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## The Long Wait is Over

Mesa Verde High School Opens Football Stadium Complex



Excitement engulfed Mesa Verde High School's new football field as students, coaches and Mavericks begin their first home game in history at the sports complex. Ron Barney (center), athletics director at San Juan Unified and former longtime coach at Mesa Verde celebrates with Julie Gebhardt (left), the wife of late Mike Gebhardt, also a longtime coach at Mesa Verde. Photo courtesy of Travis Miller/Mesa Verde High School

**By Elise Spleiss**  
CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The excitement was palpable at Mesa Verde High School in Citrus Heights on October 13, as 2,000 Mesa Verde High School students and staff, dignitaries and community members descended upon the new football stadium complex. They gathered for the

first Friday home game in history on their new football field. For those who arrived late, parking was not to be found for miles. Parking at the high school's several lots, including its new parking lot and street parking for miles surrounding the school was filled. It was a magic day for Mesa Verde and Citrus Heights.

A ribbon cutting for the new stadium and athletic complex took place at 3 p.m. with State Senator Roger Niello, Citrus Heights Mayor Tim Schaefer and San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD) Superintendent Melissa Bassanelli speaking. Other city council members were present. Representatives  
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## Council Rejects Plan for Housing at Sylvan Corners

Story by Shaunna Boyd

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - At the October 12 meeting, the Citrus Heights City Council considered approval of the Sylvan Corners housing development proposed by Woodside Homes. The City's Planning Commission recently reviewed the project plan and recommended Council approval on a 4-1 vote. The 11.34-acre project site is the previous location of Sylvan Middle School, on the west side of Auburn Blvd. at the intersection of Old Auburn Rd and Auburn Blvd./Sylvan Rd. In 2017, San Juan Unified School District declared the site to be surplus land after moving the middle school to a different location. The property is in a central location within the city, so in order to have control over its future development, the City of Citrus Heights bought the land in 2019 for \$3.4 million, plus interest and fees. The intent was to find a suitable buyer who would work closely with the City on a development that aligned with City goals. The City put the property up for sale and received one offer, from Woodside Homes. In 2021, the City entered into a purchase agreement with Woodside Homes, with the final purchase price to be determined by the number of residential lots constructed. The developer has proposed 94 single-family homes on the site, with 70 traditional-style homes on lots ranging from 3,000 to 5,113 sq. ft., and 24 alley-loaded homes on lots from 2,625 to 5,725 sq. ft. The estimated total purchase price would be \$4.22 million, with the money from the sale going into the City's General Fund. Of the 94 proposed homes, 14 would be designated as affordable housing units to be sold to lower-income qualified buyers (with an approximate income of \$85,000). They would remain as affordable housing for a minimum of 45 years, with the City overseeing any resales of those properties to ensure buyers' income eligibility. To offset the costs of that monitoring program, the City would collect 3% of the sales price for each of those affordable housing units sold by Woodside Homes. In addition to the 94 homes, the proposed  
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## ArtBeat Offers New Art and Music

Story and photos by Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Citrus Heights Arts, and community partners Sunrise MarketPlace, the Marketplace at Birdcage and the city of Citrus Heights teamed up Saturday, October 14th to present ArtBeat, a first-ever, art and music festival at the Marketplace at Birdcage, located at 5975 Birdcage Centre Lane, just behind Jamba Juice.

The festival held from 11 am to 3 pm attracted a substantial crowd throughout the day who mingled with local artists and listened to live music. "This festival is all about celebrating artistic expression and providing entertainment for everyone in the community," said Gigi Rayford, executive director and founder of the non-profit Citrus Heights Arts. The group was the recipient of a 2023



Citrus Height City Manager Ash Feeney becomes a fan of professional jazz harp music together with Citrus Heights City Councilmember Porsche Middleton and her mother Gigi Rayford, executive director and founder of the non-profit Citrus Heights Arts.

community projects grant from the City of Citrus Heights. ArtBeat celebrated the work by a range of local artists and vendors. Individual artists included Art by Brea, Kiki Making Art and works by Nadine Gonzaga-Haduca. The captivating  
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# The Long Wait is Over



The new stadium, completed this fall, includes a synthetic turf football field, scoreboards, a new sound system, Mesa-green bleachers, a press box, ticket booth, concession stand with restrooms and renovated locker rooms. Photo courtesy of Travis Miller/Mesa Verde High School

Continued from page 1 from Sacramento County Supervisor Sue Frost's office and California State Assemblyman Josh Hoover congratulated the school for its achievement.

Junior Varsity played their first home game in the stadium at 5 p.m. against Rio Linda and won. At 7:30 p.m. the Mavericks bolted through their new green and orange tunnel for their first home field Friday night game. They won the game against the Rio Linda Knights 20-6, under the brand-new state of the art LED sports lighting.

Throughout the day and evening the Mesa Verde band tirelessly entertained their audience with energetic music.

Mesa Verde High School opened in 1975 and has never had its own sports stadium. For 48 years the Mavericks have had to play their home games at San Juan High School. In a SJUSD YouTube video, student Anthony Arguelles reflected, "when you have your own stadium, it's people from your school, [and] everyone is coming together more like a



Mesa Verde High School cheerleaders pause during the Star-Spangled Banner at the opening ceremony of the school's athletic complex on Friday, October 13, 2023. Photo courtesy of Citrus Heights City Manager Ash Feeney

family – it unites you."

In the same video, Athletic Director Travis Miller noted that, "community-wise it will be great, community groups that are local and have to travel to other high schools or other facilities (to play) can stay in Citrus Heights and use our facilities. People will see the positive energy we're bringing to Mesa."

In an interview on Good Day Sacramento on game day, principal Jennifer Peterson, acknowledging

they are now the envy of other high schools said, "this is the best stadium in our district and we're proud of it. This is 49 years in the making. It's not just for Mesa, it's for the community at large."

Returning to their alma mater were dozens of alumni coming home to their own first homecoming game. They marched in front of the stands, holding their banners, many still proudly able to fit into and wear their letterman jacket. They are eagerly awaiting

sitting in their own bleachers watching a game...finally!

In 2016, SJUSD passed Measure P, a \$750 million bond measure to fund capital improvements throughout the district, and one of those signature projects was the new sports stadium at Mesa Verde High School.

Construction on the new stadium began following groundbreaking in August of 2022. The work was completed this fall. The stadium features a synthetic turf

football field, scoreboards, a new sound system, Mesa-green bleachers, a press box, ticket booth, concession stand with restrooms and renovated locker rooms. The campus also has new tennis courts, a marked running track with bright orange accents.

Principal Jennifer Peterson summed up the importance of the completion of this project, "the athletic stadium stands as a testament to what community can achieve when united by a common vision. This moment has been marked by determination, sacrifice and an enduring belief that our students deserve the very best."

The closing words on the SJUSD website look to the school's future place in the community. "Mesa Verde's athletic complex now stands as a place where students, staff, alumni, and Citrus Heights community members can gather and watch the school's athletic teams compete in sporting events such as football, soccer, track and tennis."

Sources: Good Day Sacramento, San Juan Unified School District Ballotpedia ★

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# ArtBeat Offers Art and Music

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sounds of professional jazz harpist Motoshi Kosako, who now calls Sacramento home, gently welcomed those arriving to ArtBeat.

Kosako began his musical journey at a young age on the piano and later jazz guitar in Tokyo, Japan where he became a rising star on the jazz scene there. He moved to the United States in 1997 and immersed himself in the self-study of the harp, becoming a principal harpist of Stockton Symphony Orchestra and featured soloist in its 2009 and 2010 season. From his deep background in jazz, Motoshi challenges the traditional use of the harp with his modern jazz compositions and innovative

playing style.

