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The 18th Annual Capitol Concours d'Elegance

The Concours held on June 10th in Sacramento offered spectators and participants a formal yet relaxed setting in which to admire and appreciate over 100 of the finest collectible automobiles ever produced. "Cars of Hollywood," "Cars of 1962" and "Streamliners (1931-1942 Pre-war cars which were ahead of their time in aerodynamic styling were highlighted. Participants also watched as artists used their brushes and easels to capture the metal beauties on canvas. The Sacramento Youth Symphony provide music while 10 food trucks offered a tasty array of quick meals and snacks. Even the award ceremony was a staged thing of beauty as the cars were driven up to the Winner's stand to receive their award, one at a time, in a long line of classic beauty.

The vehicles displayed on the Capitol Mall green for three blocks were awesome: a variety of sedans, convertibles, jeeps, motorcycles, and unique cars spanning four decades. The colors and chrome shone in the hot afternoon sun while hundreds milled about enjoying the workmanship and sharing the memories. Pride was evident as the owners shared stories of how they came to have these cars, the time and money invested and their rotating calendars to show these beauties at venues throughout California.

Hundreds turned out for this prestigious affair on a hot Sunday afternoon. It was an amazing event; no matter what the automobile industry creates in the future, these elegant and exciting cars from yesteryear will always have loyal followers and collectors. They are part of the automobile history, as romantic, exciting and amazing as their creators. www.capitolconcour.org (916) 933-4056



Get out on the wild, magnificent Rogue River by signing up with Hellgate Jetboat Excursions, a guaranteed thrill of a lifetime. Raft trip down the Rogue River in Oregon. *Photo credit: Grants Pass Tourism* Read the full adventure story by reporter Suzy McMinn on page 7.



Ann Taylor – A Stylish Concept

By Victoria Beninga
Staff Writer

If you are seeking a fresh look, come to the new Ann Taylor Concept Store at Arden Fair Mall in Sacramento. In case you aren't sure what a concept store is, it's a store where all of their products cater to a certain lifestyle. In this case, the lifestyle is that of the modern career woman. I attended the exciting grand opening of the Arden Fair Ann Taylor store on June 16, 2012. The grand opening was in partnership with the Junior League of Sacramento, Inc., an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The grand opening included refreshments, sweet treats, and even champagne, all served to us on trays by elegantly-attired handsome young gentlemen. There were also gifts with any purchase over \$100. Five percent of sales from the event were donated

to the Junior League of Sacramento, Inc. When I walked into the store, I immediately felt pampered; there was beautiful clothing and accessories in a chic boutique atmosphere.

Lisa Exalson, Head Designer and a member of the Council of Fashion Designers of America (CFDA), said, "The new Ann Taylor is chic and stylish with a more fashion-forward direction to address the needs of today's modern working women across every generation."

"Our new concept stores are a reflection of our new fashion direction. They are light, modern, feminine, and designed to showcase the full Ann Taylor collection while making our client feel comfortable and ...

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Operation Care

announced the opening of a new "upcountry" location in Pine Grove to serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Located at 13828 Hwy 88, in the Gold Mine Plaza in Pine Grove, this location is open Mon through Fri, 10am to 4pm.

Services include help in obtaining emergency food, clothing, and shelter; one-on-one peer and group counseling; advocacy; information and referrals; assistance in completing paper work for temporary restraining orders; and accompaniment to court for domestic violence/sexual assault related cases. 296-1900. Call the 24-hour line 209.223.2600 or online at www.operationcare.org

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