



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal



Page 1



May 2007

Assemblyman Nava Honors E.J. Harrison & Sons



California Assemblyman Pedro Nava (D – Santa Barbara) has honored Ventura and Santa Barbara County trash-hauler E.J. Harrison & Sons as the California 35th Assembly District's 2007 Small Business of Year.

Harrison Vice President Jim Harrison and company spokeswoman Nan Drake accepted the award on behalf of the company during a May 2 ceremony at the Sacramento Convention Center.

Nava selected Harrison in recognition of the company's 75 years of contributions to the Ventura and Santa Barbara County business communities. Harrison has a long history of supporting youth organizations and sponsoring cultural and community events, donating thousands of dollars to the communities that they serve.

"E.J. Harrison & Sons is a leading force in the business community, both by setting an exemplary standard for local businesses and by its long standing tradition of community generosity," Nava said. "They also have been an industry leader in finding innovative ways to reduce its company's impact on the environment. I am honored to recognize them."

Additionally, Harrison has received recognition from CALSTART, North America's leading advanced transportation technologies consortium, for its aggressive approach toward minimizing vehicle emissions from its fleet of trucks by adopting a range of technologies including, the purchase of new clean air trucks, dual-fuel conversions and engine retrofits, clean diesel and the use of innovative filters. These actions have resulted in measurable air quality benefits in Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties.

Congratulations for Surpassing Diversion Rates



Partnerships Work!!! Harrison Industries, Gold Coast Recycling and Transfer Station and California Wood Recycling want to thank the cities of Ventura, Carpinteria, Camarillo, Fillmore, Ojai and Thousand Oaks, their residents and businesses for not only reaching the 50% diversion goal of reducing what goes to landfills, but surpassing it.

Here are the latest diversion rates:

- Ventura – 66%
- Carpinteria – 60%
- Fillmore – 60%
- Camarillo – 56%
- Thousand Oaks – 56%
- Ojai – 53%

Continued on page 2



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal



Congratulations for Surpassing Diversion Rates - continued from page 1

What a great job! You are doing your part to reduce global warming by recycling. The less you send to landfills means less methane gas produced worldwide, with cleaner air for all to breathe. Keep up the good work, and keep following “The Three R’s” – Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Also make sure you have the correct level of service to meet your trash and recycling needs. Call your city’s recycling coordinator today for a free waste audit.

Thank you & keep up the good work!

Ojai Music Festival



Everyone still has time to buy tickets to attend the world-acclaimed Ojai Music Festival, which features several wonderful performances from June 7-10. E.J. Harrison & Sons is again proud to be a sponsor in this, the festival’s 61st season.

It is a one-of-a-kind weekend in the beautiful City of Ojai’s Libbey Park, where you can enjoy world-class music in one of the most beautiful outdoor settings in the world. For ticket information, call 646-2094.

A Busy Day at the Annual Trash Bash



Picture: Shown with another Trash Bash attendee are (Left) George Harrison, (Right Middle) Bill Camarillo and (Right) Lynn Harrison.

The Trash Bash, held on May 22, is a long-standing tradition in the trash industry and a great opportunity to meet with legislators, their staffs and the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB). Laws are put into effect yearly concerning trash and recycling issues that are felt here at home. It is not only important that we keep abreast of what is going on, but also to let our legislations know how we feel about these important issues.

Nan Drake and Bill Camarillo (Agromin) as well as Jim, Lynn and Dan Harrison attended, and not only heard from a governor’s representative, but also two CIWMB members: Chair Margo Reid Brown and Wes Chesbro (Nan actually sat with Chesbro on the board in the early 90’s—

all good things are recycled). Both praised the haulers for really making the 52% diversion rate statewide happen.

Nan, Bill, Jim, Lynn and Dan then hot-lapped it over to the State Capitol to visit with five of our seven legislators representing portions of Ventura County. We first met with Assemblyman Cameron Smyth, who represents Santa



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal



A Busy Day at the Annual Trash Bash - continued from page 2

Clarita in Los Angeles County (California Wood Recycling does all of its green waste recycling), and then it was on to old friend Assemblywoman Audra Strickland. Both are interested in recycling and want to continue to help improve the atmosphere for recycling by adopting recycling friendly laws.

Senator George Runner, who also represents Santa Clarita, got an update from Bill Camarillo on the new partnership with Newhall Land and Farm for green waste recycling in his district. Our fourth appointment was with freshman Assemblywoman Julia Brownley, who was busy in a committee hearing and couldn't get away, so we went to her Environmental Committee budget hearing. This was interesting but hard to follow unless you had more details – it was down to voting “aye” or “nay” on budget issues.

