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## Alaskan Youth Mission Trip Changes Lives and Builds Relationships

By Richard Cable

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) – The Presbytery of Sacramento in cooperation with the Presbytery of Alaska sponsored a youth mission trip to Metlakatla, Alaska, August 1–10, 2013.

The Rev. Jeanie Shaw, pastor at River Valley Presbyterian Church in Rancho Cordova, led a 10-day trip to Alaska that was hosted by the Rev. Larry Emery, pastor of the Metlakatla Presbyterian Church on Annette Island, about 45 minutes south of Ketchikan, AK. The mission trip consisted of 16 youth and 13 adults from six Sacramento area churches: River Valley Presbyterian of Rancho Cordova; Northminster Presbyterian and Bethany Presbyterian of Sacramento; Auburn Presbyterian of Auburn; Woodland Presbyterian of Woodland; and St. Andrew Presbyterian of Yuba City.

Metlakatla is a Tsimshian native village on the island of Annette, off the southeastern most part of Alaska. It is the only native Reservation in Alaska. Metlakatla comes from the Tsimshian word meaning “Salt Water Passage” and was named after another village of the same name in British Columbia, Canada.

In 1886, the Rev. William Duncan, an Anglican minister serving in Old Metlakatla, was disheartened by the vices brought in by traders that he deemed harmful to his congregation. So he and close to 1000 devoted Tsimshian followers decided to leave Metlakatla. Duncan went to Washington, D.C. and asked the U.S. government to give his group land in Alaska. The U.S. gave them Annette, an island with a calm bay, accessible



Sacramento Presbytery's Vacation Bible School's theme “Superheroes from the Bible” was supported by comic book superheroes (front row) Timmy Voet of River Valley, Hunter Middlekauff of Northminster, (middle row) Rocco Cable of River Valley, Canaan Gresham of St. Andrew, and (back) Rev. Hayes Noble of St. Andrew.

beach, a nearby waterfall, and abundant fishing. Duncan and his followers canoed nearly 60 miles across open sea to their new island home. They named the village New Metlakatla. Duncan then lobbied the U.S. Congress to establish Annette Island as an Indian reservation and it was granted in 1891. Today, it is the only Indian Reservation in the State of Alaska.

The Sacramento Presbytery team left with the dream of seeing Alaska and the hope of

learning about the Tsimshian culture and community through cultural exchange, hard work, fellowship, and prayer. The team flew to Ketchikan, Alaska to join the Metlakatla youth who had ferried to Ketchikan to greet them. While in Ketchikan, the team was treated to a day of ziplining through the rainforest and a day touring local attractions such as the Totem Heritage Center.

The Sacramento Presbytery team was fortunate to arrive in

Metlakatla during its annual Founder's Day celebration. This year marked the first time that both Canadian and Alaskan Tsimshian chiefs and youth together re-enacted the historic 60-mile canoe trek from Old Metlakatla, British Columbia to New Metlakatla in Alaska. The day-long celebration also included traditional singing, dancing and beautiful displays of native regalia.

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## GMY Phone Scam Dials in on Older Adults

**BBB warns to never  
give out bank account  
numbers to callers**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Better Business Bureau Serving Northeast California warns older adults to hang up on phone calls claiming to be from a company calling itself GMY after an Elk Grove woman received several phone calls from the company requesting bank account information.

The Elk Grove woman grew suspicious of phone calls her elderly mother was receiving as early as 6 a.m. when she intervened in the communication.

“When I got on the phone, they tried to convince me my mother would be receiving a card to pay for her medical care,” said the woman. “They went on to ask for her bank account numbers. I wouldn't give them any information when they refused to tell me their phone number or company name.”

The woman eventually spoke to someone identified as a supervisor who told her the company name was GMY. Consumers from across the country have reported similar scams in which the same company name is utilized. In other calls, the company may claim to be working with Medicare to issue new cards.

“It doesn't matter who claims to be on the phone; do not give unsolicited callers your bank account or social security numbers,” said Gary Almond, president of BBB Serving Northeast California. “Always make sure you are speaking with a trustworthy person and business before taking the conversation any further.”

To avoid this and similar scams, BBB offers the following tips:

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## First City Manager to Retire in January

By Julie Parker

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) – “Ted's tenure here in Rancho Cordova has been tremendously beneficial to the residents of our fine city. We have established an innovative, efficient and award-winning local government in partnership with our citizens under Ted's leadership. I sincerely doubt that we could have been as successful with any other manager. Ted is one-of-a-kind, and we will be forever indebted to him for his massive contributions to our city.”

- David Sander, City Council Member

Ted Gaebler, Rancho Cordova's first City Manager, will retire in January 2014, following a decade of service to the City and 50 years of public service. Under his leadership, Rancho Cordova has achieved an 88% approval rating and a high degree of support from its citizens.

“There are no complainers, no petitions, and no gadflies at council meetings,” said Gaebler. “We have done a really good job of building a city government that is responsive to the community.”

Although Ohio is Gaebler's home state, he briefly spent time at Berkeley under a leadership program for students aged 17-23, as the second youngest student on campus. He later graduated from Miami

University in Oxford, where he met his wife, Bonne, on the first day of school. They recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Thereafter, he spent more than 20 years as an appointed government official in Oregon, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, as well as California. He owned a government consulting company in San Rafael for 13 years, and served as Vice President for Business Development for ACS. In 2000, he became the CEO for Nevada County.

“My first professional years were in the tumultuous 1960s, when people were changing things by riots and burning down cities. I thought, ‘There must be some way that somebody with a managerial background can change government peacefully from within.’ So, I tried to make sure I always focused on helping my work force change.”

He earned a Master's Degree in Government Administration from the Wharton Graduate School of Business, and studied the best practices performed in this country and around the world.

Gaebler co-authored the 1992 publication, “Reinventing Government: How the Entrepreneurial Spirit is Transforming the Public Sector” (<http://tinyurl.com/lrvzsv>). It rose to number



Rancho Cordova's first City Manager, Ted Gaebler. Photo courtesy of City of Rancho Cordova

6 on the New York Times Bestseller List and was translated into 22 different languages. From 1993 to 1999, he was invited to speak in 39 countries. The book continues to have a huge impact on the way people perceive government management.

After leaving Nevada County, and while briefly serving as the interim City Manager for East Palo Alto, Rancho Cordova invited him to serve as their first

city manager.

“They wanted somebody who deeply and thoroughly understood county government, had new town experience, had served in a Central Valley city – in my case, Visalia – and was a senior in the business who could teach the council and staff about what professional management could do and what the partnership between a professional manager and local elected officials could be like.”

