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Church Marks 100th Year



Carmichael Presbyterians Karen Orlando (left), Associate Pastor Ivan Herman, Pastor Keith De Vries and Allison Cagley parade relics of the century-old church's early years. Photo by Susan Maxwell Skinner

Story by Susan Maxwell Skinner

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - It might be just adobe and tile. But Carmichael Presbyterian Church is among the most painted and photographed of local buildings.

Its earliest members met in a schoolhouse and soon built a sanctuary on Marconi Avenue. The schoolhouse and original church are long gone but Carmichael Presbyterians – the earliest organized congregation in Carmichael – worship on. Marking a century this year, the congregation formed soon after Daniel Carmichael's satellite town was colonized.



The contemporary campus incorporates a 1940s chapel (left) and a 1950s sanctuary building. Photo by Susan Maxwell Skinner

"It brings me joy to be part of a ministry that has loved and served God and our neighbors for 100 years," says Pastor Keith DeVries. "This is a vital and energetic church, much as it was when we first began. We're all excited

about our anniversary."

A year-long program of commemoration began with a January festival that offered brunch and memorabilia displays. On May 7, mezzo-soprano Hannah Ludwig will present a concert fundraiser. The

congregation will unearth a time capsule on May 21; potluck lunch will follow. Youth groups reunite over the weekend of August 4-6 and a Christian pop concert ends the gathering. On September 16, the church food closet celebrates its 50th year with a barbecue.

A centennial quilt will be unveiled on November 12. A December 1-3 gala weekend rounds off the festive year with a concert and luncheon. Anyone may attend all celebrations.

"In June, we'll open an art show featuring paintings of the Church by local artists," says Centennial committee member Karen Orlando. "And our memorabilia display can be

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United Way Announces 100th Anniversary Goal



Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO at United Way California Capital Region, announces the nonprofit's 100th anniversary goal at one of United Way's Yolo Kids Read events in West Sacramento. Photo courtesy Thebaud Communications

By Kristin Thébaud Communications

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - As United Way California Capital Region celebrates its 100th anniversary this year, the local nonprofit working to end poverty through education has announced a new goal to raise \$3 million to help 10,000 kids excel in school by 2025.

"This is such an important year as we celebrate 100 years working together with this community to end poverty for local families," said Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region. "We have learned so much over the past 100 years, and now we are ready to enter our next century with a bold new goal. We know education is a proven ladder out of poverty, and we know school is square one for reaching families in need. With kids coming out of Covid even more behind in school, we have doubled down on our commitment to raise the resources necessary for our region's children to excel in school and thrive as adults."

Focusing on schools through its Square One approach, United Way California Capital Region offers a wide array of programming and services to ensure children and their families have the resources they need to succeed in school and in adulthood. From a regional reading tutoring program and school-readiness services for incoming kindergarteners to an income program for foster youth, guaranteed income for families, free tax preparation services and more, United Way has created a holistic approach that starts in schools. United Way's work centers families in their children's academic achievement by helping children excel in school, investing in families, and strengthening schools with resources to address increased poverty and deep roots of racial inequality.

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Community Honors Leaders

Story and photos by Susan Maxwell Skinner

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - The Carmichael Chamber of Commerce will toast business and community leaders at a Northridge Country Club gala on March 30.

The annual Community Awards dinner celebrates five citizens and a nonprofit. Honorees all have long service to Carmichael community in common. Channel 10 anchor Alex Bell will emcee the event.

Person of the Year for 2023 is former legislator Ken Cooley. A long-time Chamber supporter, Cooley grew up in the Bay Area and studied at Sacramento's McGeorge School of Law. The attorney was elected to the Rancho Cordova City Council in 2002. Councilman Cooley was

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Former Assemblyman Ken Cooley will be honored as Carmichael Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year. He is pictured with his wife, Sydney.

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This charming 2 bedroom and 1 bath house has it all! A private European courtyard with a new patio and well-landscaped front yard add to this home's great curb appeal. The dreamy kitchen features white granite countertops and brushed gold hardware, newer white cabinets, a gas cooktop stove, and tons of storage space. The dining/living room combo offers great natural lighting with expansive dual pane windows. Enjoy spacious bedrooms and a newly remodeled bathroom with an Italian marble bath vanity that offers an abundance of cabinet space. Newer laminate flooring throughout, an inside laundry room with a new washer and dryer, and LED recessed lighting with ceiling fans and RV access. This house offers the utmost in privacy with a gated courtyard, and large fenced sideyards and backyard with new fencing.



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From its charming exterior to its beautifully updated interior, this Sacramento home has it all! Step inside to a spacious floor plan with 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths, separate living and family rooms, and a formal dining area. The living room features beautiful hardwood flooring and a cozy fireplace for those long winter nights. Relax and unwind in the bright and airy family room, which opens up to the private backyard. The kitchen is appointed with granite countertops and stainless steel appliances. Entertain outdoors with a roomy backyard, complete with a sparkling pool, outdoor patio, play structure, tool shed and more! 3-car garage with possible RV access. Just steps away from Mission Park and close to Raleys, Bel Air, great shopping and restaurants.

