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Met Roseville Police Department's 14th Police Chief — Troy Bergstrom

BY BRIAN PARRY
PHOTO BY BRIAN PARRY

Roseville residents hit the jackpot. After a nationwide search, city leaders decided to hire one of our own. Continuity of leadership. Nothing wrong with that. Troy Bergstrom, a 26-year police veteran was recently appointed Roseville Police Department's 14th Police Chief. Bergstrom, his wife and two college age sons are residents of West Roseville. He has been described by some as being friendly, approachable and having a great sense of humor. The type of person you want as your neighbor, no less your police chief.

I found him to be every bit of that and more when I sat down with him in his office for this interview. Bergstrom grew up in the San Jose. He started considering police work after his father tragically died during a backpacking trip to Yosemite National Park. He was moved by how compassionate the responding Park Rangers handled the entire incident. Later while a student at Humboldt State University in Arcadia, California he watched while



responding police officers handled another student who was in the midst of a mental health crisis. According to Bergstrom, "They completely calmed him down and took him into custody without incident."

Bergstrom transferred to Sacramento State University and enrolled in the criminal justice program. After several police ride-

longs and careful consideration of other public service careers, he settled on police work and started his career in San Mateo at the age of 22. After several years with San Mateo, he took a lateral transfer to the Roseville Police Department. His wife had family in the area.

Bergstrom is well liked and respected
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From City of Roseville Roseville City Council Approves Land Sale for Future Jobs Site

BY HELEN DYDA, *Roseville Economic Development*

A large regional jobs center is one step closer to reality following Roseville City Council approval for the sale of 6382 Phillip Road to Panattoni Development Company (PDC Sacramento). The future Roseville Industrial Park would allow the city to compete nationally in attracting employers to the area.

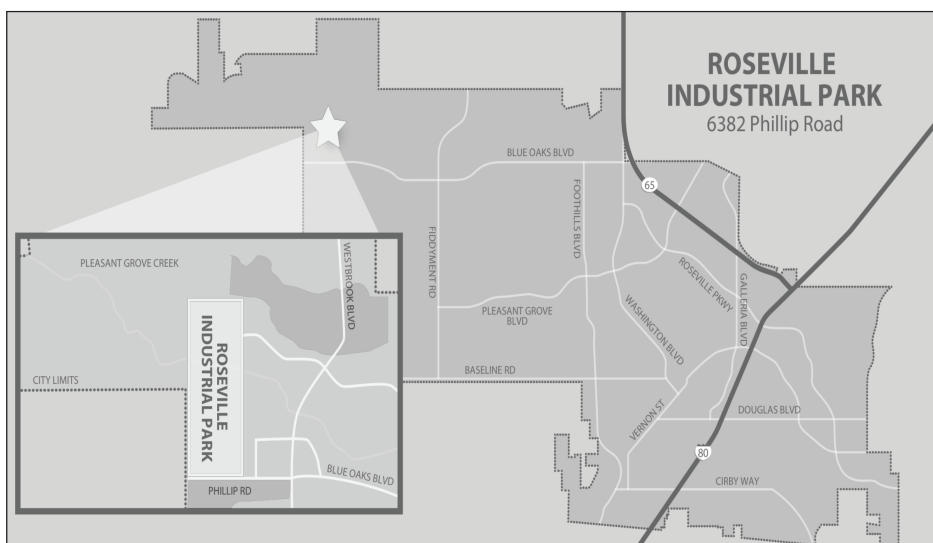
A recent study estimates the potential for \$950 million in annual economic impact and 6,700 jobs when complete.

"This site provides an ideal opportunity to drive significant job growth and economic activity," said City of Roseville Economic Development Director Laura Matteoli. "Roseville has a reputation for offering a combination of lifestyle, educated talent pool and business value, which is attractive for prospective companies."

The approximately 236-acre greenfield parcel, with 191 developable acres, is located

north of a planned six-lane western extension of Blue Oaks Boulevard. The planned six-lane regional Placer Parkway, connecting Highway 65 and 99, bisects the northern part of the property.

As early as 2006, the site was identified for a future industrial park and jobs center.



At that time, city analysis showed potential for a minimum of 18 buildings and 1,080,000 square feet.