Just to the left of the ArtBeat stage, as Motoshi played, Mammxth, a custom artist from Sacramento splashed a large canvas with sprays of color.

Members of the Citrus Heights Kiwanis Club, of which Rayford is a fellow member, volunteered to help vendors set up. Citrus Heights city council member Porsche Middleton and city manager Ash Feeny welcomed the public to the festival.

Student members of the Mesa Verde High School Key Club received accolades from city councilperson Middleton for coming early to help with set-up and running a spin-to-win booth with fellow students from



Custom artist Mammxth from Sacramento splashed a large canvas with sprays of color.

the AVID program.

The event also featured food trucks, a face

painting booth and games for children as well as free cups of cold Kono shaved

Ice and Leatherby's Ice Cream.

Throughout the day, the area behind Jamba Juice in the Marketplace at Birdcage turned into a dance floor as the electrifying beats of "master of the mix", DJ Troy, took ArtBeat attendees on a sonic musical journey before headliner Brady Shammar, a captivating Afrocentric singer, songwriter, producer and arranger from Kingston, Jamaica took the stage to close out the event.

Shammar had graced prestigious stages across the country alongside luminaries such as Max Romeo, the Original Wailers and Toots and the Maytals. She has also performed at the "One Love One Heart"

Festival in Sacramento, CA, "Reggae on the River" in Humboldt and the Sierra Nevada World Music Festival in Mendocino.

Sponsors of Citrus Heights ArtBeat included Sunrise MarketPlace, the city of Citrus Heights, Sacramento Tree Foundation, California American Water, Marketplace at Birdcage and Stones Gambling Hall.

Citrus Heights Arts, founded by Gigi Rayford in 2016, continues to host monthly events at the Sylvan Community Center at 7521 Community Center on the third Saturday of each month. For more information about future events visit: <https://citrusheightsarts.org/artbeat> ★



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# It's the Great Pumpkin, Citrus Heights!

By Tamara Warta

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Pumpkin patches are synonymous with the month of October, but for one in particular this year, the goal was a bit larger than jack-o-lanterns and corn mazes. Nick Kennedy set out this year to grow the largest pumpkin and successfully broke the California state record at the Half Moon Bay Art and Pumpkin Festival.

Why not stay local? Prior to the competition, Kennedy said, "People ask why we don't just do Bishop's. We took a 2000 lb pumpkin [to Bishop's] and got 2nd place, but we are not doing it for the money. We want to compete at the highest level and Half Moon Bay is essentially that."

Kennedy's pumpkin, in partnership with his friend and co-grower Ron Root, was estimated to be 2,380 lbs and 240 inches around. The official total was 2,497, broke the California state record, and came in 2nd place as the best pumpkin all around.

So how exactly does one set out to break the state record and come in second place in the nation? For Kennedy and Root, it starts with a 70 x 70 square foot plot situated in the center of the long closed-down Citrus Heights patch, The Pumpkin Farm.

Kennedy and Root met last year and they worked together to develop the patch this year.

"He's got a lot of knowledge," said Kennedy. "We are the old school paired with the new school."

While it's true that Root has years more knowledge than Kennedy, Kennedy himself is bursting with excitement when talking about pumpkin life. All of their pumpkins are Atlantic giants, which are grown from seeds from US world record holder Travis Gienger.



Nick Kennedy poses with his giant pumpkin, named Pohaku, which broke the California state record at the Half Moon Bay Art and Pumpkin Festival this year. Photo by Tamara Warta

"We're sort of playing mad scientist and God over here for a second because we control all the pollination," said Kennedy.

The record-breaking pumpkin, named Pohaku – which is Hawaiian for rock or boulder – was one of four that the duo grew this year. The others did not make it as successfully to the end.

The most important thing

when growing giant pumpkins is the seeds and genetic potential.

"If you were to buy a store bought seed it will only have the potential to grow to the size of the year before," said Kennedy. Which explains why, thankfully, we don't all have giant pumpkins growing in our yard.

Kennedy is not a full-time pumpkin grower – he is a tech worker that resides in Fair Oaks.

But at this point of the season, he is spending 3-4 hours each day burying vines and reaping the rewards of spending months training the roots to grow into a certain pattern designed to support the giant pumpkin's nutrition and growth.

"The more root growth you have, the more energy it will have to grow," said Kennedy. "More roots, bigger fruits. It's

a fine balance of providing enough nutrients for it to grow fast and steady, but don't over do it because you can blow your pumpkin up in theory."

Kennedy had two personal goals heading into the Half Moon Bay Competition. First, to grow a pumpkin over 2,000 pounds. Second, to nab a famous growers' jacket that is obtained only by growing a single pumpkin over 2200 pounds or three with the combined weight of 4300 pounds.

With those two accomplishments now under his belt, he can reflect upon the season – which began with planting end of April, and look towards the work ahead as the pumpkin patch is completely uprooted, cleared out, and prepared for next season.

Moving the pumpkin to the competition in Half Moon Bay was no easy feat either. Local company River City Rentals donated an off-road forklift and used an extra large harness to work as a giant sling. The pumpkin was then placed on pallets on top of a truck bed, elevating it approximately 6 feet in the air.

"It's definitely stressful but I've gotten to the point where I know that the operators know what they're doing. I've done it a couple times, Ron's done it 20 plus times."

Kennedy is clearly laid back about pumpkin life and looks forward to the years ahead. His son also got into the game this year, growing a Halloween orange pumpkin that weighed in at over 700 pounds.

"It's definitely a family sport," explained Kennedy. "The people that do this are just the best people I've ever met in the world. Everyone is so nice and generous. It's such a labor of love, Even if there were no money involved it would do it until the day I die. It's just so much fun." ★

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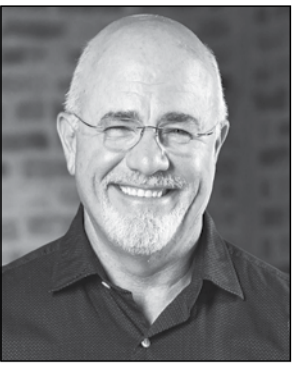
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Working my plan, the average person can pay off all their debt, except for their home, in 18 to 24 months. Some folks can do it faster, and for some it takes a little longer. But during this time I want your financial focus to be on nothing but getting out of debt. Once that's done, you'll find you have a lot more control over your biggest wealth-building tool—your income.

Trying to accomplish too many things at once diminishes the ability to focus. And when you spend all your time nickel-and-dimeing everything, the result is that nothing at all gets

done very well. You need to really move the needle and see results, because personal finance is 80 percent behavior and only 20 percent head knowledge. It's not so much a math issue, because if you'd been doing the math all along you wouldn't have a bunch of debt.

That's why, for a short period of time, I want you to concentrate with laser intensity on knocking out debt. Once that's out of the way, you can pour even more money into investing, saving and giving!

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show." He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company Ramsey Solutions. ★*

### When You Nickel and Dime Things, Nothing Gets Done Well

Dear Dave,

I'm currently on Baby Step 2, and I have about \$7,000 in debt to pay off before I can move to bulking up my emergency fund in Baby Step 3. When you're paying off debt, what do you recommend for 401(k) contributions?

— Rae

Dear Rae,

I recommend putting a temporary stop to investing while you're getting out of debt. Lots of people are shocked by this advice, and some disagree with it, because they're afraid of missing out on their employer's match or the wonders of compound interest. But before we go any further, let me emphasize one

## Grant Fuels the CHP's Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Efforts

### CHP News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Motorcycle-involved crashes continue to be a major concern for the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The CHP has implemented a yearlong, federally funded program, Get Educated and Ride Safe VI (GEARS), with the goal of increasing motorcycle safety and awareness throughout the state.