Meticulously cared for by its longtime owners, this Maddox Ranch home shows pride of ownership at every turn. Step inside to a spacious floor plan with 5 bedrooms and 3 full baths. The bright and airy living room has a cozy fireplace and large bay windows. The roomy kitchen is appointed with double ovens, a brand new dishwasher, and plenty of storage space! Separate family room and dining room. The large master has its own sitting area that looks out to the private backyard. Two fireplaces, brand new heat and air units, Eagle Shield attic insulation, a 2-car garage, and RV access. The backyard features low-maintenance landscaping, a patio area, and a tool shed for your hobbies. Just steps away from Maddox Park, Raleys, and fabulous shopping and restaurants and excellent schools.

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Sac County Ends COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

SacCounty News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - On February 28th, 2023, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors voted to end the local COVID-19 State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency. The ending of the emergency declaration does not rescind or impact Health Officer Orders or California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Orders governing mask usage in certain settings.

Sacramento County Public Health identified the first case of COVID-19 in Sacramento County three years ago this month. Since then, there have been over 368,000 reported cases of COVID-19 and over 3,700 residents of Sacramento County have died from COVID-19. COVID-19 will not go away on February 28 and residents are urged to continue to take steps to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses. This includes staying up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccinations, testing for COVID-19 if you have symptoms, and asking your healthcare provider about treatments if you test positive for COVID-19. Vulnerable people, including those who are at greater risk for severe illness, should consider wearing a mask in indoor public places.

Some of the changes residents may notice when the emergencies end and in the coming months:

Dashboard

The Sacramento County Public Health COVID-19 dashboard will no

longer be updated after March 1. After this date, please use the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) "Tracking COVID-19 in California" dashboard to access the latest data.

Public Meetings

Meetings governed by the Brown Act, such as City Councils, Board of Supervisors, School Boards, and their affiliated advisory bodies will need to return to in-person meetings if they have not already done so.

Testing Sites

Some underutilized State-funded testing sites will wind down operations in the coming months. CDPH has indicated testing sites will remain open as long as funding is available and they are being utilized. No closure dates have been set.

The federal COVID-19 emergency will remain in place until May 11, at which point residents can expect additional changes, including how costs associated with COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccination may be covered.

Please note that the following are not tied to emergency declarations and are not directly affected when the emergencies terminate:

Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Non-Emergency Regulations; Emergency Use Authorizations (EUs) for vaccinations; and Investigational New Drug applications (INDs).

Sacramento County Public Health will continue to monitor COVID-19 as we do with other infectious diseases. ★

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Community Honors Leaders

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twice city mayor and in 2012, District 8 voters chose him for California State Assembly. He served for 10 years and is now enjoying retirement from public life – and being granddad to his sons' five kids.

Businessman of the Year is restaurant entrepreneur Ernesto Delgado. His interests extend from Carmichael to eateries in downtown and West Sacramento. Delgado brought traditional Mexican cuisine (and his mom's favorite recipes) to the Milagro Centre in 2016. Under the Ernest Delgado Hospitality Group umbrella, his businesses support culinary education, the arts and Mexican cultural events.

Businesswoman of the Year is Bonnie Prophet, who owns one of Carmichael's longest-enduring enterprises. Serritella's restaurant opened its doors in 1965. Owner/chef Prophet learned her trade in her mom's kitchen and through restaurant jobs during college years. The mom of three bought Serritella's in 2006. She moved the business from its iconic Palm Drive corner location in 2019, and now offers sustaining Italian cuisine in the Milagro Centre.

Educator of the Year Holly Olson represents the third generation of her family to lead Carmichael's El Rancho Preschool and Elementary. She began lessons there as a preschooler, graduated from El Camino High School and earned her education degree in Missouri. Mother of two teenagers, Olson steered El Rancho through the pandemic with few lost learning days for 80 private students. Her school recently marked a 57-year anniversary.

Community Advocate for 2023, Linda Martin grew up and began teaching in New Mexico. Joining Sacramento's San Juan School District in 1969, she first taught then administered. The educator retired as Associate Superintendent. Martin's volunteerism includes serving the Carmichael Kiwanis Club, Carmichael Parks Foundation and the Aerospace Museum of California. Her present



Mesa Mercado restaurant founder Ernesto Delgado is Businessman of the Year.



El Rancho School Principal Holly Olson is Educator of the Year.



Educator and activist Linda Martin is the Chamber's Community Advocate for 2023.



Betty Bowles takes laurels as the Chamber's honored Ambassador.



Serritella's restaurant owner Bonnie Prophet is named Businesswoman for 2023.

museum efforts focus on encouraging young people into science, technology, engineering, art and math-related careers.

Chamber Ambassador of the Year Betty Bowles grew up in Lodi. Raising a son in

Sacramento, she boosted his Boy Scout troop, coached his soccer teams and helped in high school stage productions. Volunteerism was squeezed in around 30-years of assisting with workplace

problems for the Department of Labor. After retirement, Bowles delivered pizza, baby-sat pets and wrote a history book on Lodi. She has been a Chamber volunteer for 14 years.

As the Chamber's Non-Profit of the Year, the American River Parkway Foundation will gain a portion of gala proceeds.

The Community Awards Dinner will be held on Thursday, March 30, beginning at 6 pm. \$150 admission includes dinner, raffles, auctions and a no-host bar. Northridge Country Club is located at 7600 Madison Ave. For information, call the Chamber at (916) 481-1002. ★



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Nottoli Place Shelter Opening for Older Adults



To be eligible for Nottoli Place, Sacramento County individuals of +60 years of age must be involved with Adult Protective Services. Photo courtesy of SacCounty

SacCounty News Release

ROSEMONT, CA (MPG)

A new 15-bed facility for adults aged 60+ will be opening soon in Sacramento County. Nottoli Place, named after retired Sacramento County District 5 Supervisor Don Nottoli, will house older adults who are eligible for Sacramento County's Adult Protective Services (APS) and experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

"It's a high compliment and a true honor to have a safe harbor such as this bear my name," said Nottoli at the soft opening for the facility.