"Panattoni has been a long-standing

partner in the City of Roseville. It's vital for our region to continue building industrial manufacturing facilities to create tradable sector jobs. Projects such as this one will be the key to Roseville's economic recovery efforts," Greater Sacramento Economic Council President & CEO Barry Broome said.

The vacant property was declared surplus by City Council on November 20, 2019 and an Exclusive Right to Negotiate with PDC Sacramento was approved on November 18, 2020. In Roseville, the developer has also completed the McKesson and Amazon

properties on Foothills Boulevard.

Future development of the Phillip Road site will require rezoning from public/quasi-public to industrial, a General Plan amendment for industrial use, a major project permit, and environmental review. These entitlements will require consideration by the Planning Commission and City Council.

Industrial trends

A 2020 study by the Greater Sacramento Economic Council showed Roseville's industrial labor market growing faster than the California average since

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St. Vincent de Paul & Our Community Combatting Hunger in the COVID Era

BY SEAMUS FLANAGAN

Almost nothing is the same as it was pre-2020, but one thing that remains constant is the need to help those facing financial instability and food insecurity in the community around us. The mission of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP), Roseville is to provide basic human services and programs to prevent hunger and homelessness. We've had to adapt to the challenges and increase in demand that the pandemic has caused, but have managed to continue providing our services thanks to the numerous volunteers (including many from this community) giving their time and talent.

In 2020, SVDP Roseville provided the following:

- An average of 774 households were served each month from our Food Locker, with an estimated total of 218,000 meals worth of food provided last year.
- An average of 85 households had groceries delivered each month via our Bags program for seniors and disabled persons, with an estimated total of 9,180 meals provided.
- An average of 60 guests were served takeout meals daily from our Dining Room, with an estimated total of 12,200 meals served for the year.

Altogether in 2020, with a budget of \$434,000, SVDP Roseville provided goods and services worth \$1,686,000 thanks to our volunteers and community partners.

Current Major Programs and Services:
 Food Locker: Open on Mon., Wed., and Fri. from 9 am until 11 am.

Bags Program: Home delivery of groceries to homebound seniors and disabled persons in Roseville.

Dining Room: Open for takeout 5 days each week for a midday meal.

Homeless Prevention: Assist qualified households with one-time rental and/or utility assistance. Clients receive case management and service collaboration with community partners.

SVDP's ongoing challenge is to fund these programs, which we project will cost 10% more in 2021.

The Big Day of Giving (BDOG)

The BDOG is an annual fund-raising event coordinated by the Sacramento Region Community Foundation for non-profits in the greater Sacramento area. SVDP Roseville's BDOG campaign will run from April 5th through Thursday, May 6th – peaking with a final 24-hour drive of giving!!

SVDP Roseville needs a more-reliable vehicle, and the primary goal of our BDOG campaign is to fund a truck that will pick up donations from local grocery stores and deliver food to the Food Locker, Dining Room, and Bags program. See the insert in your newspaper.

Please help us reach our goal by visiting placersvdp.com to see how or mail a donation to:

St. Vincent de Paul Society
 503 Giuseppe Ct. Suite 8
 Roseville, CA. 95678

Dr. Tom Stanko, M.D. (retired),
 President. Seamus Flanagan, Board Member,
 BDOG Team Captain.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international, non-profit Catholic lay organization that provides social services to people in need. The Society derives its inspiration from the philosophy and works of its patron, St. Vincent de Paul. Locally, the Roseville Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was formed in 1983 and serves the cities of Roseville, Rocklin and Granite Bay.



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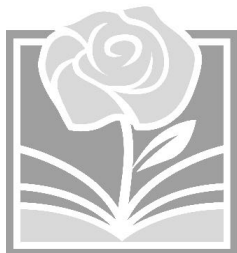
Roseville Joint Union High School District Update *Progress Isn't Always a Straight Line*

BY JESS BORJON DISTRICT, *Interim Superintendent*

These last few weeks have felt encouraging on Roseville Joint Union High School District campuses as we near the part of the pandemic we've all been waiting for: The beginning of the end. While all of our schools will remain in their current operational schedule unless otherwise notified, we are planning for a return to somewhat normal next school year beginning August 11, 2021.

