greater Sacramento region to monitor all local government and regional regulatory activity. Salary: \$40K-\$60K, based on experience. Email resume: employment@calrest.org. (8/11)

CA State University, Advocacy and Institutional Relations, seeks Program Analyst. Work with alumni/Board of Directors; conduct community advocacy; plan conferences; write/produce legislative newsletter/eAdvocacy program. Salary commensurate with experience. Information/apply: www.calstate.edu/HRS/jobs/000225.shtml. (7/18)

CA State University, Advocacy and Institutional Relations, seeks Legislative Analyst/Coordinator. Manage legislative processes, identify bills, prepare internal analyses/reports, handle constituent inquiries, conduct research projects. Salary commensurate with experience. Information/apply: www.calstate.edu/HRS/jobs/000226.shtml (7/18)

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California Trucking Assn. seeks grassroots coordinator to grow transportation-oriented legislative program. Exceptional writer – test given. Knowledge of governmental process, excellent communication, organizational and management skills and grassroots experience required. \$40-\$45K, great benefits. Email resume: esauer@caltrux.org (7/18)

Auto for Sale

BMW 2003 Z4 2.5i convertible. 14,000 miles. Sterling with black leather interior. Premium and sport packages. Asking \$31,000. Beautiful – Must See. Contact: DeAnn at 916 803 4753 or dbaker@counties.org. (7/15)

Office/Residential

Prestigious and convenient. Classic apartment suites and professional office space. Secured building. \$875 moves you in. Zero deposit. Across from Capitol Park. Thayer Building. Contact: 916 443 8544. (7/29)

CA State Assn. of Counties has an office suite available at 1029 K St. One block from Capitol. 580 square feet, includes three offices and restroom. \$1015/month. Ready to move in. Contact: 916 719 9100. (7/15)

Notices

Are you a good leader? Explore your political potential at the Campaign School, sponsored by the CA Credit Union League. July 19, Vacaville; July 21, Rancho Cucamonga. \$45. Contact: 916 325 1371 or ashleyt@coul.org. (7/15)

2005 Capitol Network Charitable Golf Tournament, October 3, Turkey Creek Golf Club, Lincoln. Enjoy picturesque course while supporting four children's charities: Interval House, OneChild, WONDER, Families First.

Contact: Cathy Senderling at csend@cwda.org for player/sponsorship information.

CMTA Energy Conference, July 27 to 29 – South Lake Tahoe. "Energy Markets: Are Manufacturers Making Progress or Losing Ground?" Keynote speaker Yakout Mansour, Cal ISO. Join leaders from industry and the Legislature. Register at www.cmta.net. (7/22)

Meeting Space

CA State Assn. of Counties has 2700 square feet at 11th & K for receptions/parties/seminars/conferences/banquets. One block from Capitol. Adjacent to Pyramid Alehouse. \$600/full day. \$300/half-day. Contact: 916 498 1237 (7/15)

Homes for Rent

New Land Park Home. Five minutes to Capitol. 6 Parkbrook Circle. Courtyard entry, three bedrooms, two baths, great room, 2000 square feet, garage, luxurious master. \$1700/month. Contact: Kim Pacini 916 484 5449. (8/11)

Prestigious rentals in Riverlake & Pocket Area, seven miles from downtown. Three & four-bedroom residential halfplex homes, most with lake access. Numerous floorplans 1450-2300 square feet. \$1300 to \$1865 per month. Contact: Parker Development Company 916 939 4060. (8/31)

Charming two-bedroom, one bath, Land Park home on gorgeous tree lined street. Spacious living room, hardwood floors, fireplace, sliding door to large covered porch. Peaceful retreat just seven minutes from Capitol. 2780 13th Street. \$1400. Call Mark 916 448 1445. (7/18)

Homes for Sale.

