

M o v i e s, B o o k s, S h o w s

Panera Bread Training Program

Looking for a fun and enriching experience for your children's group? Panera Bread® Bakers in Training program takes groups of 10-15 kids, ages 5-12, behind the scenes in a bakery-cafe* while teaching them kitchen essentials and the fundamentals of baking.

For just \$20 per child, which includes \$5 donation to a school or church group of your choice, they'll get their own hat and apron, stretch and score their own French Baguette, decorate a cookie and more. It's the perfect activity for your class, scout group, kids club or child's birthday party.

*Classes available at participating bakery-cafes only. Child must be accompanied by adult who is 18yrs or older. Signed release on behalf of child required. <http://PaneraBread.com>

The Friends of the Tuolumne County Library is sponsoring a "Local Authors Fair" at the library in Sonora on Friday, April 25, 10am - 2pm. The purpose is to showcase local authors and give the public a chance to meet them and possibly purchase books. The event will be an "open house" format so the attendees can browse from table to table meeting our local authors. The Fair will be free of charge to both authors and the public.

A Whale Tale

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...which by the way fly's free compared to luggage. All in all, Maui is not the cheapest place to visit, but it is one of the most comfortable, enjoyable, picturesque, and memorable of vacation destinations.

Hawaiian flights, condo, car rental, and excursions – a tad expensive; 32-gigs of photos (that's over 1600 pictures) - time consuming to take/review/modify and back-up; ten memorable days filled with family, fun, adventure, beautiful weather, and gorgeous scenery – absolutely priceless!

Flights: Hawaiian Airlines, <http://hawaiianair.com> 800-367-5320. Book 6 months advance, plan on \$25 a bag, meals okay, bring headphones and laptop/tablet for 5.5 hour flight due to bad inflight movie viewing. They rent tablets; just book it at the desk before boarding.

Car Rental: Good Luck... Various car rental places at airport and away from airport (some without transportation to <or> from airport) with various cars available; expect long waits to get car, and they all try to charge you for all kinds of extras, like prepaid gas, insurance, and extra drivers (including spouses, they're extra - \$15 a day)! Determine your Designated

Driver for the entire visit before booking.

Maui Weather Forecast: <http://www.hawaiiweathertoday.com/maui/> Just pick the location of where you're staying as the weather is different all around the island.

Maui News Feed: http://maui.now.com/category/maui_news/ If you want to remain current on island news... same stuff as where you live, just on an island with difficult to pronounce, fun-sounding names.

Lodging: Maui Beachfront Rentals (office in Lahaina, hee hee walking distance from the brewery, hic) 888-661-7200 Say hi, and tell them that Patrick Witz sent you. They also have a great concierge service to book activities on the island (including car rental); many a little cheaper due to their volume.

Infant / Child Rental Gear: www.nanaenterprises.com and <http://www.akamaimothers.com> They deliver, pick-up, and work with Maui Beachfront Rentals.

Whale Watching: Captain Steve's Rafting at <http://captainsteves.com/> and Facebook main page with continually updated videos and photos: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Captain-Steves-Rafting-Adventures/179797987635> IF you want to view our specific 2/21/14 two-minute close encounter with the whales from an underwater perspective (like over 16,700 other people have done so far), go online to <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10151969744737636&set=vb.179797987635&type=2&theater>

Snorkeling / Whale Watching / Sunset Sailing: Gemini Charters, Maui, Wonderful crew, fun, supply all gear and very helpful with beginner snorkelers. Enjoyable catamaran sailing, load from Ka'anapali beach, fun, great food, comfortable, experienced... celebrating 30 years in Ka'anapali. 808-669-0508 www.geminicharters.com

NOAH: At The IMAX

Playing at the Esquire IMAX Theatre for a one week limited engagement beginning March 27th at 7pm. From the inspirational story of courage, sacrifice, hope and redemption, Darren Aronofsky ("Black Swan," "The Wrestler," "The Fountain") brings to the screen NOAH: The IMAX Experience.

Academy Award® winner Russell Crowe portrays the man chosen by God to undertake a momentous mission of rescue before an apocalyptic flood destroys the world. Never before has the full story been brought to life on screen in a vivid epic – inviting the audience to experience these spectacular events through the eyes and emotions of Noah and his family, as they journey through fear and faith,

destruction and triumph, hardship and hope. Tickets are on sale at the theatre box office and www.imax.com/sacramento

The IMAX® release of NOAH: The IMAX Experience will be digitally re-mastered into the image and sound quality of The IMAX Experience® with proprietary IMAX DMR® (Digital Re-mastering) technology. The crystal-clear images, coupled with the Esquire IMAX Theatre's six stories high and 80 feet wide screen, customized theatre geometry and powerful digital audio, create a unique environment that will make audiences feel as if they are in the movie.

The Esquire IMAX Theatre offers reserved seating for guests as well as parking validation. Movie-goers may receive free parking with validation at the Capitol Garage on 10th Street and L Street after 5pm weekdays and all day Saturday and Sunday. Simply present the parking ticket at the Esquire IMAX Theatre box office.

NOAH: The IMAX Experience is rated PG-13. The Esquire IMAX Theatre is located at 1211 K Street in downtown Sacramento. For information on tickets and showtimes, please call 916-443-IMAX (4629) or www.imax.com/sacramento For events, fundraisers, private show screenings, 916-446-2333 x201.



Sharbat Gula, Afghan Refugee

March is National Women's History Month and to celebrate, the Rogue Art Quilters of Ashland, Oregon are hosting an exhibition for quilters to share quilts of Notable Women. Jane Haworth of Auburn (and *Gold Country Times'* reporter) chose to make a colorful quilt of Sharbat Gula. Her name may not be familiar but her image is famous as the cover of *National Geographic Magazine* in June 1985, taken by photographer Steve McCurry.

Known as the 'Women with the Eyes', this image and piercing eyes brought awareness to the world of the plight of Afghan refugees who were displaced to Pakistan. Jane named her quilt 'Nameless Afghan Woman' to celebrate this Notable woman. Jane Haworth teaches children to sew in Auburn, and designs unique memory quilts for clients around the U.S. from her online shop at Etsy.com

In addition to quilts, Jane makes raw edge collage applique wall hangings using her own hand-dyed fabrics. She also enjoys the challenge of repurposing materials into useful products like bags. <http://notablewomenquiltinitiative.wordpress.com/the-quilts/> *Photo courtesy Jane Haworth to the Gold Country Times*



Amador Flower Farm's 17th Annual Spring Fling!

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