The GEARS VI goals are designed to reduce the number of motorcycle-involved crashes and crash victims. Based on provisional data, there were 7,639 motorcycle-involved crashes, resulting in 381 deaths and 6,969 injuries, within CHP jurisdiction in federal fiscal year 2021-22 – an 8% increase from the previous year.

"Motorcycle riders are statistically more likely to be injured or killed when involved in a crash," said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. "The GEARS VI grant will support the Department's efforts to improve safety for motorcycle riders and other

road users through focused education and enforcement."

During the grant period, the CHP will increase motorcycle safety activities in regions with a high number of motorcycle incidents and participate in traffic safety education campaigns such as "National Motorcycle Ride Day" on October 14, 2023. The campaign will promote the use of U.S. Department of Transportation-compliant helmets for all riders and raise driver awareness of sharing the road with motorcyclists. The CHP will also increase enforcement in areas with a high number of motorcycle-involved crashes, which resulted from speed, improper turns, and driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The mission of the CHP is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security. ★

## Council Rejects Plan for Housing at Sylvan Corners

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subdivision would also include amenities such as a small passive recreation area for outdoor gathering, a number of open-space lots to preserve some of the existing oak trees, and a large open-space stormwater detention basin designed with greenery, fencing, and walking paths.

Mike LaFortune, vice president of land acquisition and development at Woodside Homes, spoke during the Public Hearing, stating that they had been working on this project for a long time with City staff: "We are very honored and excited to bring this residential community to the city." With a choices of home designs and sizes, LaFortune said their homes will sell at various price points, making housing accessible for a "wide variety of buyers."

Forrest Allan, who has lived near the project site for 50 years, also spoke during the Public Hearing, stating that the project was "not a viable plan for our neighborhood." He said that the area is already very congested with heavy traffic along Auburn Blvd. and along adjacent neighborhood streets due to the many schools in the area. Building 94 homes on that site will increase the traffic even more, which will "decrease our quality of life as residents," said Allan.

Natalie Price also spoke against the project, stating that she was appearing on behalf of community members in her capacity as president of REACH and Neighborhood Area 10, and not as a member of the Planning Commission (she was the dissenting vote on the commission when they reviewed this project). Price said that she agrees Citrus Heights needs to do their part to support affordable housing, but "the voices from the community...and that discerning voice deep inside of me says it's not this development and not this corner."

While this project would help the City meet housing goals, Price said it goes against other policies in the General Plan, such as preserving neighborhoods and supporting businesses. The new neighborhood would be stuck in a commercial center, isolated from other residential areas. And she said that the lack of yard space in the development and the proximity to the heavy traffic along Auburn Blvd. would not offer adequate quality of life for the people who would eventually live there.

Citrus Heights resident Donna Brady submitted a written comment opposing the project. She said traffic congestion along Auburn Blvd. will be even worse if the project goes forward, and she would rather see the land used for community facilities that would benefit Citrus Heights youth and families.

During Council Comments, Councilmember Jayna Karpinski-Costa said, "I do not find that this project offers an enhanced community benefit." She agreed that the project would increase traffic in the area, and that the future residents of the subdivision would be isolated and experience a lower quality of life due to living

in that location: "Inadequate yard space with no room for family or neighbors to get together, no room for barbecues, even family dogs, vegetables or flower garden."

"I find the proposed project is detrimental to the public health, safety, and convenience, and welfare of the city," said Councilmember Karpinski-Costa. She also suggested that the project goes against the Auburn Blvd. Specific Plan, which designates the project site as part of the Sylvan Corners Village Square district. The land use concept for that district is a pedestrian friendly shopping environment that reestablishes Sylvan Corners as civic, social, and commercial focal point of the city. Karpinski-Costa said that the proposed housing project "wipes out the Auburn Blvd. Plan."

Vice Mayor Brett Daniels agreed that he didn't see an enhanced community benefit from this project. He also expressed "deep, deep concerns about this area and the safety of people who live here," due to the houses that would be built along Auburn Blvd. He said that "a vehicle going 45 mph travels 66 ft in one second" and would wipe out the proposed wooden fencing along that corridor. Vice Mayor Daniels said that he couldn't support the tentative subdivision map as currently proposed, unless there were changes made to increase safety for those homes along Auburn Blvd.

Councilmember Porsche Middleton said, "I hear the concerns of the community, and I understand it." But she pointed out that similar concerns are raised each time a new housing development is considered. While she understands the concerns of long-time residents, Middleton said the City also has to make room for new people to live and work in Citrus Heights: "We have to build more housing in order to keep our communities vibrant. ... We have to grow."

And she said that it's important to offer different housing options, because not everyone wants to care for a large yard. Some people might prefer a common picnic area landscaped and maintained by the HOA: "For us to singlehandedly...say that this isn't what other people want is inherently wrong."


Mayor Tim Schaefer noted there were some "really compelling arguments tonight." He said, "I'm here to represent the community, and it's a tough decision, because there's a lot of things I like about this project, but it's just not quite enough for me to support it."

When considering whether to approve the Woodside Homes tentative subdivision map for the Sylvan Corners development, Council voted 2-3, with Karpinski-Costa, Daniels, and Schaefer dissenting. With that vote, the project was denied.

Woodside Homes was the only developer that offered to purchase and develop the Sylvan Corner property, so the future development of the site is unknown at this time.

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for October 26. ★

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# Social Security Matters

## How Will My Wife's Social Security Be Affected by her Teacher's Pension?



By Russell Gloor,  
AMAC Certified Social  
Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** My wife, born in 1960, was a Texas school teacher for about 10 years and receives a \$1,000 per month pension from that work. She didn't pay into Social Security while teaching, but she paid into it for about 23 years while working elsewhere. I paid into Social Security my entire life, the maximum in most years, so my SS benefit will be much greater than hers.

I understand there are some sort of penalties or restrictions on my wife's Social Security benefits and also for spousal benefits due to her school pension. Please share the process I can use to estimate my wife's Social Security and tell me if she can file for spousal benefits.

**Signed: Planning for the Future**

**Dear Planning:** Because your wife has a Texas school teacher pension earned without contributing to Social Security, any SS benefits she is entitled to will be affected by two rules – first, by the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) which will reduce her personally earned Social Security retirement benefit and, second, by the Government Pension Offset (GPO) which will reduce

any spousal boost (if she is entitled to one) to her own benefit.

The amount of the WEP reduction to your wife's personal SS retirement benefit will be computed using a special formula which considers the number of years she has contributed to Social Security through other (non-state) work. Since your wife became eligible for Social Security benefits in 2022 the maximum WEP reduction with 23 years contributing to SS will be \$358. If your wife has already obtained an estimate of her Social Security retirement benefit, deduct \$358 from that estimate and that will be pretty close to her actual SS retirement benefit when she claims. Social Security will figure out the exact amount of her WEP reduction when your wife applies, but you can also use Social Security's "WEP Calculator" for an estimate, which you can find at this link: [www.ssa.gov/benefits/calculators/](http://www.ssa.gov/benefits/calculators/).