To get us through the end of the school year as seamlessly as possible, we are offering free, voluntary COVID-19 testing at Granite Bay, Roseville and Woodcreek high schools, which are the campuses unable to maintain the four feet distancing guidelines. This means we are able to remain in compliance while monitoring our dwindling case rates and keep schools open and students on campus. Consent forms are available through school sites prior to students receiving COVID-19 testing.

The return of sports to RJUHSD has been an uplifting and necessary activity for the social and emotional health of our athletes and all of the students, coaches and families who support our teams. We now have the ability to play if



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we adhere to the appropriate testing guidelines, which means we must test students who reside in a county where the case rate is above 7 per 100,000, students must test more frequently.

We know there are families who will choose to continue virtual learning in the 2021-22 school year, so we will continue to offer a fully-online option through Independence High School (IHS). While RSVL Academy will no longer be in operation, IHS will be able to provide a home school and campus identity along with a robust curriculum pathway for students who choose this option.

RJUHS is grateful to our community for their part in decreasing case rates and increasing vaccinations that are now allowing us to look towards

a brighter future for our students. Thank you to each staff member, educator, family and student that have helped us to get through this challenging chapter of life together.

Roseville City School District Update *The Year We'll Always Remember*

BY DERK GARCIA, *Superintendent*

As I write this article, it is one year to the day that the world as we once knew it changed. What was originally meant to be a two-week break to "flatten the curve," changed our reality in ways we never expected. One year later, the clouds are starting to part and the future is looking brighter each day.

Thanks to a partnership with Placer County Public Health, our educators and staff now have the option to be vaccinated. Pairing this with optional surveillance testing and declining case rates, we are forecasting a 2021-22 school year that may usher in a return to "normal."

But what is "normal," anyway? While the Roseville City School District has implemented a modified traditional schedule of five day a week instruction, we do have plans to offer a full-time, virtual learning school for families next year, pending Board action on April 8. For those families ready to take on a more traditional path next year, we plan to open the school year with full-time, in-person learning August 5, 2021.



Middle school cross country, band classes and choir classes have received the green light to resume activities and we're hopeful that more routine activities will continue to be experienced as our county begins to relax restrictions. So while some of these things aren't business as usual, we're getting closer to a more traditional experience for our students.

We also recognize that the transition back to "normal" may not be so simple for all families, which is why we are here to support you. If you have any questions regarding registration, social-emotional support for students and families, and options for increased childcare needs, visit our district website at rcsdk8.org or reach out to your school site for more information.

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Dry Creek School District Update

BY BRAD TOOKER, *Superintendent*

It's hard to believe just over one year ago, schools closed to help slow the spread of COVID-19, and all Dry Creek students immediately transitioned to distance learning. What was thought to only be a 14-day school closure rapidly evolved and continued through the start of the 2020-21 school year via State Executive Orders and ever-changing health guidelines. Since March, Dry Creek immediately began developing a comprehensive plan to reopen schools safely. We methodically moved through Distance Learning, Hybrid, and Modified Day schedules. We opened Connections Academy, allowing families who wished to remain learning in a virtual environment the ability to do so. Dry Creek firmly believes it is in students' best interest socially, emotionally, and academically to be in school. This belief has been a guiding principle in our focus to reopen schools. On March 10, I was pleased to announce that all Dry Creek schools will be transitioning to a full-day, five-day-a-week schedule on Monday, April 12, 2021. I am proud and grateful to be in partnership with individuals that truly have the best interest of our community of learners at heart. Thank you to all who have helped Dry Creek shine



Mr. Tooker

during these turbulent times and our families, who bestowed upon us great amounts of support and patience as we worked to reopen our schools. We are so excited to be able to provide this big step toward normalcy.

Dry Creek has continually stepped forward during this past year to provide a world-class education to our students. The ability to do so is because of the excellent, dedicated staff who inspire and care for students daily. One of my favorite things to do each spring is to visit schools and co-announce staff recognition awards alongside site principals, recognizing employees' outstanding efforts. Recently, Dry Creek honored the following staff members for their exceptional contributions to students, schools, and our District over the course of the past year.

