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# Dog Trainer Bags Mayoralty



Soon-to-be Carmichael Honorary Mayor Miranda Viani gets smiling congratulations from Citrus Heights Police Department canine, Butter.

Story and photos by Susan Maxwell Skinner

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - Miranda Viani's campaign for Honorary Carmichael Mayor is reaching a tail end.

Because she ran unopposed for the appointment and has met Chamber of Commerce fundraising obligations, the dog trainer will don the mayoral sash and begin her year of civic duties in January. "It's been hard work, but the journey was worth it." savs Viani. "I'm excited to work more in the community."

Lack of a rival meant no less work for the 43-year-old. Her fundraisers included raffles, a whisky tasting, an artists' paint-and-sip night, wine pulls, a self-defense class and several restaurant events. The campaign ended with a bring-your-dog meet-up and a photo opportunity with Santa.

She will split funds between the Chamber and her favorite non-profit: Hearts for Heroes USA. The national organization provides therapy dogs for police and fire stations - also for hospitals, courtrooms and other first-responder agencies.

The cause is close to Viani's heart. My business has trained service and therapy dogs for more than 20 years," she explains. "First responders have stressful jobs. Teams and individuals are enormously helped by companionship of a dog. They have a way of understanding us; they can tell when a person needs them. They instinctively give pressure therapy by leaning against people; by lying on them and allowing petting. These simple actions bring relief. They help with children, and they can be an icebreaker for outreach among the

"I have two dogs, myself. One helps me to calm down and stay in focus. The other keeps me energized.

Viani graduated from Elk Grove High School and got a math and Continued on page 11

# **United Way Seeks Holiday Gifts** for San Juan Foster Families

By Kristin Thébaud, Thébaud **Communications** 

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Community members can help foster youth and their families in San Juan Unified School District in Sacramento by purchasing gifts and other needed items for United Way California Capital Region's upcoming San JUANderful Holiday Party. Families attending the invitation-only event will have the opportunity to choose from gift cards, household items, shelf-stable groceries, toys and children's clothes. Items are needed by Dec. 11 and can be purchased through United Way's wishlists: www. YourLocalUnitedWay.org/

HolidayGiving. "At United Way, we believe families know what they need to thrive, and we are here to provide support," said Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region. "We have

been providing academic



California Capital Region for local foster youth. This holiday season, United Way is seeking gift donations for San Juan Unified School District foster families. Photo courtesy of Thébaud Communications

support to foster families in the San Juan Unified School District this year, and we are thrilled to offer this holiday market so the families we have worked with can choose gifts and other items that will best prepare their foster youth for success in school and later in life. We hope our community will join us in supporting these wonderful families during this holiday season."

United Way's Foster Youth Support program with San Juan Unified School District provides academic intervention and supportive services to district foster youth in kindergarten through eighth grade. Primarily funded through a grant from the Sacramento County Department of Child, Family and Adult Services,

with each student and their team of caregivers, family, teachers and counselors to connect youth and caregivers to school and community resources, including transportation support, academic assistance, health services, behavioral health support, housing, food, clothing and more. United Way also provides literacy tutoring Continued on page 2

### Sac County **Health Center Earns Three Quality Awards**

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Health Center is now proudly displaying three Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Community Health Quality Badges, exemplifying the strong dedication of our Primary Health Services team to providing exceptional healthcare for our community. These awards from HRSA recognize the County's commitment to delivering high-quality healthcare, prioritizing patient-centered services, and continuously striving for improvement. They serve as acknowledgement of the collective efforts and dedication of our entire team in ensuring that our patients receive the highest standard of care. Over the last year, we have made significant progress in enhancing accessibility, refining operations, and elevating the quality of our healthcare services, these awards are the results of the tirelessly hard work of the Primary Health