He's particularly proud of the centrally located building, which sits in the middle of a business park, so people perceive the city government as a business. It's also home to the Chamber of Commerce, Recreation and Park District, Assemblyman Ken Cooley and a private business. “There's no excuse to be late for a meeting.”

Last fall, on its annual Best Small & Medium Workplaces list (recognizing companies with exceptional workplace cultures), Fortune magazine's Great Place to Work® placed Rancho Cordova 12th of 25 best small workplaces in the United States. In fact, it was the first local government agency to appear on the list.

If he could offer a few words to the next city manager, they would be, “Continue

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# Local Man Wins Championship in Cowboy Action Shooting



Don Pergande of Rancho Cordova performs scenario cowboy action shooting during a recent competition. Each scenario features situations that may be based on old west history or western movie scenes, in which the shooters test their timing and accuracy against steel targets. Photo courtesy Pancho Sin Lefty

Story by Freelance Journalist Margaret Snider

RANCHO CORDOVA, Ca (MPG) - Cowboy action shooter Don Pergande of Rancho Cordova has won the championship for the SASS Western Regional competition in the Cattle Baron category. The event took place in Chorro Valley, San Luis Obispo, Aug. 7-11, and this is the third consecutive year he has won that prize.

SASS, the Single Action Shooting Society, foremost in Cowboy Action Shooting, is interested in preserving the history of the Old West through competitive scenario target shooting. They participate in the "spirit of the game" by wearing clothing consistent with the late 1800s and selecting an alias to illustrate their Old West identity.

After retiring from the U.S. Postal Service in 1992, Pergande and his wife moved to Magalia in Northern California. A friend invited him to the Redding Gun Club to watch target shooting, and his interest continued to grow. He practiced diligently, joined SASS, and picked out his alias of De Sabla Don, after Eugene De Sabla, 1903 Butte County hydroelectric plant construction supervisor.

In 2007, Pergande signed up for his first official match, a big one in Susanville, at the age of 70. "I had a lot of trouble with [my rifle] and I was brand new and didn't know quite what I

was doing," Pergande said. "Even with all those problems I was good enough to take first place in my category, the first match I went to, and I was really kind of thrilled about that."

Pergande was into motorcycles all his life and at that time had a Harley, only a year and a half old. Driving home from Susanville after that shoot, something just clicked, and after being involved with motorcycles for 54 years, he sold his Harley to a friend and turned to Cowboy Action Shooting.

Since his first win, in 69 matches Pergande has racked up 32 first place awards, 15 second, 8 third, 1 fourth and 7 fifth place.

"All of our shooting is done against a clock," said Pergande, "as fast as you can do it, without missing the target."

One of Pergande's compatriots, known by the alias of Pancho Sin Lefty, said that when he started out in the game, he would see Pergande scoring high every time. "An older shooter," Lefty said, "is not usually at the top of the list, as the younger folks can move faster and have better eyes."

He began following Pergande's lead, buying the same kind of guns, AND watching how he worked.

"I've been copying everything that he does: what he shoots and how he shoots and he's very



Rancho Cordova resident Don Pergande, alias De Sabla Don, won the cowboy action shooting championship in his category in the SASS Chorro Valley Western Regional shoot-out in San Luis Obispo. Photo by Margaret Snider

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By Rancho Cordova Resident Bob McGarvey

When in line at the grocery store or movie theater or boarding a plane, we wait until we are told "next." We are working on year number 11 of our City's history and the "next" thing(s) we are working on are the entertainment center, another road into Mather, the Veterans Village at Mather, and gathering names of Rancho Cordova Veterans... NEXT! The theoretical line in life never ends. Waiting to hear our turn to be "next" is the hardest part of all.

We are all living a story. When you are living the story, you don't have time to refine the details or give it the colors you think it

**Next!**

should have, or be brave and heroic and strong and say the words when they needed to be said. Finding something to eat, sleeping, changing clothes or going from one place to another is not exciting or inspiring. Life can often be slow, dull and repetitious.

All of us have arrived at a moment when we wish we had done or said something different. It is much easier to write about different parts of your story with a pen and paper than it was when you were living it. Reading about our own history may mean more to us than it may mean to people who are just beginning to write their own history. But be as accurate as you can about your own story. It can be quite a surprise if you find out how much your history can teach some people you would never think of.

History is being rewritten in some (not all) textbooks. Writers of politically correct textbooks may say with pen and paper what happened in history. What they are really writing is how history

should have happened. History isn't fast, furious and fleeting, even though looking back it may seem like it was. Nor does it always happen the way we had hoped or we wish it had actually turned out.

Peace is another part of history that is defined quite differently at different times and places. What peace may mean to some people is calm and friendship at home or friendship between countries with no war. In some countries, it means doing what you are told and not questioning or criticizing. There is no "next" in that kind of country.

President Ronald Reagan said, "All of us denounce war. All of us consider it man's greatest stupidity. And yet wars happen and they involve the greatest lovers of peace because there are still barbarians in the world who set the price for peace at death or enslavement. And the price is too high."

From Councilman Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see you next time.

**Governor Brown Signs 5 Bills Authored by Assemblyman Cooley Today**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On Wednesday, August 28th, Assemblyman Ken Cooley announced that Governor Jerry Brown, in one day, signed into law five bills he authored this year: AB 117, AB 918, AB 1030, AB 1248 and AB 1289.

"My bill package this year has focused on a variety of issues that make government more accountable, relieve some of the bureaucracy, and focus on the quality of life policies that matter to my constituents," said Cooley. "We have a great system, but we all know it needs improvements. Really, I have focused on making what we have better."

AB 117 is a taxpayer protection measure to improve state agency efficiency and administration by requiring the Department of Finance to issue training and reporting guidelines for the professionalization of independent monitors. When the independent monitor requirement

was added as a taxpayer protection in 2011, it was one of the most important safeguards added to the state's basic fiscal administration law in almost 30 years.

AB 1248 is a companion taxpayer protection bill authorizing the State Controller to work with local governments and stakeholders to develop best practice internal controls designed to prevent and detect financial errors and fraud in local government agencies.

AB 1030 saves California Community College Districts time and money by allowing the option for student association leaders to appoint a trustee to the governing board for the balance of the term, to ensure a student voice in decision making. If a student trustee seat becomes vacant during the term, this bill now allows an appointment instead of holding a midterm election.

AB 918 increases the safety of seniors and functional needs

persons in an emergency or natural disaster by directing the Office of Emergency Services to include in the State Emergency Plan best practice procedures regarding emergency and evacuation procedures.