- Steffen Wagman, Antelope Crossing Middle School, Dry Creek Middle School Teacher of the Year
- Fran Diaz, Barrett Ranch Elementary School, Dry Creek Elementary Teacher of the Year
- Lisa Owens, District Education Center, Educational Services, Classified Office and Technical Employee of the Year
- Shannon Ingram, Barrett Ranch

Elementary School, Classified Para-Educator and Instructional Assistance of the Year

- Annette Boardingham, Olive Grove Elementary School, Classified Support Services and Security Employee of the Year
- Redziba Kikanovic, Antelope Crossing Middle School, Classified Maintenance,

Operations, and Facilities Employee of the Year

Please join me in congratulating this year's Employee of the Year recipients. It is an honor to serve the Roseville, Dry Creek, and Antelope Communities every day alongside each of them.

In closing, I wanted to take a moment and invite you to learn more about Dry Creek's award-winning programs and campuses. Registration for the 2020-21 school year is currently open for all ten of our schools, including Connections Academy, our completely virtual program. Dry Creek also has a phenomenal Transitional Kindergarten program at seven school sites across Roseville and Antelope. This free kindergarten jump start program providing children the opportunity to learn vital social, emotional, and hands-on academic skills that lead to success in kindergarten and beyond. We are currently accepting transfer student applications for all grade levels (TK-8) as space permits. I personally invite you to come learn with us.

Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District has been providing academic excellence since 1876. DCJESD currently operates ten award-winning schools and serves over 6,400 students in the Dry Creek communities of Dry Creek, West Roseville, and East Antelope. For questions or to enroll in one of our schools, please visit www.drycreekschools.us or call 916-770-8800. Online registration for the 2021-2022 school year is officially open for new and transfer students.



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Whether you're downsizing, upsizing or relocating, it is expected that we will see new listings grow in March and April as they usually do as we head into the spring season. Specifically, for new home buyers, new construction, which has risen at a year over year pace of 20% or more for the past few months, will provide additional inventory relief. Although, interest rates has increased slightly they are still historically low.

According to the National Association of Realtors this spring brings a great deal of optimism, so if you pressed the pause button on your real estate plans over the winter, lets connect to determine how you can re-engage in the homebuying and or selling process.



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High School Sports are Back!



2021 Woodcreek High School Varsity Football — Scrimmage game Maroon vs. White.



Captian - Tyler Roberts (Maroon Team)

Captian - Cooper Young (White Team)



Lexi Schroeder WHS Tennis match against RHS.



West Park High School Head Coach Tenner at practice.



Woodcreek High School alumnus Tyrell Roberts is transferring to Washington State after spending the past four years at UC San Diego. Roberts redshirted as a true freshman and the following as a redshirt freshman earned CCAA Newcomer of the Year. Last season, Roberts earned various honors including being named Division II Conference Commissioners Association (D2CCA) West Region Player of the Year. Roberts opted-out of the season due to COVID-19 concerns and worked on improving his skill set before transferring.

By Cameron Salerno
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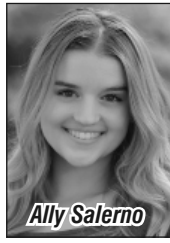
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Woodcreek High School Senior, Ally Salerno asked a few local teachers and students... "With sports returning, so far what has been the highlight and what did you miss the most?"



“Although I’m not an athlete, as sports return, I’m most excited to be able to capture photos of these talented and hard working players. Being apart of the family business, Lenie’s Pictures, I’ve missed being on the field while meeting new faces and watching memories be created.” — *Ally Salerno*

Bradley Hunkins
Woodcreek High School
Teaching 9 years (6 at Woodcreek)
Head Football Coach



“Highlight was the announcement of sports returning, our kids across all sports and levels have been working hard. Personally, I missed having the whole team together working on the field.”

