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## **PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Pets Invited To Bring Their Owners To Danville's July 3<sup>rd</sup> Hay Days Celebration**

Danville - This summer, children five to twelve years old will have the opportunity to showcase their favorite four-legged furry friends and other pets as part of the Kiwanis Club of San Ramon Valley's July 3<sup>rd</sup> Hay Days Celebration in Danville.

**The Kids & Pet Costume Parade is Thursday evening, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm.** Pets and their youthful companions will compete for prizes in categories such as cutest, funniest, and most original costumes. Both kids and pets are encouraged to dress up in costumes.

**Old-fashioned Bathing Suit Show is Thursday evening, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm**

Put on your classic swim togs and join the fun! Model your vintage swimsuit on stage and have some fun being "young" again. Festivities start at 6:00pm on the stage which will be located by the Museum. Young and old, men, women and children are welcome to participate. All participants are also invited to ride in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade on the Discover Danville Float.

In addition to the Kids & Pets Costume Parade and Old-Fashioned Bathing Suit Show, there will be hay rides, an Arabian horse exhibition, live music, carnival games, children's train rides, Dreyer's ice cream, and a Town of Danville community picnic. And the best part about it all, the event is completely free to the public. The events will take place in downtown Danville between 4:00-8:00pm on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and will celebrate the Town of Danville's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hay Days.

The Kiwanis club is accepting entries for the Kids & Pet costume Parade, Old Fashioned Bathing Suit Show and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. Register at [www.Kiwanis-SRV.org](http://www.Kiwanis-SRV.org).

**The Kiwanis club, organizer of the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade, wants to remind everyone that the parade starts at 9:00 am this year rather the traditional 10:00 am due to the estimated longer parade time.** "The Hay Days 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is going to be a hit! People should definitely put the date in their calendar and come to the party. It may end up being one of the biggest events the Town of Danville has ever seen," says Kiwanis Community Services Chair Eric Leffler.

To register for the pet parade and/or the old fashioned bathing suit show, or for more information on the Hay Days 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, visit the "Parade" page at [www.kiwanis-srv.org](http://www.kiwanis-srv.org). The Kiwanis Club has also located pictures from the original 1958 Hay Days Parade and has posted the pictures on their web site. We are going back in time this year at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade and have already recruited historic entries such as the Wells Fargo Stage Coach and the California History Artillery Society, a civil war re-enactment group.

The Kiwanis Club of San Ramon Valley is a community service club comprised of local business leaders and community residents who enjoy sharing good fellowship, building enduring friendships and helping local organizations and individuals with community service projects and grant funding. For information on membership or how to be involved, please email [membership@kiwanis-srv.org](mailto:membership@kiwanis-srv.org) or call (925)425-1013.