The shelter has 15 rooms. Some rooms will allow double occupancy for spouses or caretakers.

Several community members showed up for the soft opening of Nottoli Place on Thursday, February 23. During the ceremony, Sacramento County District 5 Supervisor Pat Hume highlighted how important it is for the county to have facilities like Nottoli Place.

"The reality is there

are people who live good lives who have had bad things happen to them and it is important that society steps up to protect them. Through no fault of their own, whether they are victims of abuse or neglect or being taken advantage of, this is a place for them to come and feel restored, to alter their faith and their hope. And they can have a safe, healthy environment to get back on their feet," said Sacramento County District 5 Supervisor Pat Hume.

Sacramento County, like many other counties in California, has seen an increase in older adults facing housing insecurity and homelessness for the first time due to a destabilizing event or because they are the victims of abuse or neglect. Nottoli Place is meant to provide a safe space for older adults until they are able to find more permanent housing.

"By adding this place that will be a place of comfort and warmth and welcoming we'll be able to address some of that need in our community and for that, I am very thankful," added Nottoli.

To be eligible for Nottoli Place, adults must be involved with Adult Protective Services and be able to live independently or have a care provider to assist them. Applicants must live in Sacramento County.

On-site services will be provided by Volunteers of America, including 24-hour staffing and availability 24 hours per day/seven days a week, daily meals, and laundry services.

Additionally, case management services will be provided with linkages to resources, including longer-term housing. There are rules people must abide by when staying at Nottoli Place. No alcohol or illegal drugs are allowed. Weapons are also forbidden. There is also a pet policy. One animal is allowed per guest. The pet must be vaccinated, and vaccination records are needed upon registration.

For questions about APS eligibility or to report abuse or neglect, call the APS hotline at (916) 874-9377. To learn more about Sacramento County APS, visit defas.saccounty.gov/Pages/Home.aspx. ★

SMUD Educator Workshops and Events

SMUD News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - SMUD's Community Education & Technology Center lineup of educator workshops and events for Spring 2023 are open for registration.

SMUD's Community Education & Technology Center provides instruction and education on a wide variety of energy-related topics, including renewable energy, STEM curriculum development, home energy efficiency, and advanced energy and computing concepts. Education in these areas engage students in concepts and technologies that are central to SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan, which will remove carbon emissions from the region's power supply by 2030.

SMUD also hosts several community events throughout the year, including the upcoming SMUD Solar Car Race at Cosumnes River College, SMUD California Solar Regatta, Back-to-School Launch Party at the Aerospace Museum of California, Youth Energy Summit and Electricity Fair in Folsom, both of which

will celebrate their 10th anniversaries this year.

Held virtually and in-person, the free professional development workshops are open to all educators within SMUD's service area. The upcoming class, "The Magic of Solar Cells," will be held Wednesday at 4 p.m. Other classes include:

Spring STEM Fling (Grades K-12, Families)

Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

California Aerospace Museum

3200 Freedom Park Dr., McClellan Park

Bristlebot Challenge (Grades 4-12),

Tuesday, March 14, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m., virtual

Cars for Sail (Grades 4-12)

Wednesday, March 15, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

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All classes require registration to attend. To learn more about the SMUD's Community Education & Technology Center and the upcoming events, visit smud.org/Education. ★

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Transparency on Local Ballot Measures Faces New Threat



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

During every California election cycle, dozens of ballot measures to raise taxes or issue bonds appear on local ballots.

Long-standing state law requires that the ballot include a statement, no longer than 75 words, summarizing what each measure would do. For many years, sponsors would use their 75 words to extol the virtues of their measures, often concealing their true financial impacts.

In 2015, a Republican assemblyman from Big Bear, Jay Obernolte, carried a bill aimed at making the ballot summaries less slanted and more factual, and then-Gov. Jerry Brown signed it. Assembly Bill 809 required tax increase measures, including bonds, proposed via initiative to tell voters how much money they would raise (if approved) and how long the new taxes would remain in effect.

Two years later, Obernolte introduced Assembly Bill 195, which extended the disclosure requirement to tax and bond measures proposed by cities, counties, school districts and other local entities. It also added another requirement, that the 75-word explanation of measures be a “true and impartial synopsis” of the

proposal “in language that is neither argumentative nor likely to create prejudice for or against the measure.”

The latter was clearly aimed at stopping ballot measure sponsors from using the 75-word summaries to campaign for their passage, and Brown embraced that reform by signing AB 195.

Not surprisingly, local government officials and their allies didn’t like it, fearing that having to explain the financial consequences of their proposals and abstain from language advocating their passage would make voters less likely to vote “yes” in the adjacent boxes. They complained that meeting all of the requirements in 75 words was impossible and found an ally in Scott Wiener, a Democratic state senator from San Francisco.

Just before the Legislature adjourned its 2019 session, Wiener used the so-called gut-and-amend maneuver to propose legislation that would repeal much of what Obernolte, who is now a congressman, had wrought. It would have allowed sponsors of tax and bond measures to skip including financial impacts in the 75-word statements and, instead, essentially allow them to tell voters, “See voter guide for tax rate information.”