Whether your wife will be entitled to a "spousal boost" to her own Social Security retirement benefit depends on how your respective FRA entitlements compare, and the GPO. The base amount of your wife's spousal boost will be the difference between her pre-WEP FRA entitlement and 50% of your FRA entitlement. If your wife's normal FRA entitlement is less than 50% of your FRA entitlement, the difference is a "spousal boost" added to your wife's personal SS retirement benefit. However, that base spousal boost will be reduced if taken before your wife reaches her FRA, and even further reduced by

the GPO (the GPO reduction will be 2/3rds your wife's State of Texas pension, e.g., about \$667). Any remainder left after these reductions to your wife's spousal boost will be added to her own WEP-reduced SS retirement amount, but if the remainder is \$0 then no spousal boost will be given, and your wife will get only her WEP-reduced Social Security retirement amount.

FYI, Social Security's WEP and GPO provisions apply to anyone who has a pension earned without contributing to Social Security, including many public service retirees in the 26 states which do not participate in the federal Social Security program. I've published numerous articles about how these rules affect benefits, and also about the rationale behind both provisions, which you are welcome to review at this AMAC Foundation website: [www.SocialSecurityReport.org](http://www.SocialSecurityReport.org).

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# How Liberal California Compares to Florida, Texas on Social Media Regulation



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

The dichotomy between blue and red states – in essence California vs. Florida and Texas – has played out in many arenas on many specific issues, including immigration and abortion.

The whole nation will get a full dose of the running conflict next month when California Gov. Gavin Newsom, a Democrat who's obsessed with building a national image, debates Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, a declared 2024 Republican candidate for president, on national television.

Meanwhile, an ironic twist to the rivalry has developed over how the competing states seek to force social media companies, such as X (formerly Twitter) and Facebook, to toe the official line on content that runs afoul of their very different ideological outlooks.

When it reconvened this month, the U.S. Supreme Court agreed to examine laws in Florida and Texas that would prohibit social media outlets from barring controversial political speech. The laws were enacted after both Facebook and Twitter suspended former President Donald Trump's account.

The Texas law, now on hold, would classify social media companies as

common carriers such as public utilities and require them to disclose their "moderation standards" affecting what they allow to be posted, and declare why they remove certain content.

The Florida law – similar in thrust – would prohibit banning certain users, such as journalists or politicians, and require social media companies to explain the rationale for each instance of content moderation.

In both cases, the social media companies say Florida and Texas are attempting to control how they edit their platforms in violation of the Constitution's right to freedom of speech.

"At bottom, government 'may not ... tell Twitter or YouTube what videos to post; or tell Facebook or Google what content to favor,'" Scott Keller, an attorney for internet trade groups, told the court in a petition.

The issues before the Supreme Court are remarkably similar to a lawsuit filed in federal court this month by X Corp. against California, alleging that a 2022 law violates its free speech right as well.

The law, Assembly Bill 587, also bores into the standards that social media use to moderate content, requiring them to make extensive disclosures to the state Department of Justice. The measure was sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League and is aimed at pressuring the social media companies to remove what the sponsor deems to be hate speech.

"The line between providing an open forum for productive discourse and permitting the proliferation of hate speech and

misinformation is a fine one, and depends largely on the structure and practices of the platform," Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel, a Woodland Hills Democrat, said in a statement as his bill was being considered.

X Corp. claims that Gabriel's law violates the First Amendment because it interferes with social media companies' constitutionally protected editorial judgments, requires them to post terms "dictated by the government," and pressures them to remove content the state "deems undesirable or harmful."

Fundamentally, then, while Texas and Florida accuse social media of being too eager to censor inflammatory content, the California law implies that they are not eager enough.

California, meanwhile, has rolled back another censorship law passed last year.

Assembly Bill 2098 threatened doctors with losing their licenses for "unprofessional conduct" if they openly disagreed with officialdom on the nature of COVID-19 or the vaccines used to battle the pandemic.

This year, a few words that repealed the law were slipped into an omnibus medical licensing measure, Senate Bill 815, that Newsom quietly signed. The repeal short-circuited what could have been another legal battle over censorship and the First Amendment and is a lesson about legislating without considering effects on constitutional rights.

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

# Bera Announces a \$1.2 Billion Investment in California Clean Energy

Office of Rep. Ami Bera, M.D.

**WASHINGTON, DC (MPG)** - Representative Ami Bera, M.D. (CA-06) on October 13, 2023, released the following statement after the Department of Energy (DOE) announced the California Hydrogen Hub (Alliance for Renewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems, ARCHES, LLC) as one of seven regional clean hydrogen hubs across the country.

"I am thrilled that the Department of Energy selected the California Hydrogen Hub for award negotiations which could bring in up to \$1.2 billion to continue to work towards a clean energy future," said Representative Bera. "The California Hydrogen Hub will allow our state to be a leader in research and development of renewable energy while creating thousands

of good paying jobs. Investing in clean energy is not only critical in protecting the health of our families and environment, but also in strengthening our nation's energy security."

Rep. Bera has been a strong champion of innovations in clean energy. The Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs Program was made possible by funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law which Rep. Bera helped secure into law.

This hub will produce hydrogen exclusively from renewable energy and biomass to develop methods of decarbonizing public transportation, trucking, and port operations which are often among the hardest industries to decarbonize.

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# Safe Sleep Baby Education: A Lifesaving Initiative

## Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento County's Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign is a testament to the power of community-based initiatives. The program has made a significant impact on the lives of many families since its inception in 2014. In honor of National Baby Safety Month, Sacramento County's Department of Child, Family and Adult Services is sharing the life-saving efforts of the Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign and how it's reducing the prevalence of baby sleep-related deaths.

On average, 27 babies die from sleep-related deaths in Sacramento County each year. These deaths are especially prevalent among African American babies, who are three times more likely to experience infant sleep-related fatalities than their non-African American counterparts. The goal of the Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign is to reduce infant sleep-related deaths, especially within the African American community. These heartbreaking deaths are preventable when parents are equipped with the knowledge and tools to ensure their babies sleep safely.

"Every other week in Sacramento County, an infant dies of a sleep-related death, half are African American babies. However, these are nearly all preventable when a parent understands and uses the six steps to safely sleep their baby every time the baby sleeps. Every infant sleep-related death is more than a tragic statistic; it's a deafening silence in a home, first steps that will never be taken, future laughter that will never be heard, and dreams unfulfilled. Through Safe Sleep Baby, we are not just disseminating information but reclaiming the promise of life itself for every child in our community," says Child Abuse



The Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign is actively working to break generational and cultural misconceptions about safe sleeping practices. Image by PublicDomainPictures from Pixabay

Prevention Center Chief Program Officer Stephanie Biegler.

The six steps Stephanie refers to are part of the program's core mission to educate parents and caregivers about safely putting a baby to sleep. Remember: Alone, Back, Crib Always when sleeping a baby. These are the six steps:

Sleep the baby ALONE; Sleep the baby on their BACK; Sleep baby in a CRIB; Put nothing in the baby's sleep area; Do not overdress the baby; Do not smoke anything around the baby.

The Safe Sleep Baby Program does more than just provide parents and caregivers with these safety steps. Rather than simply distributing brochures, the program's model involves parents connecting with home

visitors for at least an hour to go through a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation. The personal touch ensures that parents receive accurate information and have the opportunity to ask questions. The program goes above and beyond to break barriers and help families in need. If the family does not have a place to safely sleep their baby, the program can provide them with a portable crib. One new parent shared, "The Safe Sleep Baby workshop not only pertained to sleep but covered several topics that are imperative to keeping your baby safe, happy, and healthy. Reach one, teach one, is being fulfilled by Safe Sleep Baby to set a foundation for generations to come."

Data shows that since the Safe Sleep Baby Program started, Sacramento County

infant sleep-related deaths decreased by 54% among African American infants, and the disparity gap in deaths between African American infants and all other racial groups has decreased by 60%.