Our fifth appointment was with Assemblyman Pedro Nava, who represents most of Santa Barbara County and the cities of Ventura and Oxnard. Unfortunately, Mr. Nava was unavailable, so we missed him, but we had a great meeting with his Chief of Staff, Jillena Eifer.

It was then over to the actual Trash Bash to visit with the many legislators from all over the state and their staffs. It was also time to compare notes with other industry members. It was a long day – we left Ventura at 4:15 a.m. and returned at midnight. But it was a learning experience for Daniel Harrison (his first business trip to Sacramento) and for all of us to do a catch up on what is happening in the Capitol.

Myra Harrison is Grand Marshal of St. Patrick's Day Parade



Picture: Top - Myra leads the St. Patrick's Day parade as Grand Marshal. Bottom - Ventura City Councilman Jim Monaban, aka St. Patrick, greets Grand Marshal Myra Harrison at the St. Patrick's Day Parade.



E.J. Harrison & Sons co-founder Myra Harrison was Grand Marshal of 19th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Ventura on March 17. The parade's theme this year was “Go Green,” and Myra was selected in honor of Harrison's many efforts in environmental protection, from its innovative recycling programs to the company's purchase of several new trucks fueled by clean-burning liquefied natural gas. Harrison also has converted many of its fleet's diesel trucks to run on LNG. Last fall, the company also took a major step toward helping to reduce air pollution by opening the first LNG fueling station in western Ventura County.

“On March 17th everyone is Irish, but Harrison & Sons is Green all year long,” said Ventura City Councilman Jim Monahan, co-chairman of the County Ventura St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. “We are honored to have Myra Harrison and E.J. Harrison & Sons as our Grand Marshals, and we thank them for their contributions to Ventura County.”

Myra rode in the lead convertible with her son Jim. Four generations of Harrison family members walked behind,



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal

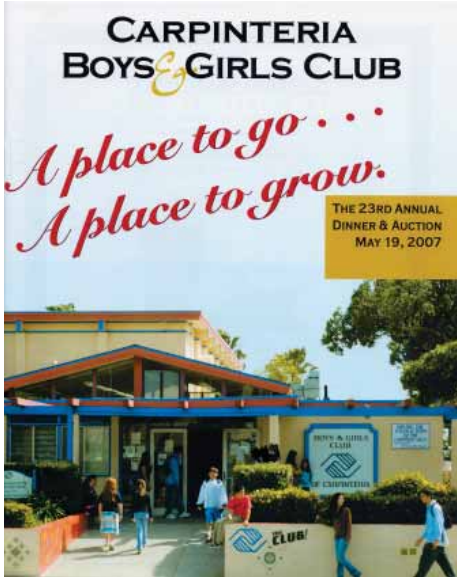


Myra Harrison is Grand Marshal of St. Patrick's Day Parade - continued from page 3

waving to the crowd. Behind them were two Harrison LNG trucks.

Myra had a wonderful time, and wants to thank everyone who attended the parade and waved to her along the parade route. She said that it was a thrill of a lifetime with so many happy smiling faces waving to her. A special surprise was when Myra was handed a first-place trophy for best commercial vehicle in the parade.

Harrisons Sponsor Carpinteria Boys and Girls Club Auction



The residents of Carpinteria turned out in full force for the 19th annual auction on May 19 to benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Carpinteria. E.J. Harrison & Sons was very proud to again be a sponsor. We also had a table of 10 in attendance. Enjoying the evening were Myra Harrison, Ralph and Jenny Harrison, Lynn and Pattie Harrison, Jim Harrison, Nan Drake, Ralph and Jim's sister Jan Seamands – visiting from Wyoming – and Joyce Velarde.

There was a silent auction and lots of activity. Since Carpinteria is home to several flower-growing businesses, there were several floral donations, including gorgeous orchid plants and, of course, lots of wines from local growers. Items auctioned off ranged from garden hoses to overnight stays in local hotels.

The live auction item that really caught my eye, though, was for a five-day stay for six in a farm house in Tuscany, Italy. It went for \$3,300. It was a great event and raised lots of money for the local youth. The dinner, held in the Boys and Girls Club gymnasium, was catered and featured delicious prime rib and salmon.