"I couldn't be more proud of our team and their relentless dedication to providing exceptional healthcare services to our community," says Tim Lutz, Health Services Director. "Receiving three HRSA Community Health Quality Badges is a testament to the hard work and commitment of every staff member, provider, partner, and volunteer. It is a recognition of the outstanding care they provide to our

patients each day." The HRSA Community Health Quality Badges represent a significant milestone in the Health Center's journey towards excellence in healthcare. It underscores Health Service's ongoing commitment to improving healthcare outcomes, reducing health disparities, and serving the community with the highest standards of care. CHQR badges recognize Health Center Program awardees that have made notable achievements in the areas of access, quality, health equity, health information technology, social risk factors screening, and COVID-19 public health emergency response. For more information on CHQR badges, visit the CHQR Overview page and the CHQR FAQ page. This achievement is a

collective effort, a result of the steadfast work of every individual involved in the Health Center's operations. The awards are not just a

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# Women's Empowerment to Hold Holiday Gift Drive

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By Kristin Thébaud, Thébaud Communications

### SACRAMENTO CA (ME

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Local residents can provide joy and winter items to Sacramento women and children who have experienced homelessness by contributing to Women's Empowerment's annual Holiday Gift Drive. The nonprofit is seeking winter hats, socks and gloves for all ages from infant to adult, as well as teen gifts, \$25 Target and Walmart gift cards, holiday candy, and empty medium and large gift bags. For those who prefer to make a financial donation, the average cost of a gift package is \$40, but any amount is helpful. Women's Empowerment especially needs gift cards, gifts for teens, and winter hats for teens and adults. Items are needed at Women's Empowerment, 1590 North A Street in Sacramento, by Dec. 11. For more information, visit www.womens-empowerment.org.

"The holidays can be especially challenging

dren we serve who are working to overcome homelessness," said Lisa Culp, executive director, Women's Empowerment. "We want the women and children in our program to experience joy this holiday season, as well as warmth in the face of a cold, wet winter. Our annual Holiday Gift Drive not only gives people the chance to provide care and hope for those who have been unhoused, it tells each woman and child in our program that they are important to their community."

Items will be distributed to families at Women's Empowerment's upcoming Holiday Craft Party in mid-December where women and children will create gifts for family and friends. At the event, mothers also will have the opportunity to choose gifts for their children, thanks to a toy drive being held by California State Assemblymember Kevin McCarty, District 6.

"At Women's Empowerment, we believe there is dignity in giving,"

Culp said. "So often unhoused women and children do not have the resources to give gifts to their loved ones. We are grateful that this community helps us ensure they have that joyful and proud experience of giving."

Women's Empowerment provides a two-month employment-readiness and empowerment program, paid job training, childcare and support services so women and their children can break the generational cycle of homelessness. Women's Empowerment offers the most comprehensive job-readiness program in the Sacramento area designed specifically for women experiencing homelessness and their children. Last year, 121 graduates secured employment or enrolled in paid training or education. Since 2001, 1.837 women have graduated from the program with their 3,894 children. Women's Empowerment is funded through private donations from the community and grants. To make a donation: Womens-Empowerment.org.

### **Winterdance Celtic Christmas Celebration**

Stuart Mason Music News Release

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - A joyful and cherished holiday tradition will return this year, as the 17th Annual Winterdance Celtic Christmas Celebration once again crisscrosses the Golden State for the Yuletide season. Over the years, previous iterations of the show have highlighted Scottish bagpipes and Swedish polskas, but this year the show will spotlight the mandolin and banjo skills of young prodigy Tyler Weed. The band will include his father John Weed on fiddle, Stuart Mason on guitar and bouzouki, Amelia Hogan on vocals and bodhran, and Marisa Gilman once again on Irish dance. This will be a fun and lively evening full of holiday music and youthful energy, led by two veteran members of the west coast Celtic music scene.