Safe Sleep Baby education is imperative for infants with a Sacramento County Child Protective Services (CPS) referral. From 2010-2019, the infant sleep-related death rate was nearly four times greater for infants with CPS referrals compared with those infants who had no history of CPS.

In addition to reducing deaths, the Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign is actively working to break generational and cultural misconceptions about safe sleeping practices. Staff from the program say parents they've worked with express gratitude and feel empowered. The campaign also works with hospitals to make sure nurses and doctors are actively modeling safe sleep behaviors.

Through education, outreach, and collaboration with service providers, Sacramento County's Safe Sleep Baby Education Campaign is keeping babies safe while empowering parents and caregivers. Initiatives like this one make a lasting impact in our community. With knowledge, resources, and dedication, we can protect Sacramento County's most vulnerable children and communities.

While most parents and guardians who participate in the Safe Sleep Baby Program are referred to the program, any parent/caregiver with an infant under the age of one in Sacramento County can take the one-hour education training. To learn more about the campaign or for assistance, contact the Information & Referral Line at (916) 244-1900. Together, we can ensure every baby in Sacramento County sleeps safely and soundly. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06675  
 Nestor Edgardo Romero, 5347 Chatswood Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Phenomenal Pool Plastering/ Phenomenal Pools" 5347 Chatswood Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 8, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 PHENOMENAL 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07267  
 Lindsey Summer Kohl, 8596 Pershing Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nurse Organizes" 8596 Pershing Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 27, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 NURSE 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07197  
 The Poet Tree, Inc, 1719 25th Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Poetry Center" 1719 25th Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 22, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 SACRAMENTO 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07232  
 Roberto M. Soto, 9 Benoit Court, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blue Rock TC Services" 9 Benoit Court, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 26, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 BLUE 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07002  
 Sandeep Singh Gill, 4840 Clyde Bank Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Just Send It Postal" 7889 Lichen Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 15, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 JUST 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07280  
 Patrick J Clinton, 8001 Andante Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Construction Equipment Training Certification" 8001 Andante Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 27, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 CONSTRUCTION 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06122  
 Tapia Lath and Plastering, Inc., 1000 Silvano Street, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tapia Lath & Plastering Inc" 5416 Jackson Street #49, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 17, 2023  
 Publish: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023  
 TAPIA 10-27-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07378  
 BD Empire LLC, 6248 Main

Avenue Suite A, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Better Design Experience" 6248 Main Avenue Suite A, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 3, 2023  
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 BETTER 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07310  
 Brahm Enterprises, LLC, 2355 Gold Meadow Way #190, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Psily Stack/ Jessica Smith" 2355 Gold Meadow Way #190, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 29, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 13, 20, 27 Nov 3, 2023  
 BRAHM 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07071  
 Bay Area Regional Science League, 4801 Old Kent Lane, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Santa Clara County Regional Science Olympiad" 4801 Old Kent Lane, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 19, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 13, 20, 27 Nov 3, 2023  
 BAY 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06910  
 Hard Head Kitchen and Catering, 623 Howe Avenue #123, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hard Head Kitchen and Catering" 623 Howe Avenue #123, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 13, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 13, 20, 27 Nov 3, 2023  
 HARDHEAD 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07298  
 Juan D. Arias Lopez, 3916 Sitting Bull Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "3 Santos Bordado" 3916 Sitting Bull Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 28, 2023  
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 SANTOS 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07119  
 Serghai Enic, 10790 Coloma Road #110, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "QB Construction" 10790 Coloma Road #110, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 20, 2023  
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 QB 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07024  
 ToFanelli Enterprises, Inc, 2721 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Flap Jacks" 2721 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 15, 2023  
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 FLAPJACKS 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06975  
 Nightfall Reflections, 7408 Hanfield Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nightfall Reflections" 7408 Hanfield Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 14, 2023  
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 NIGHTFALL 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06642  
 GS Innovations LLC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GlowbyG" 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 29, 2023  
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 GLOWBYG 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07042  
 Jennifer G. Holden, 5604 El Granero Way, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Spinning Chester Designs" 5604 El Granero Way, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 18, 2023  
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 SPINNING 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07388  
 Barry Carangelo, 701 Sterling Stone Place, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BNC Enterprise" 701 Sterling Stone Place, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 4, 2023  
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 BNC 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07052  
 Ivy Campbell & Design, 8030 W. Stockton Boulevard #310, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sapphire Organize & Design" 8030 W. Stockton Boulevard #310, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 18, 2023  
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 SAPPHIRE 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07381  
 Stark Enterprises, 7532 Cedar Drive, citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the

Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cozy ADU" 7532 Cedar Drive, citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 4, 2023  
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 COZY 11-3-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07526  
 BMS Scolop Inc, 5121 Leader Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BULA Sia Trading" 3421 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 11, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 2023  
 BULA 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07405  
 TMI Chronicles LLC, 3 Gopher Flat Road #984, Sutter Creek, CA 95685 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nettie James" 10416 Investment Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 4, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 2023  
 NETTI 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-06866  
 Cedar Tree Holdings Co, 10017 Federalist Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cedar Tree Medical Reimbursement Services Co" 10017 Federalist Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 13, 2023  
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 CEDAR 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07460  
 Alma Arias Perez, 211 Jarvis Circle, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Michael Z Salon AP Styles" 3610 N Freeway Boulevard Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 6, 2023  
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 MICHAEL 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07436  
 BTS Restaurant Investment Group, 12341 Little Dome Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The WOK" 3045 Arden Way Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 6, 2023  
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 MICHAEL 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07046  
 El Arenal Corp, 7061 Madison Avenue A3, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tapatios Taco Shop" 5312 Hazel Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 18, 2023  
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 TAPATIOS 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07538  
 Valsteph LLC, 7434 Auburn Oaks Court Apt 102, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Speed Fit It" 7434 Auburn Oaks Court Apt 102, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 11, 2023  
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 SPEED 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07393  
 Lisa Patterson, 7828 Casa Bella Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K9 Nails on The Go" 7828 Casa Bella Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 4, 2023  
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 NAILS 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07519  
 Simplified Property Solutions LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sell Direct/ Sell Direct Home Sales" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 10, 2023  
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 SELL 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07354  
 Tiana Osborne-Gauthier, 2729 Tierra Grande Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "That's Cute Co" 2729 Tierra Grande Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 2, 2023  
 Publish: Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 2023  
 CUTE 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07353  
 Tiana Osborne-Gauthier, 2729 Tierra Grande Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827 and Zayna Osborne, 12826 Knightsbrook Avenue, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Once Upon a Rental" 2729 Tierra Grande Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 2, 2023  
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 ONCE 11-10-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-07299  
 Gloria Ayala, 10514 Coloma Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under

the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Chocoglo" 10514 Coloma Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 28, 2023  
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 CHOCOGLO 11-10-23

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV007614

Miguel Gutierrez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Khaled Adel Awad to Khaled Adel Awad-Gutierrez.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: August 29, 2023  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: Sept 29, Oct 6, 13, 20, 2023  
 KHALED 10-20-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV007245

Sophia Grace Jackson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sophia Grace Jackson to Pharen Grey Jackson.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: August 18, 2023  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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 SOPHIA 10-20-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV009033

Ahmad Jamshid Jamshid and Wazhma Jamshid has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mehran Jamshid to Mehran Amini and Mehria Jamshid to Mehria Amini and Abdul Waris Jamshid to Waris Amini and Nehan Jamshid to Nehan Amini and Ahmad Jamshid Jamshid to Ahmad Jamshid Amini and Wazhma Jamshid.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 29, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: August 30, 2023  
 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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 DEEBA 10-20-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV007644