"As the most populous state in the nation, it's important that we be ready to respond to emergencies and natural disasters as quickly as possible," said Cooley. "In those situations, we must not forget about our senior citizens and people with disabilities. In recent disasters elsewhere in the nation, these people have been overlooked in the wake of a crisis, and that is not acceptable."

Finally, Governor Brown signed Assemblyman Cooley's AB 1289, designating the California Vietnam Veterans Memorial, next to the Capitol Park Rose Garden, as the official state Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

Source: Office of Ken Cooley

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Sacramento Presbytery and Alaska Presbytery met on the steps of the Metlakatla Presbyterian Church steps.

## Alaskan Youth Mission Trip

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"Our team was invited to witness this special celebration, and we served their community by running many of the Founder's Day games," notes Rev. Shaw. "We were treated to a potlatch - a traditional feast and gift-giving festival practiced by the Tsimshian people for generations - and dined on traditional dishes of salmon, halibut, crab, deer stew, salmon egg soup and fry bread. But the highlight for us all," she added, "was experiencing the extraordinary Tsimshian people."

During the visit, our youth team ran a Vacation Bible School for the youth of Metlakatla. The theme was Superheroes of the Bible and was supported by costumed youth dressed as Captain America, Superman and Flash. Our contractor, Northminster's Don Havis, entered the Superhero

pantheon as "Handyman," and achieved superhero status with his construction accomplishments and that of his youth superhero workers. Mission work projects included clearing and preparing a vacant lot that turned a trash dump into a functioning parking area for the community, cleaning out the attic, fixing the floors, railings and stairways, repairing plumbing, and removing an old cast iron stove from the almost 100-year-old Metlakatla Presbyterian Church.

It was a transformative experience for all involved. For 10 days, children went without computers, iPods and cell phones and focused their energy instead on direct personal communication; urban sophisticates met with remote fisherman; fast food aficionados dined on salmon and halibut and loved it; reluctant local children became advocates and chose to sleep on the church floor with their

new Sacramento friends.

"Every day of our trip brought more and more youth from the island," noted Camille Cable, an adult leader from River Valley Presbyterian. "Even after our return to Sacramento, friendships continued with Alaskan and Sacramento youths exchanging texts and promising to keep in touch. We can't wait to go back."

Rev. Emery couldn't have been more pleased at the outcome of this cultural exchange. He is already planning a trip to Sacramento with the youth of his congregation. The success of the mission trip may open the door to other youth mission trips from around the country. "But I'm reserving Founder's Day for our Sacramento friends and we welcome the Presbytery of Sacramento to come back every year for this special occasion."

## First City Manager to Retire

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to focus on the culture of the employees and citizens so they continue to blend well and do good things. Focus on getting better city boundaries. They were politically derived in the winter of 2002 and are terrible. Better boundaries would provide better circulation on future services and benefits."

Gaebler will not be resting on his retirement laurels. He will continue to stay involved with the California Capital

Airshow, Rotary International and other community programs. Additionally, he and Bonne plan to travel the world and, in this country, complete their goal of visiting all 32 NBA venues (eight have been checked off).

"My wife also thinks I need to take two or three years and clean out my two garages. She knows there is a 1968 Salem, Oregon budget that I put together somewhere, and it's probably time to throw it in the trash."

## GMY Phone Scam

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## Dallas Brass to Play in Folsom

Cordova High School Band Members Perform

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA - (MPG) The Cordova High School Band has been invited to perform with the world famous Dallas Brass at 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 15, 2013, at the Harris Center/Three Stages Theater in Folsom. The band will play a rousing patriotic tribute on stage with the Dallas Brass to open the second half of the program. After performing, the band will then return to their seats to enjoy the rest of the program.

Since its founding in 1983 by Michael Levine, Dallas Brass has become one of America's foremost musical ensembles. The group has established a unique blend of traditional brass instruments, including two trumpets, trombone, tuba and French horn with a full complement of drums and percussion. The Dallas Brass' extensive repertoire ranges from classical to Dixieland, swing to Broadway, and Hollywood to patriotic.

According to Mr. Levine, "a Dallas Brass concert is intended for the entire family. Our ideal audience has a range in ages from 5 to 95. Our goal is to entertain and enrich by playing great music, while showing our audience how much we enjoy what we do."

In addition to their solo engagements, the Dallas Brass has appeared with symphony orchestras nationwide. Symphonic credits include the New York Pops, Cincinnati Pops and the Philly Pops. They have been featured at Carnegie Hall,



The Dallas Brass band has become one of America's foremost musical ensembles.

the Kennedy Center, have toured overseas to Europe and the Far East, and have shared the stage with the late Bob Hope, and have performed for Presidents Gerald Ford and George H. W. Bush, and have appeared on the CBS's The Early Show.

The ensemble has released six recordings: Debut, Dallas Brass II, A Merry Christmas with Brass, Windborne, Nutcracker and American Musical Journey. The Dallas Brass has a strong dedication to working with young musicians, frequently going into the public schools to present clinics and workshops for students of all ages.

The Dallas Brass' passion for music today is a direct result of the band directors, private teachers, and professional performers, who inspired them along the way. As a way of giving back and reaching young musicians, the Dallas Brass created an outreach program,

"Music in the Schools." With the hope of contributing to the development of a lifelong love and appreciation of music and the arts, this outreach program brings Dallas Brass together with local music students for an experience on stage that is both educational and inspirational for the students and gratifying to the audience.

This program is sponsored by the Folsom Lake Community Concert Association. Tickets may be purchased by calling 916-608-6888, on-line at www.harriscenter.net, or by visiting Ticket Office, 10 College Parkway in Folsom. The Ticket Office is open Mon through Sat 10 AM to 6 PM. Ticket price range \$24-\$34, with premium tickets at \$39. A discount of 15% is given for groups of 15 or more.

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## HULU EXPANDS THE TV UNIVERSE WITH NEW ORIGINAL SERIES

Muscleman (Ike Barinholtz), Prock puts together a team of D-list superheroes, trying to keep federal funding for his outfit.

"The Awesomes," though it has its moments of comic amusement, is not particularly awesome, but that's because there's not enough inspired lunacy to distinguish this series from the standard animated superhero fare found on any number of similar shows on cable channels.

There's an argument to be made that there is nothing original on TV anymore. Everything is derivative, or so it often seems. A case in point is Hulu's "Quick Draw," a comedic half-hour western set in 1875 that centers on a Harvard-educated sheriff and his quest to introduce the emerging science of forensics to an unruly Kansas town.

In the early days of the FOX network, a series called "The Adventures of Brisco County, Jr." starred Bruce Campbell as a Harvard-educated lawyer-turned-bounty hunter who was hired to capture an outlaw's gang. Humor was a big part of the show.