While voter guides are useful for engaged voters, it’s fair to say that many, if not most, don’t read them. They instead rely on the ballot language itself when making their decisions. Wiener won legislative approval of Senate Bill 268, but Gov. Gavin Newsom vetoed it, declaring

accurately, “I am concerned that this bill as crafted will reduce transparency for local tax and bond measures.”

We’re now poised to do it all over again because Wiener is back with an almost identical measure, Senate Bill 532, claiming it would “improve voter transparency into the financial implications of ballot measures.”

However, it would have the opposite effect, as Newsom concluded.

Obernolte’s requirements are “well intentioned,” Wiener said in a statement, but “present massive – and at times insurmountable – challenges to transit agencies, school districts, cities, counties, hospitals, libraries, and other public entities that are legally required to rely on ballot measures to raise critical funds, especially for infrastructure projects.”

The 75-word requirements are particularly difficult for complex, multi-tiered tax and bond proposals, Wiener said, leaving “little to no room to explain how the new taxes or bonds will actually be spent to benefit the local community.”

Clearly, Wiener wants to make it easier to pass tax and bond measures by allowing their sponsors to once again use the 75-word summary for advocacy, rather than a “true and impartial synopsis.”

They should make their case in campaigns, not use the ballot itself for propaganda.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★

Challenges Facing Our County



By Rich Desmond, Sacramento County Supervisor

In February, I attended the National Association of Counties (NACO) Legislative Conference to help educate federal officials about the challenges facing Sacramento County and advocate for federal policy and budget support for County programs and priorities. I am honored to represent Sacramento County and the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) on NACO’s Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee and Housing Task Force.

The Justice and Public Safety Committee deals with several issues that are

important to me and the Sacramento County residents I represent, including effective law enforcement resources in our communities, the dramatic increase in methamphetamine and fentanyl sales and use, an increase in crime associated with growing homelessness, and solutions to mental illness and addiction that focus on treatment instead of incarceration. I have already been in contact with the US Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Assistance and Executive Sacramento County staff about meeting in Sacramento with Sheriff Jim Cooper, District Attorney Thien Ho, and others to discuss federal support for our efforts to both improve conditions at our County Jail while creating more capacity for treatment-based diversion for low level offenders with behavioral health issues.

The Housing Task Force is a new effort that brings together county officials from around the country to identify best practices

for attracting affordable and market rate housing. The task force members will evaluate best practices and use them to create a platform for advocacy at the federal level. Although counties are very different across the country and even within California, there are many policy objectives that we can all agree on, like the importance of preserving local control, support for infrastructure improvements, and direct funding to counties with flexibility based on need. As you know, Sacramento County is in desperate need of both affordable and market-rate housing.

The NACO conference revealed that there are many federal programs and funding opportunities that California counties can be using to better address our homelessness crisis, increase public safety, support more housing, and improve our roadways. I will continue working hard with my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors, County staff, and CSAC to take advantage of these opportunities. ★

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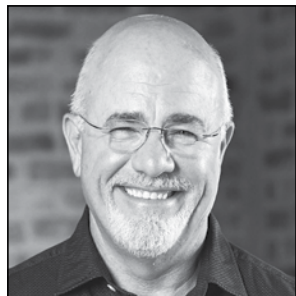
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– Dave

Dear Dave,

If your uncle asked me

Dave Ramsey Says

if he should do this, my answer would be no. The thing is, you've got three different sets of people with different lives and very different situations. Not only that, but these three potential co-owners probably have differing ideas about the land and what should or shouldn't be done with it. To me, the whole thing sounds like a big family fight just waiting to happen.

If I were in his shoes, I'd just sell the property and split the money equally between the three of you. It'd be a lot easier that way, and you'd avoid the chance of hard feelings between you and your relatives down the road. Don't get me wrong, your uncle sounds like a kind and generous man. He's trying to

be a blessing to all three of you, but it has a very real possibility of causing unintended problems he may not see coming.

That's the way I'd handle it, Dave. A couple of acres of dirt split between three people isn't worth all the squabbles and bad feelings it could cause.

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show," heard by more than 18 million listeners. He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, He also serves as CEO of Ramsey Solutions. ★



Homey Spaces

Are you happy with your living spaces? What if you could be comfy and bring you joy too? You can. Stacy Garcia shared five tips to get there adding warmth and personality, whether it's a new space or just some changes, when she was on my Radio Show POPPOFF. She is an internationally renowned designer working on the most luxurious hotels and resorts. So let's check out those tips.

1. THERE ARE NO RULES. Don't get stuck worrying about the "right" way to set up your home. Pick a style or aesthetic that appeals to you, or mix and match any elements you love. Please yourself and make sure it reflects the way you live. If you spend a lot of time cooking and love bright colors, use tons of color in your kitchen so you feel happy and harmonized. Plaids, stripes, chevron, herringbone – use whatever makes you feel good and work around those choices to create spaces that shine.

2. CREATE ROOMS THAT ARE FUNCTIONAL. Just because your house has a formal sitting room or a wood-paneled office doesn't mean you need to use it for those purposes. Think about the things you like to do. Create a yoga room, crafting space, gaming room, reading library, garden room etc. There's no wrong way to translate your personal interests and design tastes into an interior vibe that feels and functions like your own unique home.