Deeba Khorami has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Deeba Khorami to Deeba Kamal.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 29, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: August 30, 2023  
 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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 DEEBA 10-20-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV005949

Maria Christina Santos-Coy has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Maria Christina Santos-Coy to Christina Santos-Coy.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: August 3, 2023  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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 COY 10-27-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV009004

No Given Name Kulwinder Singh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of No Given Name Kulwinder Singh to Kulwinder Singh Beesla.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: September 26, 2023  
 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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 SINGH 11-3-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV009201

Jawid Ali Ahmadi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jawid Ali Ahmadi to Jawid Ahmadi and Faria Ali Ahmadi to Faria Ahmadi and Mohammad Elham Ali Ahmadi to Mohammad Elham Ahmadi and Aysha Ali Ahmadi to Aysha Ahmadi and Asonat Ali Ahmadi to Asonat Ahmadi.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 4, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: September 28, 2023  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV009028

Cianna Hamilton has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Faith Villareal Hamilton-Smith to Faith Villareal Hamilton.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: September 26, 2023  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #2



# Generating Food Insecurity Awareness During Hunger Action Month

## Dollar General News Release

### SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- In the U.S., 34 million people are food insecure and more than a quarter of them are children. While every community faces food insecurity, rural communities bear the heaviest burden with a lack of retail options for food.

During Hunger Action Month, Dollar General is spotlighting

several avenues in which the Company is addressing food insecurity. Since 2021, DG has partnered with Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger-relief organization, to donate more than \$3 million as well as in-kind food donations, providing more than 13.4 million meals. DG seeks to contribute up to 20 million meals each year at full operational capacity.

In California, Through August

2023, more than 725,000 pounds of food have been donated to local Feeding American partner food banks in California communities.

"Dollar General's rural footprint allows us to serve communities other retailers either cannot or have chosen not to serve," said Denine Torr, vice president of corporate social responsibility and philanthropy. "Approximately 80% of our stores are in communities

of 20,000 or fewer people. We are humbled to be able to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors through the donation of nutritious foods."

Collectively, DG stores and distribution centers have donated approximately 9.4 million pounds of food in the first eight months of the year across 34 states, which equates to more than 7 million meals in the communities the Company calls home.

While Dollar General is not a grocer, the Company cares about and is invested in the well-being of the nearly 20,000 communities it serves. Today, approximately 75% of Americans are within five miles of a DG. With its expansive store footprint across 47 states, Dollar General is uniquely positioned to combat hunger by offering convenient access to a variety of nutritious foods at affordable prices. ★

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV009350

Rakshya Shrestha and Bhaskar Ale has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Bivan Ale to Bivan Shrestha Ale.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 11, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: October 3, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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ALE 11-3-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV009335

Tatyana Ovcharenko has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Elia Ovcharenko to Elijah Ovcharenko.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 11, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: October 3, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 2023  
OVCHARENKO 11-10-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV009249

Regina Ayers has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Regina Ayers to Regina Kay Ayers.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 10, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: September 28, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 2023  
AYERS 11-10-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV009021

Justin Tracy Grimm has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Justin Tracy Grimm to Justin Tracy Hudspeth.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: September 26, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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JUSTIN 11-10-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV008542

Jay Erickson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Raen Anthony Stonich to Raen Anthony Erickson.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 13, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: September 14, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court

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ERICKSON 11-10-23

### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARNETTE ANN DIAZ CASE NO. 23PR000390

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Marnette Ann Diaz.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Gina Frisby, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Gina Frisby be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows October 26, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Gina Frisby, 5708 Alloway Street, Sacramento, CA 95835; 916-671-9359  
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FRISBY 10-20-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONNA ENOMOTO CASE NO. 23PR001183

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Donna Enomoto.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Sherwin Chin, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Sherwin Chin be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the Personal Representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the Personal Representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as fol-

lows November 15, 2023, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Jason E. Chong, 3255 W. March Lane Suite 210, Stockton, CA 95219; 209-466-6735  
Publish: October 13, 20 and 27, 2023  
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ROBERT STAFFARONI AKA ROBERT L. STAFFARONI CASE NO. 23PR000769

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Robert Staffaroni aka Robert L. Staffaroni.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Tracy Hill, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Tracy Hill be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the Personal Representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the Personal Representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows December 6, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Kelley A. Way, 150 N. Wiget Lane #210, Walnut Creek, CA 94598; 925-357-8845  
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STAFFARONI 10-27-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KATHRIN E. BUTTERS CASE NO. 23PR001154

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Kathrin E. Butters.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kathryn A. Smith, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Kathryn A. Smith be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the Personal Representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the Personal Representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows October 31, 2023, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Valerie M. Logsdon, Esq., 470 S. Auburn Suite B, Grass Valley, CA 95945; 530-272-7207  
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BUTTERS 10-27-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF TEENA MANN CASE NO. 23PR001478

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Teena Mann.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Aminderjit Singh Mann, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Aminderjit Singh Mann be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the Personal Representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the Personal Representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Ali Gexiafong Moua, 1104 Corporate Way, Sacramento, CA 95831; 916-333-7498  
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2023-03711

The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: American Gas & Liquor, 5682 Main Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662.

Arshkeerat Inc, 5376 Calabria Way, Sacramento, CA 95835.

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 5/17/2023 in the County of Sacramento.

Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 5/17/2023.  
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2022-00626

The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Los Angeles Plumbing & Sewer, 168 Private Road 3814, Springtown, TX 76082.

Trinidad Paul Veyna, 168 Private Road 3814, Springtown, TX 76082.

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 1/27/2022 in the County of Sacramento.

Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 1/27/2022.  
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The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: LA Sewer Repair, 168 Private Road 3814, Springtown, TX 76082.

Trinidad Paul Veyna, 168 Private Road 3814, Springtown, TX 76082.

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 1/27/2022 in the County of Sacramento.

Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 1/27/2022.  
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Interested parties can download the Request for Qualification (RFQ) at the City's website: <http://www.citrusheights.net/Bids.aspx>. Proposers shall carefully examine the entire RFQ and any addenda thereto, and all related materials and data referenced in the RFQ or otherwise available, and shall become fully aware of the nature and the conditions to be encountered in performing the services. Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) shall be submitted in the manner specified in the RFQ. Submittal deadline is **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2023.**

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The City of Citrus Heights reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to accept any or all Proposals, as deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Citrus Heights.