Similarly, "Quick Draw" is campy and cheeky, with John Lehr's Sheriff Hoyle constantly reminding the unimpressed yokels that he was educated at an elite school. He has no compunction about feeling intellectually superior, boasting that he graduated 327th in his class.

The citizens of Great Bend, Kansas include the brassy blonde owner (Allison Dunbar) of the town's brothel, who runs an odds-making wager line on when the new sheriff will meet an untimely death.

Sheriff Hoyle also boasts of getting a B-plus in sharp shooting at Harvard, which he says is an actually an A anywhere else. Meanwhile, he's assisted by reluctant Deputy Eli (Nick Brown) to hunt down Cole Younger and his murderous gang.

Have you ever wondered about the person inside a mascot's uniform, whether at a high school game or in pro sports? Well, later this fall, "Behind the Mask" takes viewers on a behind-the-scenes adventure into the colorful world of sports mascots.

The series focuses on four mascots: Lebanon High School's Rooty the Cedar Tree, UNLV's Hey Reb, minor league hockey mascot Tux the Penguin, and NBA mascot Bango of the Milwaukee Bucks.

"Behind the Mask" tells the moving stories of these real-life Clark Kents, capturing their highs and lows, both inside the suit at games and outside the uniform at home and regular life. The tales are funny, entertaining and at times poignant.

A lot of Hulu's original programming comes from the United Kingdom. One show produced by the BBC that looks very promising is "The Wrong Mans," centered on two lowly office workers caught up in a deadly criminal conspiracy. By the way, it is a comedy with a twisted sensibility.

Part of the appeal of this show is that one of the main characters is played by James Corden, a truly gifted comedian. I had the great pleasure of seeing him as the leading man in the Broadway show "One Man, Two Guvnors," arguably one of the funniest stage productions ever. Corden won the Tony Award for best actor in that show.

In "The Wrong Mans," Mathew Baynton's Sam discovers a ringing phone at the scene of a horrific car crash. Answering the phone turns his world upside down, as he and Phil (Corden) soon realize it's up to them to save the day.

Sam and Phil are in the wrong place at the wrong time, with the wrong skills to get involved in sleuthing. Now you know why the show is called "The Wrong Mans," a comedy that seems ever so right.

Several other new programs are on the horizon for Hulu. "Mother Up!" stars Eva Longoria as a disgraced former music exec who transitions from the towers of Manhattan to the carpool lane of suburbia.

I'd like to tell you more about "Mother Up!" and a slew of other new series, but Hulu has not yet provided screeners for review. Nevertheless, there may be a few good reasons to check out Hulu for more than just the next-day airing of TV programs.

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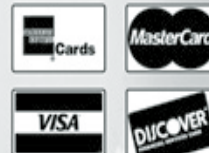
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**ACROSS**

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13. Single-cell protozoan
14. Similar to ostrich but in Australia
15. Dugout vessel
16. Wealthy one who made fortune in Orient
17. Dashboard acronym
18. Bring upon oneself
19. "Eat \_\_\_\_ pie
21. "To kick this is to expire
23. "Busy as a \_\_\_\_
24. Female version of #6
25. Mountain basin
28. Forbidden fruit, e.g.
30. Ready to be assembled
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39. Give a speech
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41. Often goes with "flowed"

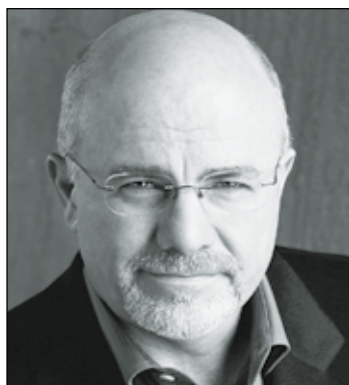
**DOWN**

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5. Rectangular groove joint
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7. Mischief-maker
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9. "It did this like a stone
10. "Shame on you for fooling me \_\_\_\_
11. Sad grimace
12. \_\_\_\_ Royal Highness
15. Famous Roman orator
20. Depart
22. Strike caller
24. Most foolish
25. "Boasters beat this
26. Mad one
27. Rice wine
29. "Don't throw this out with bathwater
31. "zoic" periods

**32. Travesty**

33. It included Mr. T
34. "Spill them to reveal a secret
36. Regrets
38. Bog deposit
42. "\_\_\_\_ queen
45. Dictator's order
49. A Spike \_\_\_\_ joint
51. "Bite this to endure an unpleasant situation
54. Blabber
56. "No guts, no \_\_\_\_
57. "Saving device
58. Carbamide
59. "Happens to your tongue when speechless?"
60. Huge or large
61. The conscious mind, pl.
62. One of many errands
63. Roald Dahl's "The \_\_\_\_"
65. "Tongue stealer
67. John McCain, e.g.

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### Bankruptcy Just For Her?

Dear Dave,  
My husband and I would like to buy a home in the next year or so. My credit is in pretty bad shape, so we've decided to work on getting his credit in better shape in order to qualify for a mortgage loan. I have \$104,000 in debt, and \$92,000 of that is in student loans. He has \$13,000 in debt, with \$7,000 of that a repossession on a car for which he was a co-signer. Can I file bankruptcy on my debts only?  
- Latrell

Dear Latrell,

You can't file bankruptcy on certain, specific items. By the way, student loans are not bankruptable. Even if you filed, you would still have all that debt hanging around your neck. I want you to own a home, but I don't want your home to own you. Neither one of you have done very well with money so far, and at this point I'm afraid a house would be a curse instead of a blessing in your lives. I would encourage you to build a stronger financial foundation before you buy a house. In short, this means you need to get out of debt, save money, and start living on a budget. Latrell, buying a house when you're broke and deeply in debt is never a good idea. I'm not trying to be mean, but I really think you're asking the wrong question. I don't want you

# Dave Says

to try and use bankruptcy as some kind of escape from this situation. Right now, I want you to change your behavior with money and get things cleaned up with a good, organized financial plan in your lives.  
- Dave

### The Ever-Changing Budget

Dear Dave,  
Should a budget change every month?  
- Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,  
Yes, it should. Your life changes every month, and your budget should reflect the ebb and flow of your life.

Now, some things will stay the same. Your house payment or rent should fall into this category. If you have a car payment, which I hope you don't, that would be the same too. There shouldn't be a big difference in the amount you spend on food most months though. You might spend more in this category during November and December thanks to the holidays, but overall it should remain pretty steady.