Photo by Lenie’s Pictures

Rachel Stewart
Woodcreek High School
20 years teaching
Unified Sports, Wolf Pack Industry, Cool Kids Coffee and Assistant AD



“The highlight is seeing our student-athletes carrying their practice and game gear around and it has been a joy seeing them out on the practice fields. When I walk out of my classroom I can look around and see boys basketball conditioning on the blacktop, the crack of a solid hit coming from the baseball field, the sound of a whistle coming from the stadium at football practices. As I walk around the sports facilities I see dance, cheer, baseball, tennis, cross country, football, lacrosse, basketball, swimming, wrestling all working out. There are times when we have all of our facilities in use at one time. I have had the opportunity to watch a tennis match, swim meet, cross country meet, and football game. I have truly missed the competition and student-athletes working hard and sacrificing for their team and teammates.”

Photo provided by Lenie’s Pictures of Rachel Stewart and student Andrew .

Kaitlyn Beck
Woodcreek High School
Class of 2022
Volleyball & Beach Volleyball



“The highlight has been grinding for the season and I miss playing and practicing with the team.”

Photo provided by Lenie’s Pictures

Lily Stevens
West Park High School
Class of 2023
Golf



“The highlight of sports returning is being able to enjoy the thing that you’re passionate about

and having that outlet for stress or anything else people are going through. What I miss the most is having to be distanced and not getting the same opportunities that we would have with a regular-season like tournaments or even team bonding as I feel it is really important”.

Photo provided by Kimberly Stevens

Riley Dubay
West Park High School
Class of 2024
Cheerleading



“Being able to make new friends and new memories is a highlight I miss being able to do more hands-on things”

Photo provided by Riley Dubay

Cooper Young
Woodcreek High School
Class of 2022
Football



“The highlight for me has been the ability to see how far my team has come in these past 14 months, and how excited everyone is to finally be able to play a season. The thing I have missed most is the competition and we got a loaded roster that is going to do some special things when we start competing against other teams.”

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**Safety First —
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BY ROB BAQUERA — *Public Information Officer, Roseville Police Department*



Rob Baquera

A ringing cell phone, fighting kids, or a spilling coffee cup--no one is immune from distractions. When you mix distractions and a vehicle traveling down the road, you get distracted driving. Distracted driving can occur when something diverts your attention from the task of safe and attentive driving. A study by the U.S. Department of Transportation estimates between 3,000 to 4,000 people are killed annually by distracted driving.

According to the Center for Disease Control – Injury Center, there are three primary types of distractions:

Mental or cognitive – when a driver’s mind is focused on something besides driving. These can include talking to another passenger, thinking about something that is upsetting, road rage, daydreaming, or being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.

Visual – when a driver looks at something other than what is ahead on the road. These can include looking at your phone, checking and adjusting your GPS, changing the radio station, adjusting your temperature controls, taking in the view, or doing your makeup.


Manual – when one or both hands

are taken off the wheel. These can include eating and drinking, adjusting your child’s seatbelt, smoking, searching through your purse or wallet, or turning knobs in your car.

There are things you can do to ensure you are driving as safely as possible. Here are some simple ways to minimize driving distractions:

- Keep your eyes on the road.
- Pull over to read directions.
- Put your phone in “Do Not Disturb” mode.
- Keep your phone out of reach.
- Make all car adjustments before driving.
- Don’t reach for items while driving.
- Avoid phone calls, even hands-free.
- Stay focused on the road.
- Keep your emotions in check.

Distracted driving is a major cause of car-related injuries. Do your best to stay focused on the task of driving safely and you will be able to respond more quickly, be better positioned to think clearly when needing to respond, and likely spot a distraction before it becomes a problem.





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Evangelho Family

BY DIANNE CARLISLE

Baseball is something of an obsession for the Evangelho family, which isn't too surprising when you consider that Ryan Evangelho is the current co-head coach for Sierra College's baseball team.

"Everything in our family is about sports, especially baseball," said Jaclyn Evangelho.

The love of baseball started early for Ryan. He grew up playing the game in Belmont, California. After attending junior college in San Mateo, he earned a baseball scholarship to the University of San Francisco, where he got his Bachelor's in Communications. Ryan played as a catcher and had a great season during his junior year—with 30 wins that year—but he experienced a lot of injuries as a senior.

"It was always a dream in the back of my head to go as far as I could in baseball," Ryan said. "The idea of going pro was there, but honestly, professional ballplayers are at an entirely different level of play."