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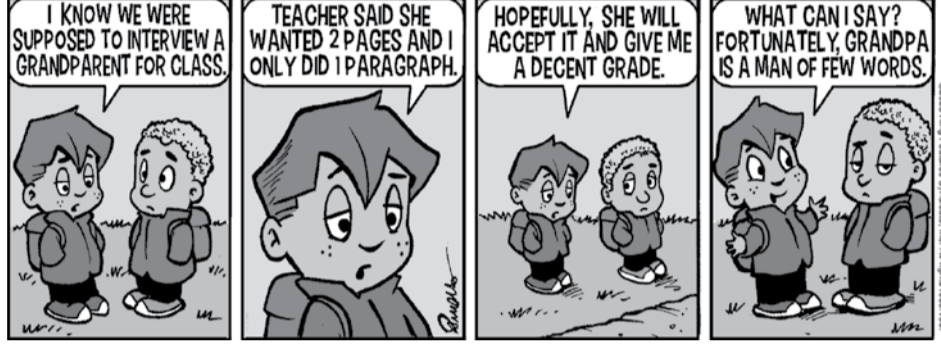
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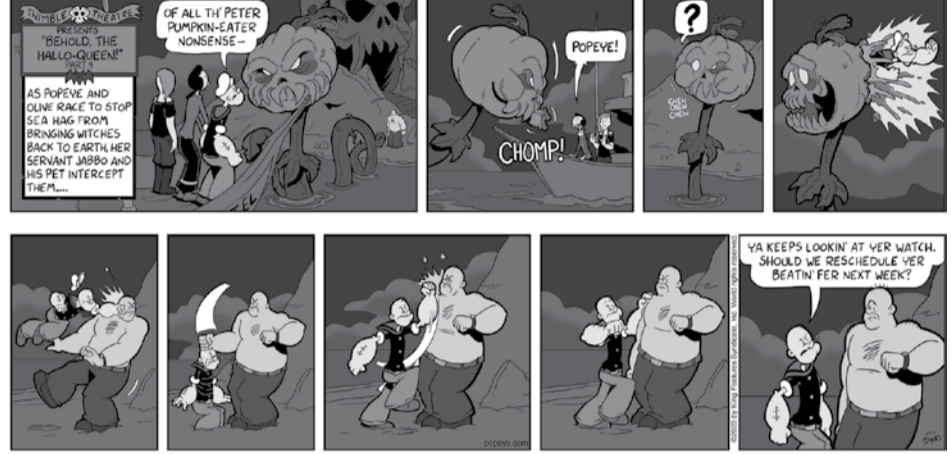
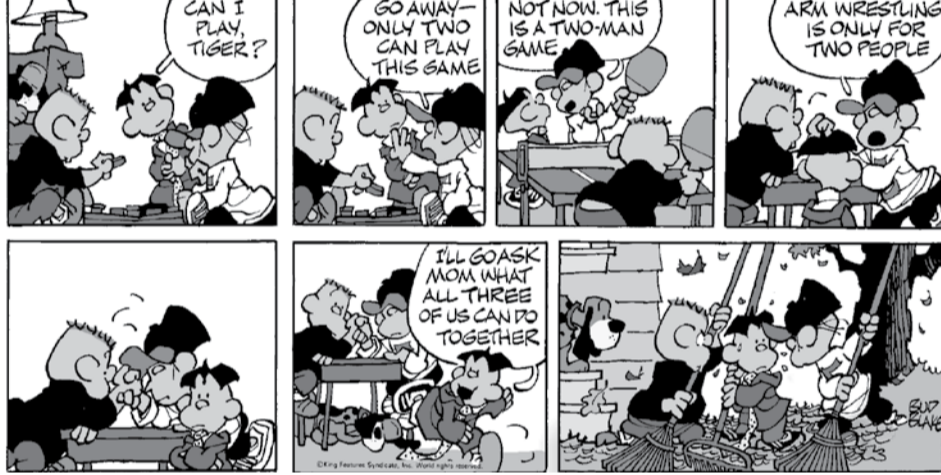
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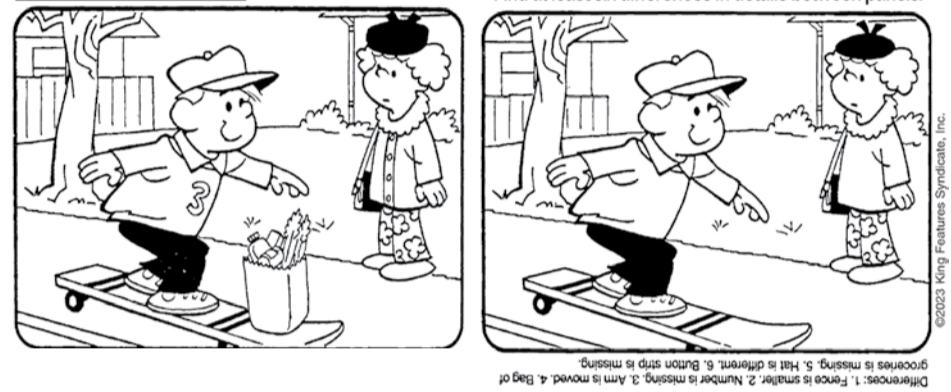
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# Legislature Passes Landmark Tax on Firearm Manufacturers and Dealers

*From the Office of Jesse Gabriel*

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On September 7th, 2023, the California State Legislature passed Assembly Bill (AB) 28, a landmark measure that would impose an 11 percent excise tax on firearms and ammunition sold by gun manufacturers and dealers. Having cleared both the Assembly and Senate by a 2/3 supermajority vote, AB 28 – which is officially known as the *Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Act* – is on its way to Governor Newsom’s desk.

Authored by Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel (D - Encino), Chair of the Legislature’s Gun Violence Prevention Working Group, AB 28 would generate over \$150 million annually to fund school safety and violence prevention programs, including initiatives to prevent school shootings, bolster firearm investigations, reduce retaliatory violence, and remove guns from domestic abusers.

“I am grateful that a supermajority of the Legislature voted today to fund critical programs that will save lives and protect communities across the State of California,” said Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel. “It’s beyond shameful that gun manufacturers are reaping record profits at the same time that gun violence has become the leading cause of death for kids in the United States. *The Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Act* will help to ensure that we have the tools and resources necessary to better protect our kids and our communities.”

“California has a long history of paving the way for effective methods of reducing gun violence. It’s an undisputed leader in the fight for gun safety, and I am proud GIFFORDS has worked alongside gun violence prevention groups across the state and members of the legislature, including Assemblymember Gabriel, to help advocate for the state’s latest effort.” said former Congresswoman Gabby Giffords. “We urge Governor Newsom to prioritize the safety of California’s

kids and communities and sign *The Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Act*, a top priority for the gun violence prevention movement.”

Since AB 28 was introduced at the beginning of the current legislative session, the United States has experienced hundreds of mass shootings, including horrific incidents in Monterey Park and Half Moon Bay. A recent report by the American Academy of Pediatrics found that the firearm death rate for American children increased 40 percent between 2018 and 2021.

“California is again proving why the Golden State leads the country on gun safety legislation. Imposing a modest tax on firearm and ammunition sales to provide sustained and increased funding for violence intervention and prevention programs will help us better protect our communities from gun violence.” said Kris Brown, President of Brady. “Providing long-term investments in these initiatives is a proven way to stop gun violence before it begins. Brady thanks Assemblymember Gabriel and other bill sponsors for introducing this first of its kind tax bill, and calls on Governor Newsom to cement California’s position as a leader in the fight against gun violence and sign *The Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Act*”

“California continues to lead the nation when it comes to gun safety. This bill will take that leadership one step further by providing essential resources to life-saving programs - including the California Violence Intervention and Prevention grant program - which rightfully centers solutions from the communities most impacted by our gun violence crisis,” said Angela Ferrell-Zabala, executive director of Moms Demand Action. “Since the introduction of this bill our grassroots army has been committed to working with our gun-sense champions to get it across the finish line. I urge Governor Gavin Newsom to continue his commitment to public safety and sign this bill into law for the well-being of all Californians.” ★

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# Local Teacher Brings Magic to Citrus Heights



The Rays bring music and magic to children and families in Citrus Heights. Photo courtesy of Joshua Ray

By Tamara Warta

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Teaching is often a thankless profession, with long hours and working to balance the learning experience for children from all walks of life. However, one teacher from Citrus Heights is not only shining as an educator but finding ways to give to the community as well. Some may say Joshua Ray is magic – literally. The fifth grade Orchard Elementary teacher is also a local magician.

Ray's interest in magic started in junior high while spending time with his magician uncle.

"I learned a few tricks, mostly using stuff from around the house," says Ray.

The magic bug bit again when Ray's daughter was around four

years old and the family went to see a production of Sherlock Holmes at B Street Theater.