The biggest fluctuation you may see is in your utilities. I heat my house with natural gas, so the bill is much higher during the winter months. It's just the opposite during the summer. We burn electricity to run the air

conditioner, so the electric bill is higher in summer.  
This is part of the reason I urge people to do a budget on paper, on purpose before the next month begins. You may look at the upcoming month and realize the kids have soccer pictures scheduled. There may be a school trip planned, or they may need back-to-school clothes and supplies.  
When it comes to a budget, there's no easy out. Things change from month to month, and you need to think, plan ahead, and itemize so your budget is an accurate reflection of your life!  
- Dave

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-04652. Cochran Agency of California, Inc., 1551 N. Tustin Avenue, No. 470, Santa Ana, CA 92705 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "ProWest Insurance Services" at 950 Glenn Dr., Ste., 270, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on June 7, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. PROWEST 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06028. Iqbal Singh Dhillon, 2210 Wild Plains Cir., Rocklin, CA 95765 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Iqbal Singh Dhillon DBA Subway No. 58523" at 10075 Bruceville Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 29, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. IQBALD 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05985. Daniel Garrott, 1064 Sand Bar Cir., Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Green Tec Kitchens" at 1064 Sand Bar Cir., Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 25, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. GREENT 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05980. Estella Pacheco, 3930 Tarmigan Dr., No. 409, Antelope, CA 95843 and Vanessa Pacheco, 3739 Black Eagle Dr., Antelope, CA 95843 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Crystal Clear Cleaning Service" at 3930 Tarmigan Dr., No. 409, Antelope, CA 95843 and . Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 25, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. CRYSTAL 130801 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05937. James Roughton, 5900 Oakbrook Dr., Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Classic Painting and Decorating" at 5900 Oakbrook Dr., Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 23, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. CLASSIC 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05956. William Ferrari, 725 30th St., No. 200, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "USA Fabrics" at 8200 Berry Ave., Ste. 100, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 24, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. USAFAB 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06035. Carl Rumberger, 3540 William Way, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Performance Dynamics" at 3540 William Way, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 29, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. PERFOR 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06009. Jenny Vassilian, DDS, Professional Corporation, 2831 J St., Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Midtown Dental" at 2831 J St., Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 26, 2013. Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. MIDTOWN 130804 8-28-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05482. Nicole Germano, 5841 Pioneer Way, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Nic' Of Time Mobile Notary" at 5841 Pioneer Way, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 5, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. NICOFT 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06237. Willie J. Green, 6720 Rancho Pico Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "William-Couture" at 6720 Rancho Pico Way, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on Aug. 5, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. JWILL 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06006. Jesus C. Mendoza, 9055 Canberra Dr., Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Home Forward Real Estate" at 9055 Canberra Dr., Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 26, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. HOMEFO 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06260. Joyce Security Systems, Inc., a California Corporation, 3437 Myrtle Ave., Suite 375 N. Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Performance Products Co." at 3437 Myrtle Ave., Suite 375 N. Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. PERFOR 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06257. Max Lids, Inc., 850 E. Bidwell St., No. 145, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Great Harvest Bread Co." at 850 E. Bidwell St., No. 145, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. MAXLIDS 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06076. Oshima Sushi, Inc., 2071 Natomas Crossing Dr., Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Oshima Sushi" at 2071 Natomas Crossing Dr., Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 30, 2013. Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. OSHIMA 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06266. Terry Harold Neeley III, 8182 Sundance Dr., Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Pinnacle Landscape Development" at 8182 Sundance Dr., Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. PINNAC 130901 9-04-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06371. Michael Horrell, 1060 41st St., Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Apollo Real Estate Group" at 1060 41st St., Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 8, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. APOLLO 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06381. Daniel A. Maczko, 9051 Bramble Trail Way, Sacramento, 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Bamco" at 9051 Bramble Trail Way, Sacramento, 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 8, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. BAMCO 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06419. Tamika December Edwards, 2031 Wright St., Apt. 10, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Miko Ward Dance Studio" at 2730 Arden Way, No. 13, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 9, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. MIKOWA 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06382. Kimberly Haines, 7867 La Rivera Dr., Apt. 152, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Pampered Pet Salon and Boutique" at 6610 Folsom-Auburn Rd., Ste. 10, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 8, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. PAMPPE 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06173. Anthony Raymond Vasselli, 4108 California Ave., Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Ray Vas" at 4108 California Ave., Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 1, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. RAYVAS 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06372. Red Door Realty Inc., 1060 41st St., Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Red Door Servicing Company" at 1060 41st St., Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 8, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. REDDOOR 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-02905. Nina Burnsides, 8345 Yermo Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Soul Legacy Entertainment" at 4350 Pell Dr., Ste. 47, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on April 8, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. SOULLE 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06163. Jessica Singer, 6830 Walerga Rd., No. 87, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Swept A-Way Housekeeping" at 6830 Walerga Rd., No. 87, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 1, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. SWEPTA 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06352. Randall R. Huleva and Tamra L. Huleva, 6225 Oak Valley Ln., Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Your Virtual Small Office" at 6225 Oak Valley Ln., Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 1, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. YOURVI 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06469. Jesus Barragan Nunez, 5525 Cedar Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Chuy-S Landscaping Service" at 5525 Cedar Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 13, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. CHUY-S 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06273. Krystina Kalapothakos, 4933 Kenneth Ave., Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Kouzounas Kitchen" at 4933 Kenneth Ave., Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. KOUZOU 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06529. Ronald K. Coe, 2013 Benita Dr., No. 2, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Aaron M. Powers" at 2013 Benita Dr., No. 2, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 14, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. AARONM 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06457. Marlene Belasco, 446 Mariner Point Way, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "MBR Enterprises and MBR Consulting" at 446 Mariner Point Way, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 13, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. MBRENT 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06222. Amandeep Jhal, 8240 Grisham Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Smoke Shop" at 1441 Meadowview Rd., Ste. 106, Sacramento, CA 95832. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 5, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. SMOKES 130902 9-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06271. Cindy Tran, 8656 West Wing Dr., Elk Grove, CA 95758 and Xuan Tran Reid, 4070 Archeon Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Top Nails" at 6668 Valley Hi Dr., Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. TOPNAIL 130902 9-11-13



FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06172. Bryant Otter, 6970 Pampas Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "A Autos Driving School" at 6970 Pampas Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 1, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. AAUTOD 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06641. Alda Mae Gray, 6910 Rawley Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "All Ago Travel" at 6910 Rawley Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 19, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. ALLAGO 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06722. Keisha Nicole Green, 3 Sego Ct., Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Basking in Baskets" at 3 Sego Ct., Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 21, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. BASKING 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06186. Noonya F. Mamoor, 4903 Alterra Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Christian Montessori School" at 1827 Markston Rd., Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 2, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. CHRIS 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06024. Abraham Mithandazo Nyoka, 9435 Soaring Oaks Dr., Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "ComServe" at 9435 Soaring Oaks Dr., Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 29, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. COMSER 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06265. David Welborn, 7561 Kilamey Lane, No. 258, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Driven Venture" at 7561 Kilamey Lane, No. 258, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. DRIVEN 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06656. David Schmidt and Deborah Schmidt, 5147 Ridgedale Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Focused Business Solutions" at 5147 Ridgedale Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 19, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. FOCUS 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06537. Robert Vick, 1797 San Leandro Ct., Las Cruces, NM 88005 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Hazel Mini Stor" at 6108 Hazel Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 15, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. HAZELM 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06317. Karuna Xela Diggins, 3301 O'Farrell Dr., Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "KDesigns" at 3301 O'Farrell Dr., Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 7, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. KDESIGN 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06246. Rachel Pool, 1523 Hood Rd., No. A, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Mrs. Dance Floors" at 1523 Hood Rd., No. A, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 5, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. MRSDAN 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06626. Duc V. Nguyen, 1060 Thornhill Ln., Lincoln, CA 95648 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Phoenix Nails" at 3535 Elverta Rd., Ste. D, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on August 19, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. PHOENIX 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06100. Romanian Group Holdings LLC, 5848 Gibbons Dr., Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Romanian Investment Group 1" at 5848 Gibbons Dr., Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 31, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. ROMANI 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-06025. Steven Pagano, 241 N. 10th St., No. 6, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "StevenPagano.Com" at 241 N. 10th St., No. 6, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 29, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. PAGANO 130903 9-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-05965. Yong Huo Li and Neng Li, 7012 Hogan Dr., Sacramento, CA 95822 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Yong Hou Li and Neng Li, Gen Pfr" at 7465 Rush River Dr., Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 24, 2013. Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. YONGHUO 130903 9-18-13

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME #FBNF2011-01670. The following person(s) have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME OF Q & V Nails, 6668 Valley Hi Dr., Sacramento, CA 95823. Cindy Tran, 8656 West Wing Dr., Elk Grove, CA 95758 and Xuan Tran Reid, 4070 Archeon Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on February 22, 2011 in the County of Sacramento. Abandonment filed with the Clerk of Sacramento on August 6, 2013. Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. Q&VNAILS 130902 9-11-13

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00147766

WHEREAS, Melinda Anne Ioanidis has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Melinda Anne Ioanidis to Melinda Anne Livermore Ioanidis. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on September 20, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: July 31, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. IOANID 130804 8-28-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00147761

WHEREAS, Kathleen Marie Parlington has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Kathleen Marie Parlington to Jack Parlington. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on September 20, 2013, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: July 31, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013. PARTIN 130804 8-28-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00145801

WHEREAS, Cipriana Harry and Derek Anderson have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Mason Maximilian Anderson to Mason Lee Anderson. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on September 13, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: July 24, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. CHARRY 130901 9-04-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00147725

WHEREAS, Gurjit Kaur has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Amiraj Kailay to Amar Kailay and Gurjit Kaur to Gurbir Kaur. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on September 20, 2013, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: July 31, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. GURJIT 130901 9-04-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00148275

WHEREAS, Tamer Emerick Mostafa has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Tamer Emerick Mostafa to Tamer Said Mostafa. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on September 25, 2013, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: August 7, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 2013. MOSTAF 130901 9-04-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00148248

WHEREAS, Katrina B. Sale has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Katrina Belle Sale to Katrina Belle Feld. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on September 25, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: August 7, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. MOSTAF 130902 9-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00148764

WHEREAS, De Andre Rashad Brown has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of DeAndre Rashad Brown to DeAndre Jules Rashad. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on October 3, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: August 14, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. DEANDRE 130902 9-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00147280

WHEREAS, Jamie Hicks has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Lillian Elaine Bryant to Lillian Elaine Hicks. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on September 13, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: July 24, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 2013. JHICKS 130902 9-11-13

ERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00149194

WHEREAS, Betsy Carol Milberg has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Betsy Carol Milberg to Betsy Carol Tellock. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on October 15, 2013, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: August 21, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: August 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2013. MILBERG 130903 9-18-13

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# Sierra Club Opposes Peripheral Tunnels Through the Delta

By Carol Bogart  
Reporter, West Sacramento

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) — West Sacramento is the Delta's northernmost city by boundary, says West Sacramento Mayor Christopher Cabaldon. The city's drinking water is drawn from the Sacramento River. Lois Wolk (D-Davis), whose California Senate District included West Sacramento pre-redistricting, is proposing an alternate plan for conveying fresh water from northern California to Southern California. She has said she does not support the peripheral tunnels plan as proposed by Governor Jerry Brown. That plan calls for pumping more Sacramento River water through the Delta. Wildlife advocates, such as California Fish & Wildlife, worry how that will impact both the river, and the Delta's fragile ecosystem.

**This just in (Saturday, Aug. 24) from the Sierra Club:**

Dear Carol:  
Something strange happened recently during the state's march to build a pair of peripheral tunnels around the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The tunnel proponents moved the tunnels.



The Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Photo Courtesy CDFW



A Sandhill Crane nesting site in the Delta will be disrupted by Governor Jerry Brown's plan for delivering more Sacramento River water to southern California, says the Sierra Club in its just-released opposition to the plan. Photo by Jim Dunn/CDFW

With a certain amount of fanfare and one of those press-only press conferences, Secretary of Resources John Laird announced that the administration now proposes to move the pathway for

the big tunnels that will draw river water from above the Delta and deliver it to south of the Delta.

The move would push the tunnels eastward and away from at least one farm still in production. Now the tunnels would run through Stanton Island — active feeding and resting space for Sandhill Cranes.

That crane space happens to be owned by The Nature Conservancy (TNC), the first environmental group to embrace the peripheral tunnels as a grand solution for the Delta. That embrace, by the way, came a few years ago, long before any details, including the environmental assessment of the proposed tunnels, were available.

Stanton Island will be a crane resort no more once the digging begins for the twin tunnels. Those tunnels are four stories high and, together, capable of moving water at the rate of 9000 cubic feet per second.

People, including the administration's water experts, have assumed for quite some time that Sierra Club has been officially opposed to the Delta tunnels. Make no mistake; we want something to be done to stop the Delta's ecosystem crash. It's the largest estuary along the west coast of North and South America. It's a

key link to environmental health in our state and beyond. But until very recently, despite our open criticism of the proposed project, we haven't taken a position.