John Weed and Stuart Mason have toured and recorded together for



John Weed, Tyler Weed, and Stuart Mason. Photo courtesy of

dozens of years as 2/3 of the highly regarded Celtic band Molly's Revenge, as well as New World String Project, Little Black Train, and other ensembles. Amelia Hogan is an impeccably authentic singer of Celtic music, and her heart comes through in honeved tones on Irish, Scottish, British, and American-styled vocals. Tyler Weed was raised in a musical family, hearing his mother and father playing fiddle since birth. He was taught guitar and banjo licks from "Uncle" Stuart

Mason since his first days strumming a guitar. Marisa Gilman will bring her lively brand of traditional Irish dance to the show, as in previous years. ★





Marisa Gilman. Photo courtesy of

### **Event Details**

Tuesday, Dec. 19
Gen. Admission \$30 adv./\$35 Door
Children (13 and under) \$20 adv./\$25 door
7:00 p.m. (doors open 6:15)
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Carmichael, CA 95608

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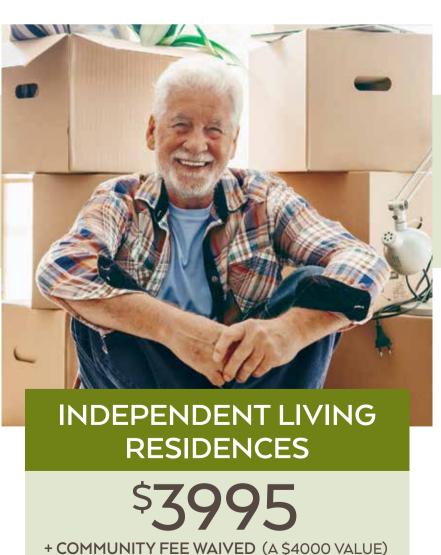
"Despite the challenges brought on by the pandemic, foster youth have shown remarkable resilience facing hurdles in academic achievement, lack of family support and challenges accessing necessary resources at school," Dr. Early said. "Our local United Way has a long history of working with foster youth, providing literacy support and working in schools. This joint effort with the San Juan Unified School District adopts a whole-child focus that builds social and emotional wellbeing and provides trauma-informed support for youth and their families so they can succeed academically."

Founded in 1923, United Way California Capital Region has been a transformative force in the Sacramento community for more than a century, serving Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo counties. The local United Way's Square One approach to ending poverty is grounded in a public health model and uses a threefold strategy to

address community needs from birth and beyond: helping kids excel in school, investing in families and strengthening schools. At United Way's core is the philosophy that families possess the blueprint for their success. United Way supplies books to young children, provides literacy tutoring, addresses housing and food security, leads the region's largest tax preparation initiative and launched Sacramento's first guaranteed income program. United Way works across diverse school districts, providing case management for foster youth and leading the Community Schools initiative in West Sacramento. For more information or to make a donation, visit www. YourLocalUnitedWay.org.

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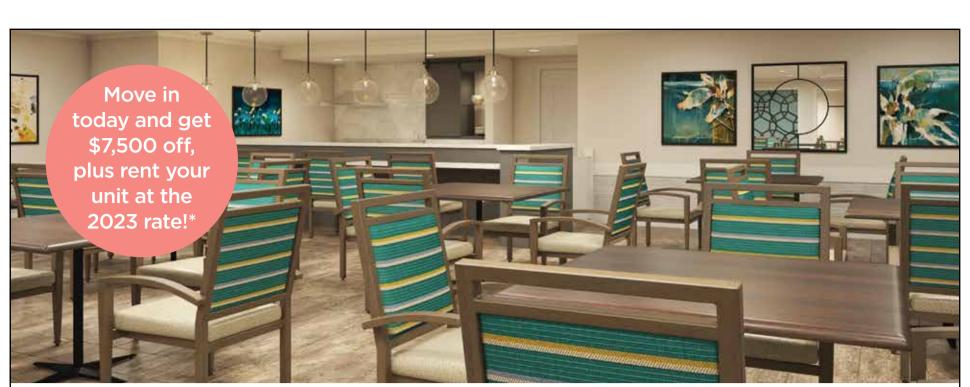


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## What Does Christmas Really Mean?