"On the way home, she was super excited and wanted to get a Sherlock Holmes costume," recounts Ray. The excitement took them into the now defunct Grand Illusions, whose owner was also a magician. After seeing a few demos during their shopping trip, Ray decided to get back into magic, and 10 years later he's still enjoying sharing it with others.

Teaching and magic naturally go together for Ray, who has worked with children for well over 20 years.

"I've always been in a teaching position," says Ray. "Even in high school I worked at different camps and volunteered my time. I worked at a hearing impaired school and taught

guitar lessons."

Magic is implemented in the classroom, but in practical ways instead of a behavior incentive. He will use it as an introduction for particular units of study and has also held lunch hour and after school magic clubs.

"I don't usually think of it as a reward, this is just something that we do."

Ray has also recently created his first magic trick called Lucky Ladybug. Working with friend Buck Bowen, who started the company Murphy's Magic, Lucky Ladybug is based on a few different sleight of hand tricks already out there, but which usually involve spiders or cockroaches.

"[Other versions have been] more of a prank than a trick," explained Ray, "I took that trick and transformed it into

something magical. [The recipient] not the victim, but the star."

Lucky Ladybug took about two years to develop, with Ray using handmade cards and crafting his own ladybugs. The trick has since sold over 400 units, with each purchaser receiving 20 ladybugs to use. Trick inventing is new to Ray, who is currently researching a few other ideas.

"I've never considered myself an inventor. My forte has always been performance and storytelling."

Performing is indeed a passion of Ray's. He and his wife Jennifer, who both work at Orchard Elementary, run a Friday "morning sing" at the school, where they encourage the students' social and emotional development by teaching them

songs that carry out to the playground, into the halls and beyond.

The Rays are also the creators and stars of Sing Show Live, an online family-friendly, kid-focused music show that started out as live performances in the Ray's garage pre-COVID. It started out for friends and family, but then expanded into a larger audience. Today, there are approximately 90 episodes available to watch [singshowlive.com](http://singshowlive.com).

Ray also performs at events put on by the Citrus Heights ArtBeat, as well as private shows. Seeing the delight on faces because of whimsical tricks like Lucky Ladybug has jumpstarted his love of performing, and he hopes to do more of that - and of course, teaching - in the years to come. You can follow his work at [Joshuaraymagic.com](http://Joshuaraymagic.com). ★

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# Annual Volunteer Event Refreshes Landscaping

Story and photos by Thomas J. Sullivan

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - An enthusiastic group of between 100 and 125 volunteers, young and old, representing a wide range of local community groups and churches, spent their Saturday morning, October 14th helping to revitalize tree bark along a substantial portion of Fountain Square Drive near Citrus Heights City Hall.

The city's annual volunteer event started at 8:30 am and concluded at 12:30 pm with the planting of a tree in celebration of the city's designation as Tree City USA.

In all, volunteers spread some 2,200 yards of new decorative "Citrus Heights Coconut Brown" bark along 3,000 linear feet of landscaped beds along the side of Fountain Square Drive, the rough distance of three football fields when they were done.

But you didn't know the city of Citrus Heights has its own officially named tree bark, said Armando Velasquez, assistant maintenance-inspector for the City of Citrus Heights who has overseen the annual fall volunteer event for the past 12 years.

"Our local supplier who works with us... also sells that popular variety of tree bark to the public under that Citrus Heights name," he said.

Some fifty piles of rich brown bark were dropped off the day before the event, Velasquez said.

He watched from the sidewalk as volunteers swiftly filled and emptied wheelbarrows full of fresh bark and moved them into position before others raked the new bark into place. Days before, tree trimming crews also finished their fall pruning work, tending to trees along Fountain Square Drive.

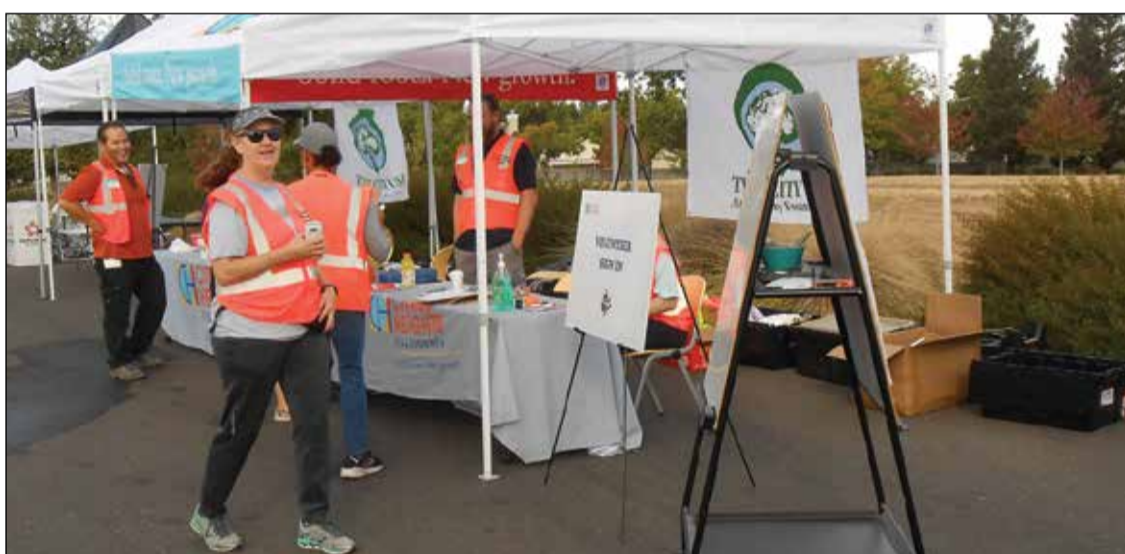
"We pick a different location every year throughout the city," Velasquez said. "All of the materials were provided by our sponsors. There are no city funds involved."



Yellow vested volunteers spread about fifty piles of rich brown bark with rakes and shovels.



Volunteers spread approximately 2,200 yards bark along 3,000 linear feet of landscaped beds along the side of Fountain Square Drive.



Participating sponsors provided raffle prizes and gift cards for volunteers helping out. The City also treated them to a continental breakfast and a pizza lunch Saturday, October 14th.

Volunteers made quick work of spreading decorative bark along the right side of Fountain Square Drive from Citrus Heights City Hall towards the roundabout at Van Maren Park before then directing their efforts along the right side of Stock Ranch Road.

Others placed bark along the opposite side of the roundabout.

Along Stock Ranch Road, a front loader scooped and placed buckets of bark into position as yellow vested volunteers waited in turn with rakes and shovels to help place it.

Velasquez especially thanked the many volunteers and event sponsors who have helped make the annual fall volunteer event such a success, each and every year.

"I'm proud to be a part of it, and I look forward to this event every year," he said.

Participating sponsors included Aba Daba Rentals, Arrow Construction, Biondi Paving, Inc., California Landscape Services, Citrus Heights Car Wash, Citrus Heights Mower Shop, Citrus Heights Water District - Board of Directors, Coastline Water Resources, J&A Steam Cleaning, Linmoore Fencing, MCE, Republic Services, Sunrise Recreation and Parks and West Coast Arborists.

Ash Feeney, Citrus Heights City Manager turned a few shovels of bark with fellow volunteers before departing to attend the first Citrus Heights ArtBeat event in the MarketPlace at Birdcage later Saturday morning.

Volunteers were treated to a continental breakfast when they signed in, and enjoyed a hot pizza lunch when their work was done. The city's Beautification Crew truck and its Block Party rental trailer were also on display.

Many also took their chances on a wide range of raffle prizes, including gift cards which were donated by the participating sponsors. ★

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