We delayed taking a position because we wanted to see the details of the proposal for the tunnels and hoped for the best. More than a year ago, we listed seven key questions involving costs, timing, impacts and operations that need to be answered. In May of this year, most — but not all — of those questions were addressed in some form in volumes of documents that will ultimately make up the draft environmental impact report for the peripheral tunnels proposal.

The Club's process for policymaking is notoriously deliberate and often slow. But that's a good thing. Our volunteers take seriously the notion that every viewpoint needs to be aired, heard and considered. In July, after many, many months of conversation and debate — in person, on conference calls and via long email chains — the policymaking body of Sierra Club California, which includes representatives from every part of the state, voted to oppose the peripheral tunnels proposal.

There you have it. We are officially opposed to the proposal

to build two giant tunnels that will move water from the Sacramento River system, around the Delta, and to the south. We are taking this position because there is too much certainty that the tunnels will further degrade the Delta environment. There is too little certainty that it will solve the essential water supply problems all Californians face as we grapple with climate change.

That's all Californians. Too often, California's water supply issue has been framed as one of Northern California vs. Southern California. That framing is a devious way to distract like-minded Californians from solving our key problem: What do we need to do to help everyone in the state conserve a precious resource while enhancing the economy and protecting the environment?

There are a lot of answers to this question, and none of them include becoming more dependent

on exports through or around the Delta.

For instance, we all need to devote more resources to water conservation. That means going beyond low-flush toilets. We need industrial-scale improvements in water conservation, new investment in fixing the old, leaking infrastructure in our cities, and employing more and better recycling.

We need to make better, wiser use of farmlands. There are parts of the state where farmers ought to have a chance to farm solar productively in exchange for reducing their water demand for conventional crops.

We need to stop polluting the clean water we have. We need to clean up the groundwater supplies around the state that are not potable because of past pollution.

And we need to seriously consider water impacts when we decide as a society which industries we want to grow. Why are we even allowing fracking in this state when that activity is so heavily dependent on sucking up massive amounts of clean water, polluting it, and then casting it aside as waste?

These are just a few answers, but you get the idea.

As long as everyone in the water world stays focused on that old standby, the notion of creating a new way to move water around or through the Delta, Californians will be shortchanged. It's time for the state's water leaders to take a new tack. Abandon the costly peripheral tunnels and invest in the answers that we can all live with, that will make every region more sustainable, and will support all Californians.

One more thing: In addition to moving the tunnels, the latest proposal also calls for reducing their length from 35 miles to 30 miles. That's a good trend. Keep cutting and we'll be rid of that crazy peripheral tunnels idea for good.

Sincerely,  
Kathryn Phillips, Director  
Sierra Club California

Sierra Club California, based in Sacramento, is the legislative and regulatory advocacy arm of the 13 California chapters of the Sierra Club. Those chapters are located in both northern and southern California.

E-mail items of interest to West Sacramento to Carol Bogart, [3bogart@gmail.com](mailto:3bogart@gmail.com).



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**City of Rancho Cordova Notice of Public Hearing**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on **September 16, 2013, at 5:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova will hold a Public Hearing at the **Rancho Cordova City Hall, located at 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**, to consider the following:

**2012-13 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT**

The purpose of this public hearing is to consider the adoption of the 2012-13 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The 2012-13 CAPER describes the programs and activities accomplished during the 2012-13 program year, in which the City received \$560,195 in federal CDBG funds, in addition to \$169,030 in unspent funds from previous program years.

The release of this notice is one of the City's activities to fulfill citizen participation requirements. Federal regulations require localities to provide the public with reasonable access to the documents.

The CAPER is available for public review at the following locations: Rancho Cordova City Hall at 2729 Prospect Park Drive and Rancho Cordova Community Library at 9845 Folsom Boulevard. The documents, as well as links to data and resource information used in their development, will also be available for public review on the City's website at <http://www.cityofranhocordova.org/Index.aspx?page=86>.

Copies of the CAPER will be made available upon request and are free of charge.

The public review and comment period begins August 30, 2013 and will end September 16, 2013. The City of Rancho Cordova City Council will consider adoption of the CAPER and provide an opportunity for public comment at their September 16, 2013 meeting.

The City of Rancho Cordova encourages interested parties to attend public meetings and comment on the issues being discussed. If you wish to provide testimony and are unable to attend the meeting, written comments that are delivered to the City Clerk's office prior to the time of the hearing will be made a part of the public record.

**Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the City of Rancho Cordova Economic Development Department at (916) 851-8700.**

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**NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS**

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

**ADA COOMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Department at (916) 851-8720. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

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## Expert Answers to Common DMV Questions



By George Valverde - Director, California Department of Motor Vehicles

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**Q:** I'm not sure how much I'll have to pay for my vehicle registration and I'm trying to budget for it. Is there a way to find out how much I'll have to pay?

**A:** Yes. By going online at <https://mv.dmv.ca.gov/FeeCalculatorWeb/index.jsp>, you will find a vehicle registration fee calculator which allows you to calculate an estimate of vehicle registration fees and determine Vehicle License Fees (VLF) for tax purposes. Additional calculators are also available for new purchases, vehicles from out of state, and renewals.

"Save Time, Go Online" at [www.dmv.ca.gov](http://www.dmv.ca.gov) or call 1-800-777-0133.

**Q:** I have recently noticed a lot of vehicles for sale in a vacant lot near the local business where I frequently shop; it looks terrible and is clogging the area with cars, traffic and trash. What can I do about reporting this nuisance?

**A:** You may be observing Curbstoning activity, therepeated, unlicensed "flipping" of unsafe, used cars for profit. Curbstoners are unlicensed dealers who buy and sell vehicles without a license, proper permits or legally established place of business. Be suspicious of vehicles suddenly parked in undesignated areas. If you suspect wrongdoing you are encouraged to report the suspected unlicensed dealer activity (Curbstoners) to the Department's Investigations Division. Please complete the Record of Complaint Form (INV 172). Follow the directions for completing the form and mail it to an Investigations office in

your area, the address listing is included on the form: <http://apps.dmv.ca.gov/forms/inv/inv172.pdf>

**Q:** Is it legal to drill a camera into a California license plate? The camera would be pointed through the "o" in California. The hole would probably be about a 1-inch hole. The camera will be used as a backup camera. Our car audio shop usually installs them in the license plate frame, but this customer wants to put it in the license plate itself.

**A:** It's not legal because it constitutes tampering with a California license plate. It's against the law to tamper or obscure any portion of a California license plate. And since we are on the subject of license plates, remember that California law requires all passenger vehicles to have a license plate in the back and another one in the front.