What does Christmas mean to you? I know its holiday festivities and yummy treats, presents galore and parties to the MAX. And it meant that to me for decades until the pandemic hit big time in 2020. This year especially because so much can change in a blink of an eye to make us see life and celebration so differently. We still do Christmas cards...incredible huh...because I still think a card that arrives via mail and not an email or text has so much more meaning with that little message that you actually took time to write yourself, and not just the generic saying in the card. It can really give life to the holiday. We'll still have some goodies to go with the phone calls and expressions of love to family and friends, but for me, it has really made a big change in my life. I have not shared this with you, but now it seems the right time. You see my husband Rick of nearly 53 years married was diagnosed with stage four lung cancer in March of 2020 just before the pandemic became a reality for us all. It was a shock, but we held out hope for all this time with clinical trials and new drugs etc. but now we really don't know what is going to happen. You see he is now in hospice at home. He decided after so many hospital stays that home is where he wanted to be. Don't get me wrong Sacramento Hospice has been great. They are caring and give all the comfort that they can with nurses, health

aides, social workers, even a chaplain for comfort and more.

But now is the time that we have left to look back at the wonderful experiences we had together with cruises, family get-togethers (very small family) all the events we attended over the years from theatre to concerts to, well, you name it. But the best part of it was being together. And that includes the special times I have had over some 48 years in radio and television. Rick and I have enjoyed so many great celebrities all the way back to Rock Hudson, Marian Ross of Happy Days fame) and so many more I can mention from movies to television, even some politicals. And Rick was always my rock. He was cameraman for many of my TV shows and was behind the camera on locations. Always wanted him on my camera. Why? Because he always made me look good. And he was always there for me through good times and bad. Together we made it through thick and thin. So now comes the challenge in the commitment we made on that sacred day so many years ago...in sickness and in health.

Why do I share this journey with you? Because I urge you to cherish every single day with the one you love. You never know when the good Lord will make the call. Please keep us in your prayers and have a BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL AND TO ALL GOOD CHEER!!! ★

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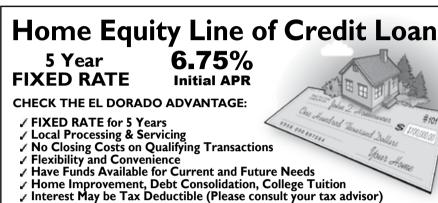
recognition but a reminder of the responsibility the Health Center holds towards the community. It is a call to continue the mission to provide top-notch healthcare services, promote community health, and ensure that everyone has access to the care they deserve.

The Sacramento County Health Center is a County operated Federally Qualified Health Center that provides primary care and behavioral health services to low-income residents of Sacramento County. Services provided at the health center include: adult primary care, family medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatric primary care, preventative health care, psychiatry and mental health counseling, specialty care, chronic disease management, communicable disease screening, on-site laboratory and radiology, and assistance with obtaining health care coverage.

With these three HRSA Community Health Quality Badges proudly displayed, the Sacramento County Health Center looks forward to a future of continued growth, improved services, and even greater achievements in providing exceptional healthcare to the community.





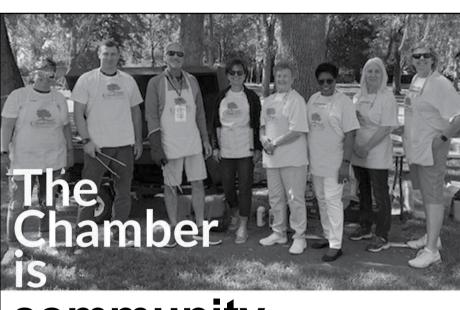


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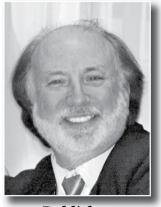




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# Kings Korner By V.G. Harris



Welcome to the first ever edition of Kings Korner.

For those of you faithful sports fans, and in particular Sacramento Kings fans who still find eating breakfast on a Sunday morning with a paper in your hand a salubrious experience, I welcome you one and all.

Can it be just seven short years since the Kings were rescued from the Siberia called Seattle, and placed inexorably in the fabulous confines of technical wonder, Golden 1 Center?