3. EDIT YOUR BELONGINGS. It's easy to get lost in "stuff." When trying to make your house feel homey, it's

important to edit and curate your things with a critical eye. You may want to display joyful keepsakes from relatives or souvenirs you purchased on a favorite trip, but items from your past just take up space. Choose only the items that make you happy or are useful in some way and then donate the rest or have a tag sale.

4. DESIGN WITH A SENSE OF PEACE. To make a house feel truly homey, it's crucial to have a welcoming and peaceful atmosphere. You can always bring peaceful design elements to your home – peaceful doesn't have to mean neutral everything. Bringing the outdoors in with plants and fresh flowers is a great way to foster a calm and natural feeling and also include beautiful colors in your home. Lighting is also important to consider: ensuring abundant light in your home has a positive impact on emotions and goes a long way to create a peaceful and unique vibe. Using fabrics and textures that are comforting and cozy is another way to boost hominess.

5. BE PLAYFUL. It's fun to have fun and your home should give off a sense of spirit and joy. With so many serious issues in the world, it's important for your home to be a playful place where you can feel relief from the heaviness of the daily grind. Use your interior spaces as canvases for fun colors, patterns, texture, and artwork that will make you and your guests smile.

Smile with Stacy at www.shopstacygarcia.com and begin your happy home design journey. ★

Bera Announces \$11.7 Million in Federal Funding for Sacramento Airport



From the Office of Rep Ami Bera, MD

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On February 27, 2023, U.S. Representative Ami Bera, M.D. (D-CA) announced that he helped secure \$11.7 million in federal funding for the Concourse B expansion project at Sacramento International Airport (SMF). The federal grant,

made possible through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law which Bera championed and voted for in November 2021, will support the design and construction of a new pedestrian walkway connecting SMF's Concourse B to Terminal B, increasing capacity for passengers and enhancing accessibility for travelers.

"I am proud to secure these crucial funds for Sacramento International Airport," said Representative Ami Bera, who represents California's 6th Congressional district, which includes SMF. "This federal grant will help modernize SMF, helping flyers get to their destinations safely and more efficiently. I'll

continue to work with my colleagues in Congress to ensure the Sacramento region receives funding support from the historic Bipartisan Infrastructure Law."

Despite the United States leading in the development of modern aviation, our airport infrastructure remains far behind other countries. According to some rankings, zero U.S. airports are ranked in the top 25 of airports worldwide. The Bera-championed Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests \$25 billion into American airports to reduce congestion, strengthen our supply chains, and help Americans travel more quickly and at lower costs. ★

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United Way Announces 100th Anniversary Goal

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"We know a quality education helps children develop social, emotional and cognitive skills that lay the foundation for a more fulfilling and stable life," Early said. "Research shows that students who are not proficient in reading by the end of third grade falter in later grades and often drop out before earning a high school diploma."

To make a donation to the 100th anniversary campaign or to learn more about United Way's programs and services, visit: YourLocalUnitedWay.org. For 100 years, United Way California Capital Region has been working to end poverty by creating stronger, healthier, more compassionate communities. Since 1923, the local United Way has raised more than \$500 million to

fight poverty in the region and help families succeed.

United Way's milestone year will culminate on April 29 with its 100th Anniversary Gala at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. The fundraiser will honor the local United Way's past, recognize present impact, and look forward to building a future where everyone in the region has the opportunities and resources to thrive. The event will include silent and live auctions, dinner and a keynote presentation by San Francisco 49er Arik Armstead who also cofounded the Armstead Academic Project that supports students in Sacramento and the Bay Area. For tickets, visit YourLocalUnitedWay.org. ★