Camarillo Auction Benefits Boys and Girls Club



Close to 150 attended the annual live and silent auction benefiting the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club. E.J. Harrison & Sons is a proud sponsor of this gala event, held May 5 at the Las Posas Country Club. Myron and George Harrison, both Camarillo residents, were in attendance along with 18 other Harrison family members and friends. The Harrison family, following the tradition set by their founders and parents, E.J. and Myra Harrison, continue to invest in the youth in their service areas.

Myra Harrison, approaching her 93rd birthday, was also in attendance and commented, "We really believe that supporting the Boys and Girls Clubs ensures better citizens for tomorrow. For many, this is their "after school home" where they learn many skills to help them become productive and active adults."

Perhaps the most unique item put up for bid was a certification for complete orthodontic care from the Camarillo Children's Dental Group. Also auctioned was a six-night stay at a Marriott hotel anywhere in the world. The auctions raised \$50,000 for Camarillo youth.



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal



Ventura Music Festival

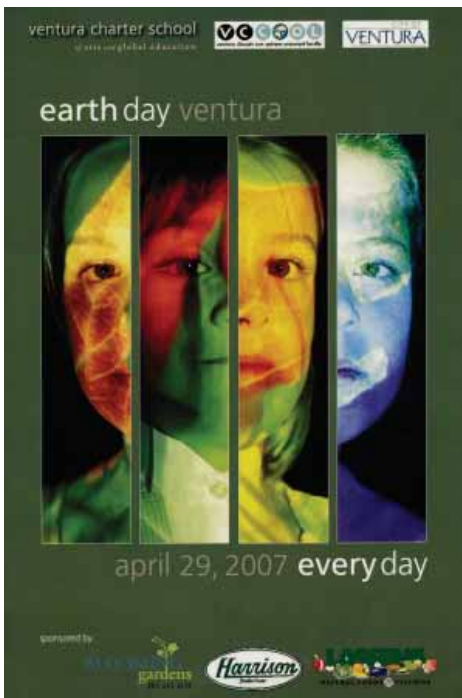


The City of Ventura and the Ventura Music Festival Association, Inc., can be very proud of its 13th Annual Music Festival, held May 3-13. Every year it gets better and better.

E.J. Harrison & Sons has been a sponsor from the beginning, and it has been a tradition for us to sponsor the concert in the Ventura Mission. This year's performance by Italian pianist Giuseppe Albanese was fabulous; he makes the piano dance, literally. The director of the festival told me that that they actually had to secure the piano to the stage.

You really would have had to be there to appreciate the excitement and life Giuseppe brings to his performances. He is only 28 years old and the world is at his feet. Don't miss it next year.

Ventura's 2007 Earth Day Celebration a Big Success



E.J. Harrison & Sons was very excited about helping to get this first-time event off to a great start. Ventura's Earth Day Celebration and Global Warming Event on April 29 had over 1,000 participants and a jammed-packed schedule of fun, education and entertainment. Ventura Mayor Carl Morehouse, Councilman Brian Brennan, City Manager Rick Cole and Ventura County Supervisor Steve Bennett attended. Brennan said he was very proud of the City and Ventura Charter School for the great job being done "to begin the end of carbon dependency."

The event had something for all ages, and was fun and educational for everyone there. There were games, face-painting, nature skills workshops, crafts and lots of entertainment. Cole said, "It will be bigger and better next year." Congratulations to all who participated.



Working Together for a Better Environment!

E-mail Newsletter

E.J. Harrison & Sons • Newbury Disposal • Santa Clara Valley Disposal



Page 6

May 2007

Ventura Garden Party Raises Funds for Boys and Girls Club



Picture: Supporters of the Ventura Boys & Girls Club enjoyed a beautiful day at the Annual Garden Party.

Ventura residents turned out in full force for the beautiful Garden Party for the Ventura Boys and Girls Club on May 20 at the historic Pierpont Inn. Many local restaurants supplied delicious food for tasting, while wineries and breweries supplied liquid refreshment for all in attendance. There were all kinds of fun areas to participate in. There was an ocean view area with lovely works of art on display and up for auction. In the beautifully landscaped inner garden area, live music filled the air while another silent auction was going on.

It was a fun day for all, and best of all, it raised lots of money for our local youth. E.J. Harrison & Sons is very happy to be a sponsor. We have never missed sponsoring this event.

Sincerely,

Nan Drake
Harrison Industries

email: info@ejharrison.com

phone: 805-701-9809

web: <http://www.ejharrison.com>