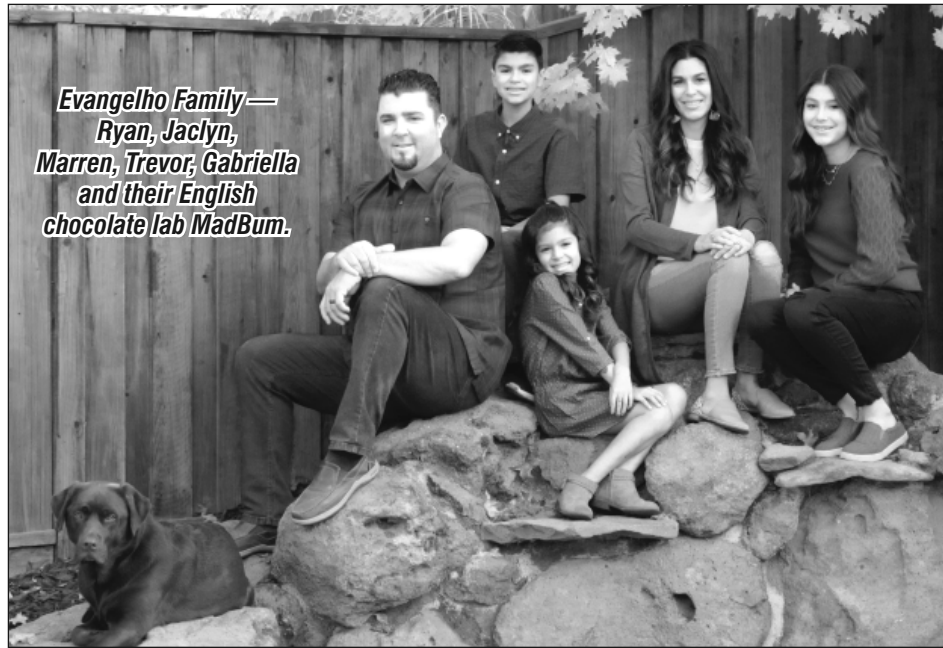
About 20 years ago, a friend of Ryan's convinced him that they should move inland to the Sacramento area, and he has never looked back. Initially, he coached at River City High School in West Sacramento, but then took it to the next level when he began coaching at Sierra College.

Jaclyn grew up in Fremont, California. She attended De Anza College and California State University, Hayward, before transferring to Sacramento State, where she earned a degree in Kinesiology.

"I thought I wanted to be a personal trainer," said Jaclyn. "I worked at a small family gym—which is where I met Ryan—but after a while, I decided it really wasn't my passion."

Jaclyn says that she and Ryan "had a lot in common and were great friends—and he was a joker." Their conversations started over the fact that they had the same birthday, even the same year. After being friends for a while, they began dating and then got married in 2004.

"It was the year the Red Sox won the World Series, so we'll never forget," she said



with a laugh.

After changing her career goals, Jaclyn began working in the healthcare industry. She helped develop the Lactation Department at Sutter Health as the department secretary and was there for seven years. She went back to school, and just before she gave birth to the first of their three children, she earned her Master's in Business from the University of Phoenix. Jaclyn now works part-time at Kaiser Permanente as a unit assistant, which allows her to be home with the kids and help them with school and navigate to and from their sports activities.

Ryan also went back to school to get an advanced degree in order to be able to teach at the junior college level. He earned his Master's in Sports Coaching and Management from the United States Sports Academy.

In 2012, he left Sierra College and began coaching at Yuba College. His second year there, they made the playoffs after a 49-year drought. While winning is always fun, for Ryan, helping his players continue their education and learn the necessary skills to play at the next

level are the most important parts of coaching.

"His passion is definitely baseball, and he's great with the players," Jaclyn said. "He has really helped them navigate through some of life's lessons."

In 2020, Ryan returned to coaching at Sierra College. In addition to coaching, Ryan teaches P.E., Health, and Kinesiology

of basketball at Hot Shots where she made the all-star team in her league. In addition, she plays soccer and currently loves skateboarding.

"The kids love playing sports with their friends, and we hope they continue to love it," Jaclyn said.