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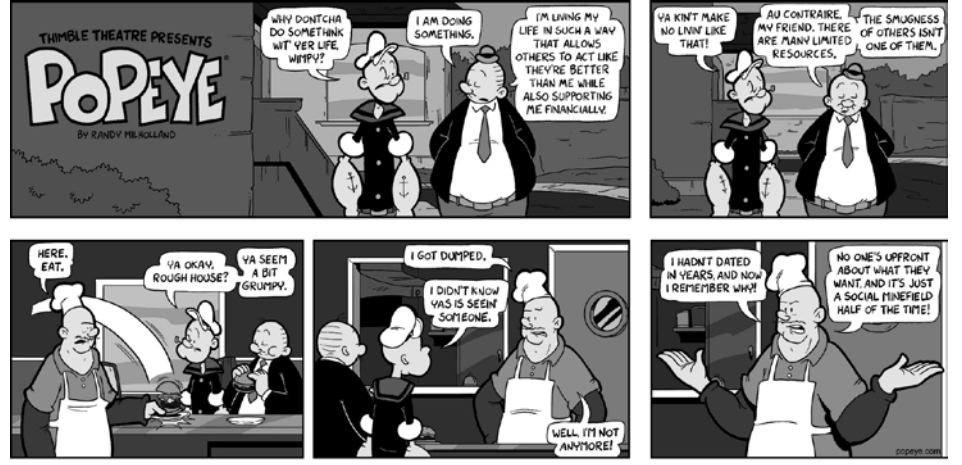
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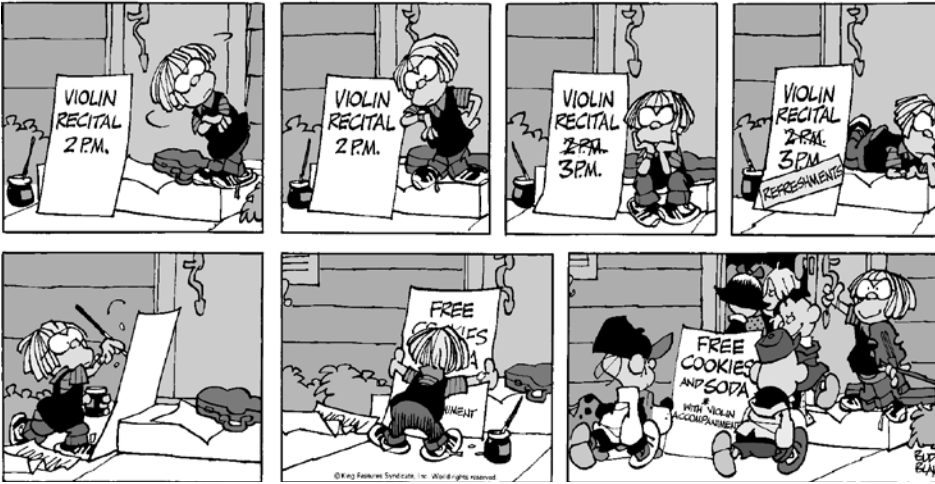
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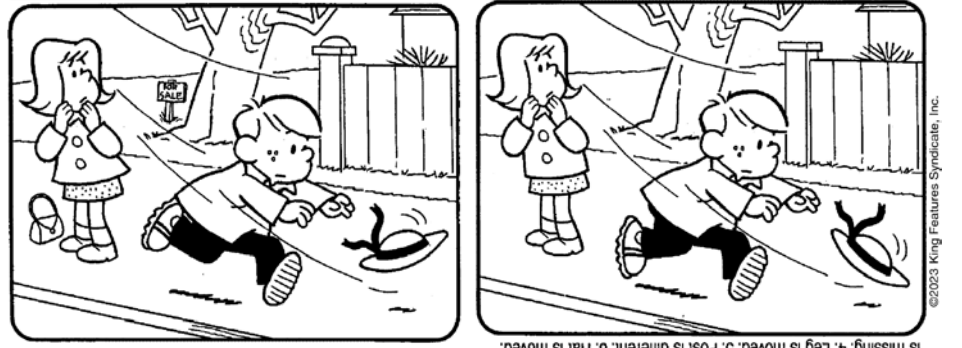
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'The Wall That Heals'

VVMF News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - *The Wall That Heals*, a three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial along with a mobile Education Center, is coming to Citrus Heights, Calif., on March 29 - April 2, 2023 to Rusch Park at 7801 Auburn Boulevard and will be open 24 hours a day and free to the public. *The Wall That Heals* honors the more than three million Americans who served in the U.S. Armed forces in the Vietnam War and it bears the names of the 58,281 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam.

"The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund is pleased to bring *The Wall That Heals* mobile exhibit to Citrus Heights to allow local veterans and their family members a chance to experience The Wall," said Jim Knotts, president and CEO of VVMF. "Hosting *The Wall That Heals* provides an opportunity to honor and remember all those who served and sacrificed in the Vietnam War and educate visitors on the continuing impact of the Vietnam War on America."

The Wall That Heals is transported from community to community in a 53-foot trailer. When parked, the trailer opens with exhibits built into its sides, allowing it to serve as a mobile Education Center telling the story of the Vietnam War, The Wall and the divisive era in American history.



The Wall That Heals honors the more than 3 million Americans who served during the Vietnam War and it bears the names of the 58,281 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. Photo courtesy of VVMF

The three-quarter scale Wall replica is 375 feet in length and stands 7.5 feet high at its tallest point. Visitors will experience The Wall rising above them as they walk towards the apex, a key feature of the design of The Wall in D.C. Visitors are able to do name rubbings of individual service member's names on The Wall.

The Mobile Education Center exhibit includes: digital photo displays of "Hometown Heroes" - service members whose names are on The Wall that list their home of record within the area of a visit; digital photo

displays of Vietnam veterans from the local area honored through VVMF's *In Memory* program which honors veterans who returned home from Vietnam and later died; video displays that teach about the history and impact of The Wall; educational exhibits told through items representative of those left at The Wall in D.C.; a replica of the *In Memory* plaque; a map of Vietnam and a chronological overview of the Vietnam War. The exhibits tell the story of the Vietnam War, The Wall and the era surrounding the conflict, and are

designed to put American experiences in Vietnam in a historical and cultural context.

The 2023 national *The Wall That Heals* tour is generously sponsored by USAA. Through a partnership with the Truckload Carriers Association (TCA), the trucking industry, and Blue Beacon, the exhibit is able to travel across the country.

Since its debut in 1996, the exhibit has been on display in more than 700 U.S. communities in addition to an April 1999 tour of the Four Provinces of Ireland and a visit to

Canada in 2005. *The Wall That Heals* is a program of VVMF, the nonprofit organization that built the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. in 1982. *The Wall That Heals* is the only traveling exhibit affiliated with The Wall in Washington, D.C. and includes the largest Wall replica that travels the country. Two VVMF staff members lead volunteers on site, educate visitors and students, and ensure the reflective atmosphere of The Wall. More information can be found at: www.thewallthatheals.org. The Vietnam Veterans

Memorial Fund (VVMF) is the nonprofit organization that built the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall) in Washington, D.C. in 1982. VVMF continues to lead the way in paying tribute to our nation's Vietnam veterans and their families. VVMF's mission is to honor and preserve the legacy of service in America and educate all generations about the impact of the Vietnam War and era through programs, ceremonies and education materials. To learn more about VVMF, visit www.vvmf.org or call 202-393-0090. ★

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DA Thien Ho Announces the 2023 Citizens Academy

Sac County DA News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Learn about the criminal justice system, discuss issues related to use of force, specialized prosecutions and sensitive current events and engage in open discussions with top administrators!

