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Save the Date:

February 24, 2009:
Lindamood-Bell Learning
Center Ribbon Cutting

April 17-19, 2009:
Annual Fine Arts Festival @
Sidewalks of Santa Cruz Ave

April 17-19, 2009:
Progress Seminar @ Hyatt
Regency, Monterey, CA

April 11, 2009:
Egg Hunt @ Burgess Park

April 26, 2009:
Kite Day @
Bedwell Bayfront Park

June 24 & August 12, 2009:
Summer Block Party Series @
Santa Cruz Avenue

July 18-19, 2009:
Annual Connoisseurs
Marketplace @
Santa Cruz Avenue

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Greetings!

Welcome to the first issue of the 2009 Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce's electronic newsletter: Word On The Street. This issue includes notable 2009 events, an update from the Transportation Committee about High Speed Rail and new Chamber members.

2009 Chamber Events

- The Ambassadors Committee, which acts as a liaison between the Chamber and its members, is planning to have a mixer for those interested in participating in this committee in February. Stay tuned for more information about this event.
- Lindamood-Bell Learning Center is celebrating its opening with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony February 24th at 12:30 pm. Come visit the new store at 801 El Camino Real in Menlo Park.
- Downtown Menlo Park will celebrate spring with its 27th Annual Sidewalk Arts Festival on April 17th-19th. Please visit our [website](#) for more information.
- For the third year in a row, the Chamber will sponsor the Summer Block Party Series to be held on Santa Cruz Avenue on the evenings of June 24th and August 12th. Please plan on attending these downtown family and friends events!
- 23rd Annual Connoisseurs' Marketplace will be held on July 18th-19th. This art and wine festival regularly boasts local artists, entertainers, and fantastic food and wine vendors.

Progress Seminar

The 40th Annual Progress Seminar will be this April 17th-19th at the Hyatt Regency in Monterey, CA. The Progress Seminar informally brings together business, government, and community leaders to discuss regional issues and how to combat those issues. For more information please visit our [website](#).

Transportation Update

The California High Speed Rail Authority has begun Project Level preliminary engineering and EIR/EIS for the High Speed Rail route segment from San Francisco to San Jose along the Caltrain Corridor. They are requesting local agencies, property owners and other stakeholders to provide written comments during the scoping period on items they would like covered in the environmental and planning process. Comments should be mailed to California High-Speed Rail Authority, 925 L Street, Suite 1425, Sacramento, Ca. 95814 or emailed to comments@hsr.ca.gov by March 6, 2009. For additional information on High Speed Rail check out the website at www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov.

Welcome to Our New Members

CMIT Solutions of Greater Palo Alto

570 El Camino Real, Redwood City

Harrell Remodeling

1954 Old Middlefield Way, Mountain View

The Law Offices of John C. Martin

1145 Merrill Street, Menlo Park

Lindamood-Bell Learning Center

801 El Camino Real, Menlo Park

Mid-Peninsula Animal Hospital, Inc.

1125 Merrill Street, Menlo Park

Trowbridge Insurance

329 Waterford Street, Pacifica

Union Bank of California, The Private Bank

400 University Avenue, Palo Alto

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