"All the kids are doing very well in school, as well as in their sports activities, and that's important to me," said Ryan.

Rounding out the family is their English chocolate lab MadBum. He is named after Madison Bumgarner, the former pitcher for the San Francisco Giants.

"I had chocolate labs growing up," said Ryan. "We got MadBum four years ago on Christmas morning. Coming up with a name for him was easy since we love the San Francisco Giants."

The Evangelhos love to be outdoors, and they enjoy a lot of different activities. They travel to the Tahoe area as often as they can throughout the year for boating, ziplining, biking, fishing, and skiing.

Ryan and Jaclyn have lived in West Roseville for almost 12 years and believe it has been a great place to live and raise their kids.

"Our community is extremely family-oriented, and we all have made some great friends," said Jaclyn. "This is exactly where we are supposed to be."

at both Sierra College and Yuba College. He continues to train the Fire Academy cadets at Yuba College, something he did for two years at Sierra College as well. Several months ago, Ryan also began training to be a home inspector with Finley Home Inspections.

"The trickle down of the pandemic has been that I am only a part-time instructor now," said Ryan. "There are just some things that you can't teach in an on-line class."

The Evangelho kids, Marren, Trevor, and Gabriella, are all just as passionate about sports as their parents.

Marren, age 14, plays competitive soccer for Roseville Premier, a year-round soccer program in Placer County. She also loves volleyball and hopes to play both while attending West Park High School.

Trevor, age 12, plays basketball, flag football, baseball, and soccer. His passion right now is basketball, and he is on an AAU basketball team, as well as a Hot Shots recreational team. He also plays Roseville Pony Select baseball.

Gabriella, age 7, is in her second season

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While the number of homes coming onto the market is increasing on a day to day basis and will continue that trend over the next few months, the number of buyers waiting for them has remained unabated. If anything I am seeing more offers, not less. I listed a house in West Roseville 95747 in the Dry Creek elementary/Woodcreek High boundaries at \$725,000, roughly 35% of the buyers were from out of the region. San Jose, Concord, Pleasant Hill, San Francisco. For quite some time I've wondered what would be the catalyst for the eventual shift that draws a large number of people from the more expensive regions of the state to our region. Never once did I consider a pandemic as that source...

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Police Chief — Troy Bergstrom
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by his officers and many Roseville residents. While a candidate for the chief's job and prior to his appointment, a Roseville officer paid Bergstrom the ultimate compliment a police officer can get from another officer. He was described as a "cop's cop." In police jargon that refers to an officer who is highly respected and regarded by his peers as an officer to emulate. Regarding the community, Mia Winters, a Roseville Westpark area resident and Neighborhood Watch director said, "Chief Bergstrom is responsive, approachable, down-to-earth and a strong community advocate who supports programs like ours."

During his career Bergstrom worked in almost every departmental division and specialized unit, and according to the officer, Bergstrom was not just checking off the boxes on his way to the next promotion but actually immersed himself into every assignment as if it were his last.

Bergstrom told me his two favorite assignments were working in the Crime Suppression Unit and as a patrol sergeant. Bergstrom actually brought the concept of the Crime Suppression Unit to Roseville from his days in San Mateo. The unit is comprised of hard charging detectives, working undercover, pursuing career criminals who commit crimes in Roseville. As a patrol sergeant, he loved working with his team on the graveyard shift.

In 2013, Bergstrom attended the FBI's National Academy, one of the most prestigious

law enforcement executive training programs in the world. While there he exchanged ideas and networked with police executives from all over the country and the world.

Bergstrom explained he started thinking about the chief job as he promoted through the ranks to lieutenant and captain.

As the new Chief, Bergstrom draws from his experience working for 5 different chiefs who set the foundation for the department. He considers every decision he makes from the perspective of how it will affect the community, his officers and the professional support staff. "After all," he said, "my decisions affect the community where my family lives."

Bergstrom believes he inherited a well-functioning police department and plans to improve the department by making incremental positive changes to move the department forward and elevate the good programs to the next level. Another goal is to develop his staff and mentor new leadership.