District Attorney Thien Ho announced that applications are now being accepted for this year's in-person Citizens Academy. The Sacramento County District Attorney's Office hosts the program in partnership with the Sacramento Police Department, the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office and the Sacramento County Probation Department.

The program is designed to engage citizens from all backgrounds and communities in discussion about public safety and criminal justice issues. Participants learn about our local criminal justice system – including the roles of law enforcement, prosecutors and the courts. Topics include the anatomy of a criminal

case; specialized areas of prosecution; CSI and crime lab analysis; local gangs; use of force; innovative programs and partnerships; and community-focused public safety partnerships and initiatives. There is also an opportunity for a field trip to the 911 Communications Center.

Representatives from the District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, Public Defender's Office, law enforcement, the judiciary and community organizations will provide information, answer questions and address community concerns.

There is NO cost to participants. The 10-week course is held on Tuesday evenings starting April 4, 2023 – June 13, 2023, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the Sacramento Police Department's Safety Center (5770 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento).

The deadline to apply is Friday, March 17, 2023.

Application Forms: Visit sacda.org – on the Homepage and under "In the Community." ★

Church Marks 100th Year



Carmichael's original Presbyterian Church rose on Marconi Avenue. The smaller building (left) housed Boy Scout meetings. Photo courtesy of Carmichael Presbyterian archive

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seen in the heart of the campus. Over the decades, Heritage Committee volunteers have diligently recorded and saved pieces of our history. Their work leaves us a lasting treasure."

Relics include old photos, toddler-sized Sunday school chairs, mid-century stained glass and a funky wooden donation box. A Celtic cross has special provenance: it was fashioned by famed Carmichael builder Drew Dickson, whose oak leaf carvings adorn sanctuary pulpits.

On campus, century-old olive trees recall the colony's pioneer orchards. Indeed, church records parallel local history. The faithful convened soon after Daniel Carmichael's remote township began. Farmers' wives began Sunday School classes in Carmichael Elementary. Uniting 14 denominations as Carmichael Community Church, 41 members soon organized a ministry. Formal affiliation as Presbyterians came in 1927 and a wooden church and steeple rose on donated Marconi Ave land.

Early members were a who's-who of the vintage colony. The Beutlers, Gibbons, Deweys, Dicksons, Clarks, Engels, Guns and Donovans filled the collection plate. During the Depression, church olive trees were harvested, and the fruit sold. When the Great Freeze destroyed hundreds of orchards in 1932, frozen water pipes flooded the church basement. The original building – whose bell could be heard from Mission Ave – served the Presbyterians till the early

1940s.

Wartime shortages of material and manpower determined the mission theme of their new home. Harvesting mud from church property, parishioners and their teenage kids constructed a new chapel across the road.

Naturalist Effie Yeaw taught Sunday School and donated a plaque that bears St Francis of Assisi's prayer. Community pillar and garage owner Glen Hughes and his wife exchanged wedding vows at the church altar. Carmichael's first librarian, Sarah Lott, sang in the choir.

Parish numbers jumped to 800 when Carmichael expanded after WWII. A large sanctuary building was commissioned and dedicated in 1951. The current congregation is almost 500, including 100 children and teens. Worship caters to all ages by blending traditional and contemporary worship styles.

Community outreach also stays in tune. The church houses a food closet and serves monthly hot meals for the poor. A winter respite program offers day refuge, with food and showers for the homeless. Teenage parishioners have established a community garden to contribute to the food closet.

"We reap the benefits of the love and service given by those who laid our foundations," says Pastor Keith DeVries. "We remain guided by Christ's commandment to love God and love our neighbors."

Learn about Carmichael Presbyterian services and centennial celebrations at www.carmichaelpres.org. ★

California Farm Bureau Reacts to Groundwater Decisions

California Farm Bureau Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - California Farm Bureau President Jamie Johansson responded to the California Department of Water Resources announcement on sustainability plans for the state's groundwater basins.

The agency recommended approval of plans for six California groundwater sub-basins. It declared six other plans to be "inadequate," which will result in a review by the State Water Resources Control Board.

"This action will trigger a process before the water board that will afford local agencies additional opportunities to address identified problems, regain control of their basins and, hopefully, avoid formal probationary status or the imposition of eventual state interim plans," Johansson said.

"Passage of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in the 2014 drought year was a seismic shift in California water," he said. "It was never

going to be easy to transition on a timeline of just 20 years to eliminate an estimated 2.5 million acre-feet of overdraft a year in our most impacted areas of the state. Historic droughts in recent years have also shown us that we can't simply continue as we have been, and that California must also invest in a more resilient, 21st-century water system."

Johansson added, "California Farm Bureau will work with state and local agencies, our county Farm Bureaus and our agricultural groundwater users on workable solutions to sustain healthy aquifers. Our groundwater supplies are critical for California farmers, including vegetable, fruit, nut, and dairy producers who account for much of America's food supply. It is important that California carefully consider solutions that protect both our aquifers and our food production."