Swallows Nest Country Club off Garden Highway. Golf/Tennis/ Pools/ 24-7 Security. Two bedrooms and bathrooms; dining room; remodeled kitchen; marbled master bath w/built in vanity. Must see. \$335,000. Contact: Billy 916 806 4326. (7/15)

PREVIEW – Wednesday, July 13, 2005

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Pat Minyard, CA Dept. of Food and Agriculture; Matt Mathes, US Forest Service discuss program using "smokejumpers" to search trees for Asian longhorned beetles, "a serious pest." **11 a.m., Raley 80 Business Park, 1855 Diesel Dr.** Contact: Steve Lyle 916 654 0462.

Includes demonstration of smokejumpers climbing 30-40 foot trees searching for beetles.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Senate – Check in

Education, 9:30 a.m., Rm. 4203.
Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments, 9:30 a.m., Rm. 3191.
Local Government, 9:30 a.m., Rm. 112.
Banking, Finance and Insurance, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 112.
Rules, 1:30 p.m., Rm. 113. Governor's appointees required to appear – As Deputy. Director, Office of Administrative Law, **Linda C. Brown**; As Chief, Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, **Barbara A. Ward**; To CA State Lottery Commission, **Loretta Doon** and **John M. Mass**.
Health, 2:30 p.m., Rm. 4203.
Government Modernization, Efficiency and Accountability, 4 p.m., Rm. 3191.

Assembly – Check in

Appropriations, 9 a.m., Rm. 4202.
Joint hearing, Assembly Health and Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 1 – Senate Health and Senate Budget Subcommittee No. 3, 10 a.m., Rm. 126. Subject: Medi-Cal: hospital financing waiver.

California Channel Tentative Programming (Ch. 2, Sacramento Comcast Cable)

9 a.m., Assembly Appropriations Committee (Live)

1:30 p.m., Assembly Transportation Committee AB 144: Bay Bridge Financing. (Taped 7/12)

THE GOVERNOR

Nothing public announced.

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Energy Commission, considers approving an \$82,486 loan to the City of Reedley to replace incandescent traffic lights and pedestrian signals with energy efficient light emitting diodes and to install battery backups for total estimated savings of about \$19,590 per year, other business. **10 a.m., 1516 Ninth Street**. Contact: Claudia Chandler 916 654-4989.

SAN DIEGO – Coastal Commission, first of three days, considers application by City of Coronado to replace 30 ft. lifeguard tower overseeing Central and North Beaches with 35 ft. tower and to construct 790 sq. ft. restroom, other business. **9 a.m. Catamaran Resort Hotel, 3999 Mission Blvd.** Contact: 415 904-5200.

SAN DIEGO - Transportation Commission, first of two days, considers approving \$16 million for adding one lane in each direction on five-lane Highway 99 between Kingsburg and Selma in Fresno County, other business. **3 p.m., San Diego Association of Governments, Board Rm. 7th Floor, 401 B St.** Contact: 916 654-4245.

MISCELLANEOUS

CA Catholic Conference hosts Catholic Prayer and Reflection, sponsored by Asms. Gene Mullin, Juan Vargas and Sen. Bob Margett. **8 a.m., Rm. 127**. Contact: Linda Wanner 916 443 4851.

Salsa lessons sponsored by the Salsa Caucus, a very informal group from the Capitol community, \$3, otherwise "filing requirements get pretty hairy." **7:30 p.m., Sky Bar, 908 15th St.** Contact: Isaac Kos-Read 510 292 5715.

Caucus members include: Sens. Alquist, Cedillo, Soto and Torlakson.

Reception, hosted by Anaheim Mayor and former Assembly Speaker Curt Pringle, benefits Boys & Girls Club of America, features D.J. Smith's inaugural release of 2002 Hagen Heights Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, donations accepted at the door. **5:30 p.m., 1530 J St., Suite 350**. Contact: Bryan Tellalian 916 440 0860.

"Introducing Kevin McCartney, senior director of governmental relations, Boys and Girls Clubs."

Golden 1 Credit Union and country radio station KNCI again offer free cups of Crystal Ice Cream to state employees. **Noon, Outside 744 P St.** Contact: John Dedo 916 338 9268.