**Q:** I am frequently seeing Disabled Parking Placards being misused by drivers who are not disabled, but who use the placards that belong to someone else. Those drivers illegally use disabled parking locations and free metered parking spaces, thus making them unavailable to the individuals truly in need of these spaces. How do I report these individuals?

**A:** If you see or know of Disabled Parking Placard abuse, the DMV encourages you to report it. Try to obtain the license plate of the vehicle, the location of the incident, and a detailed description or picture of the driver. Follow the directions for completing the Record of Complaint Form (INV 172) and mail it to a DMV Investigations office in your area – see address listing on the form: <http://apps.dmv.ca.gov/forms/inv/inv172.pdf>

**Q:** I purchased new, personalized license plates online and now DMV is telling me the choice I wanted will not be made. Why didn't the program prevent me from purchasing the plate in the first place?

**A:** Even if the online Special

Interest License Plate ordering program allows you to request your plate choice, the department has the right to refuse any combination of letters and/or letters and numbers that may carry connotations offensive to good taste and decency, or which would be misleading or in conflict with any license plate series now issued. All plate orders go through a manual review process before plates will be manufactured.

One of the biggest reasons a plate configuration will be rejected, is customers substitute numbers for letters or vice versa. This is not allowed as it may be confused with an already existing plate. For example: IKIDDIE cannot be substituted for 1KIDDIE or vice versa.

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### Local Man Wins Championship

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consistent. He doesn't miss very much," Lefty said.

A scenario generally includes shooting five rounds with each of two handguns, 10 rounds with your rifle and 10 with your shotgun, with multiple targets. There are a number of variables in each contest, and best time depends on the movement and shooting positions required. There are penalties for missing a target, and also procedural penalties.

"If you screw up and do them wrong, that's what they call a procedural," Pergande said. "You're penalized 10 seconds for that."

A missed target will add 5 seconds, and a safety issue, such as loading too many rounds in your rifle and having a live round left at the unloading table, would be a 10 second penalty. Safety is a primary consideration at every shoot.

Pergande has upgraded his weapons and now uses two single action revolvers, 1873 clones of the old Colts; an American Winchester 1873 rifle and a 12 gauge double-barrel shotgun, a coach gun

like the guards on the stagecoaches would carry.

Pergande's wife Jean supports her husband's interest and, in fact, the two have a ritual that they carry out before each competition. She pulls his ear lobe as a reminder, and says, "Take two and save five, no Ps, limpio, and have fun."

Translated into regular English it means for him to take two seconds to calm himself to avoid a five second penalty, no procedural errors, and shoot the match clean (limpio means clean in Spanish).

Now 76, he said that 2013 will be his last year on the circuit for a while since he will be having shoulder surgery and won't be able to compete immediately after.

While Pergande doesn't pretend to be in the Old West, he enjoys the action and the competition. Some competitors wear elaborate Old West gear, but Pergande's outfit is simple.

"He's very modest. He doesn't talk about himself. He just lets his exploits talk for him," Lefty said. "He's just really a traditional slice of western Americana."

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# In Washington, Ideology Need Not Reign Supreme



**Commentary**  
by Lee H. Hamilton

As I speak to people about the Congress, one question arises more than any other: Why is Congress gridlocked? People are perplexed and disappointed with its performance, and are searching hard for an answer.

The roots of Congress's dysfunction are complex. But the fundamental reason is that real differences in ideology and principles about both government and governance exist among the voters. At heart, the reason it's become so hard for Washington to act is that the two parties are being driven by fundamentally incompatible views.

Conservatives place a heavy emphasis on liberty, individual freedom, and self-reliance. They have little confidence in government's ability to play a role in improving society or the economy, and many of them look upon government as destructive, a force that undermines our basic freedom. They are fearful of centralized power, opposed to redistribution of any kind, and opposed to new government programs — or even to improving existing government programs they'd rather see cut. They reject entirely the notion

of raising taxes or imposing new regulations on the private sector.

Moreover, a belief has taken hold among some conservatives in recent years that compromise and accommodation are betrayals of their cause. This has put great pressure on GOP leaders not to budge in their negotiations with the White House and Senate Democrats.

Meanwhile, on the "progressive" side—a label that has come to supplant "liberal," in part because Republicans in the 1980s and 1990s were so effective at demonizing liberals—there is much greater emphasis on using government to narrow economic disparities and help those at the bottom of the income scale. They emphasize its role in providing equality of opportunity for all and individuals' responsibility to the community around them. Because they have more confidence in government as a constructive force, they have

no trouble with the notion of expanding government's scope to improve Americans' lives.

In fact, unlike conservatives, they think government can expand freedom when it's properly applied, by reining in the power of monied interests. While they do not favor a radical centralization of power in the federal government, as some conservatives charge, they are more willing to accept government action — and the legislative compromises that make it possible. Because they have less confidence in the market to solve all problems, they support both the taxes they believe necessary to run programs they like, and regulations to limit the private sector's more predatory impacts on the environment or society.

The gap between these views appears unbridgeable. It is not, nor are the differences between the two sides as wide as they appear.

That is because most

Americans find themselves somewhere between the extremes, able to see merit in both conservative and progressive ideas. When I was in office, I often found myself thinking that many of my constituents were conservative, moderate, and liberal all at the same time. That hasn't changed. As a whole, Americans do not want excessive government or heavy-handed bureaucracy, but they do want programs that help them, like Social Security and Medicare. They are dedicated to both individual freedom and opportunity and to community obligation, and they don't see them as mutually contradictory. More than anything else, especially these days, they want to see moderation and cooperation from their political leaders.

There may be dysfunction in Washington, but the system can still work. When policy makers gather (I've seen this countless times) ideology

fades, pragmatism rises, and the question becomes, What can we do to fix the situation? That's where most Americans find themselves. They do not see government as evil, though they are often disappointed in its practice and its practitioners. They are wary of excessive government, but again and again they turn to government at some level to help solve the problems they complain about, and they want it to work effectively and efficiently.

In the end, Congress usually ends up about where most Americans are and want it to be. So I'm not surprised to find how, when dire problems confront them, both conservatives and progressives in Washington find their inner pragmatist.

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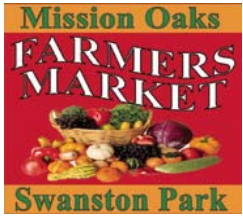
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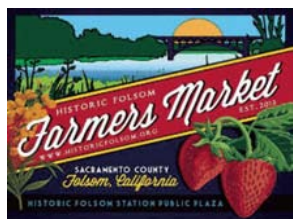


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