The California Farm Bureau works to protect family farms and ranches on behalf of nearly 29,000 members statewide and as part of a nationwide network of 5.3 million Farm Bureau members. ★

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Eggstravaganza Returns to Sacramento Region

Northern California Hosts 31st Annual Decorated Egg Show and Sale

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - As the saying goes, "What's that got to do with the price of eggs?" Where art is involved, some eggs become almost "priceless".

It has been a few years, thanks to the chaos of Covid, since the Egg Show and Sale has been able to bring this wonderful art form to the region. This year will be its 31st show and sale.

The City of West Sacramento's Community Center will be the site for the phenomenal show this year.

Diana Macias, Show Director said in her release to the press "We are 'eggcited' to bring our free art exhibit to West Sacramento and offer the community the opportunity to see firsthand artwork created from real eggshells by artists traveling from all over the United States, teaching classes, displaying and selling art and the supplies to create our form of art."

Over the years we have worked with you on several community publications to get the word out to as many communities as possible inviting everyone to come out to the show and learn about this spectacular art form.

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about the Shriners Hospital for Children. Shriners volunteers will be at the event and will be available to provide information regarding their organization.

Egg Artists donate artwork that will be raffled with all proceeds benefiting the Shriners Hospital for Children.

This year will also feature a "learning table" for those who would like to learn how to make an egg art project for a nominal fee, also with the proceeds benefitting the Shriners. ★



Pictured here are some examples of the fantastic artwork to be seen at this year's show. Photos courtesy Diana Macias at www.norcaleggshow.com

Important Event Info

Northern California Eggstravaganza Egg Show & Sale
West Sacramento Community Center
1075 West Capitol Avenue
West Sacramento CA. 95691

March 23-24, 2023. Seminars.

Pre-registration required:

go to www.norcaleggshow.com

Facebook: Northern California Eggstravaganza

March 25th 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

(Open to the Public - Free admission)

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YK Chalamcherla Launches 2024 Campaign for Assembly District 7

From the Office of YK Chalamcherla

FOLSOM, CA (MPG) - On Sunday, March 5th, Folsom Vice-Mayor YK Chalamcherla kicked off his bid to run for State Assembly District 7 in 2024. YK is a highly respected City Councilmember in Folsom and received the most votes of any city council candidate when he was elected. YK's campaign has already received endorsements from community leaders Barbara O'Connor, Folsom Cordova Unified School Board Member Chris Clark, API community leader CC Yin, National Director of National American Indian Veterans Frank Ramirez, Persian Community Leader Moe Gholshani, Elk Grove School Board Member Sean Yang, and Indian-American community leader Bhaskar Vempati.* Over 75 supporters joined YK to celebrate his kick-off exactly one year to the day of the March 5, 2024 Primary.

YK has demonstrated strong fiscal credentials and experience balancing a government budget and maintaining a surplus each year he has served. He believes the spending of our tax dollars should be scrutinized and expenditures held to the highest standards. In Folsom, he spearheaded the revamping of the City's contract procurement process. The new process improves standards for awarding bids and saves taxpayer dollars.

"It is the duty of the Legislature to conduct oversight on how our hard-earned money is spent. Right now, we can do more," said YK. "As an Assemblymember, I will be a strong proponent for conducting more oversight and increasing transparency for how tax dollars are used."

YK is also focused on delivering solutions to the most pressing issues our community faces - confronting the homelessness crisis, creating jobs and growing the economy, and addressing climate change.

Regarding the increasingly difficult homelessness crisis, YK has a strong record of bringing local government and nonprofits to the table to make meaningful changes in the City of Folsom. "We need to start looking at results driven solutions so that the dollars we dedicate to this

community are efficiently and effectively put to use," said YK.

When he was elected to the Folsom City Council in November 2020, YK had already been in public service for 20 years. Prior to his election, he served as a Folsom Parks & Recreation Commissioner, an Arts and Cultural commissioner, a County-level board member for the American River Parkway Advisory Board, and as a Folsom Community Service Day Steering Committee member. In 2023, his peers on the City Council selected him to serve as the Vice-Mayor of the City.

In 2019, YK launched a Folsom-based IT firm. For more than ten years, he has partnered with the State to hold jobs awareness workshops, share public-sector job opportunities, and help others navigate the job application process. He has successfully helped hundreds of local residents find jobs.

YK believes in building community through service and leading by example. As an active volunteer in the region, YK earned the tagline "YK is always in the community" thanks to his avid volunteerism. He has a vested interest in kids, and spent over a decade with Folsom schools' PTA/PTSO boards, the HART of Folsom, Friends of Folsom, Friends of Folsom Parkways, and Powerhouse Ministries. He was named the "2022 Volunteer of the Year" by the Folsom Chamber of Commerce. YK is also a regional leader in APAPA, Asian Pacific Islander American Public Affairs Association, and has mentored countless high schoolers, offering internships and volunteer opportunities throughout the community.

Learn more about YK's background at www.YKforAssembly.com.

The 7th Assembly District is seen as the most competitive Assembly seat in the entire state. It includes the cities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, and Rancho Cordova, and the unincorporated communities of Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Foothill Farms, Gold River, Mather, McClellan Park, North Highlands, Orangevale, and Rosemont.

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