We talked about several of the innovative programs implemented by the Roseville Police Department. Bergstrom is very proud of the Social Service Unit, the Family Mobile Team and the Mobile Crises Team which deal regularly with the homeless and those people experiencing mental health issues. Roseville was forward thinking and ahead of many other police departments when they formed these teams. The teams have trained social workers and crisis counselors responding to assist officers with a myriad of mental health and social problems.

Roseville also has a number of Placer

County Probation Officers assigned to the work out of the police department. Probation officers and police officers working together is a force multiplier and enhances the exchange of information and intelligence. This partnership is a win for both departments and the community.

Another program totally unique to Roseville is the Interfaith Task Force which is run by volunteer Al Moody. The program brings together security personnel from 25 to 30 different churches in south Placer County to exchange information about problems facing their respective places of worship. Those problems range from graffiti and thefts to mentally ill persons disrupting services. The task force gives security personnel the opportunity to exchange information, network and discuss best practices.

Bergstrom is especially proud of the community Neighborhood Watch Programs which meet regularly at the police department to exchange information. The neighborhood watch programs act as the eyes and ears of the police department. As Bergstrom says, "It is simply neighbors looking out for each other and calling the police when something looks suspicious."

Community relations are important to Bergstrom and the Roseville Police Department. He and his officers regularly attend neighborhood and community meetings. In fact, almost two thirds of the officers actually live in Roseville. They are our neighbors and, therefore, are personally invested in keeping our communities safe.

When asked about motivating his officers in a time when recent laws were passed in California weakening the criminal justice system, Bergstrom reminds his officers not to stress over something they have no control over and to continue doing good solid police work. Even in light of the anti-police sentiment in some areas of the country, Bergstrom said he would not discourage any young person from going into police work especially in Roseville which has an unusually high degree of community support. In fact, one of his sons is considering police work. Bergstrom sums up police work as driving into neighborhoods, talking to people and keeping people safe. That aspect of police work will never change.

Bergstrom has submitted a budget proposal to purchase body worn cameras for his officers. Bergstrom believes the cameras will provide an extra level of safety for his officers, enhance evidence collection and improve transparency with the community.

In his leisure time, Bergstrom likes to travel with his family. They enjoy visiting national parks, hiking and are sports fans. Bergstrom likes to ski and is a voracious reader. He has read all of the Tom Clancy books and enjoys political memoirs.

I sense Troy Bergstrom is the same guy whether he is at home or at work. He is a man of character, an experienced lawman and cares deeply about the community he lives and works in. We are fortunate to have Troy Bergstrom as our police chief and as our neighbor.

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Astronomical Events for April

BY BILL WEAVER

April 8/9/15/16: Earthshine Nights: The Waxing and Waning Crescent Moon phases in April and May are the best time to see earthshine, where the unlit part of the Moon becomes visible. It is also known as Da Vinci glow.

Little-known to most, one of Leonardo's finest works is not a painting or an invention, but rather something from astronomy: He

solved the ancient riddle of Earthshine. You can see Earthshine whenever there is a crescent Moon on the horizon at sunset. Look between the horns of the crescent for a ghostly image of the full Moon. That's Earthshine.

April 12: New Moon: Take advantage of a dark night sky to see the planets. The three morning planets are Jupiter, Saturn, and Mars. The latter two worlds are snuggled close together as April begins, then as the month progresses, they all will gradually stretch out, becoming equally spaced apart on April 9.

April 22/23: Lyrid Meteor Shower: The Lyrid meteor shower is expected to peak around April 22 and 23, in the Southwestern area of the sky. Named after constellation Lyra, the Lyrids are one of the oldest recorded meteor showers—according to some historical Chinese texts, the shower was seen over 2,500 years ago. The fireballs in the meteor shower are created by debris from comet Thatcher, which takes about 415 years to orbit around the Sun. The comet is expected to be visible from Earth again in 2276.

April 27: Super Moon/Pink Moon: April's Full Moon is traditionally known as the Pink Full Moon. This year, it's also a Super Moon, so it will look a little larger than a usual Full Moon. The name Pink Moon comes from one of the first spring flowers, Wild Ground Phlox, also known as Moss Phlox, as they cover the ground like a pink blanket. These brightly colored flowers are native to North America, and they often bloom around the time of April's Full Moon.

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