True, we suffered through several losing seasons and more than one questionable draft choice, but memories of past bad experiences fade quickly when your team transforms into a kaleidoscope of positivity.

Last season's 48 wins did more than just get our attention. It ignited an energy that has awakened the base and brought with it new fans that had only an anemic interest in the past.

Recent years brought new faces and crowd favorites such as De'Aaron Fox, Malik Monk, Keegan Murray, and the acquisition of All-Star Domantas Sabonis was the missing piece the Kings have been looking for, for years. Trading fan favorite Tyrese Haliburton for Domantas Sabonis was controversial, and at the time shocking for many Kings fans, but leading the NBA in rebounds and double-double's convinced many that the organization had finally made a trade that would elevate the Kings to the next level.

Whether your favorite player is Domantas Sabonis, De'Aaron Fox, or Sasha Vezenkov, or Davion Mitchell, there is plenty to be happy about with the team we have today.

In years gone by, we would be jumping for joy with a 9-6 record, but Kings fans know with a little luck it could easily be 12-3. Losing back-to-back games in both Houston and New Orleans wasn't on anyone's radar, and if Clay Thompson hadn't hit a last second bucket our Kings record would be the envy of the league.

I remember as a young Kings fan in 1989 feeling lucky just to get a ticket. Those hopeful of becoming a season ticket holder could expect to wait 3-5 years before such an opportunity would arise.

For the past 20 years season tickets have

been in abundance, but no more. The number of wins accumulated this year will no doubt correlate with the depth of the waiting list for season tickets, and many believe the Kings could surpass the 50-win mark for the first time in over 20 years.

Yes, Kings fans, it's fun again to take your family or sweetheart to a game, and with the advent of the high-tempo, high-scoring game the Kings play today, it's by far the hottest ticket in town.

Mike Brown in his first full season of coaching with the Kings brought a winning style of basketball, and by season's end the Kings had amassed the highest point total in the entire NBA.

Sending not one, but two All-Stars to the All-Star game was a highlight of last year's season, and it wouldn't surprise anyone if De'Aaron Fox and Domantas Sabonis did it again.

There remains question marks though, and we will sort them out as the season progresses.

Mike Brown's use of his bench has had many scratching their heads, as crowd favorite Davion Mitchell rode the pine for more than one game before finding himself in the rotation again. Davion, while a streaky scorer, is perhaps the most dependable defensive player on the team, and without a doubt stirs the crowd whenever he enters the game.

Keegan Murray has struggled at times this season to find a consistent 3-point shot, but coach Brown remains committed to Keegan, and it appears to have had a positive effect on his defensive play as well.

De'Aaron Fox may go down as the greatest first-round draft choice in the history of the Kings before his playing days are over, but for the moment we will just be consistently amazed at his lightning speed and acrobatic shot making! Truly a gem, De'Aaron has become an All-Star right before our eyes, and many fans believed his All-Star appearance last season was overdue.

Gear up Kings fans! This is going to be a wild ride, and supplanting the Golden State Warriors as the Northern California #1 team is the first test we will have to face.

If you've enjoyed the first edition of Kings Korner, let me know at vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com.

# **Social Security Matters** *We're Planning to Claim at 62; What Do We Need to Know?*



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: My wife (born May 1962) and I (born April 1963) are retired and will soon be looking to start collecting our Social Security as we each hit 62. As this is new to us, I'm wondering what things we may need to be aware of or consider as we get closer to her 62 birthday in May. Any advice or information will be appreciated! Signed: Planning Ahead

Dear Planning: If you and your wife are both retired from working and have decided to start your (reduced) Social Security as soon as you are eligible at age 62, then there is nothing you need to do in advance of applying. The Social Security retirement benefit amount for each of you will be determined by your individual lifetime earnings record and your age when you claim. If either of you will be eligible for a spousal boost from the other, that will be automatically applied when both of you are collecting.

If your wife plans to claim her Social Security as soon as she is eligible, she should apply for her benefits about 3 months in advance and choose the option on the application which states "I

want benefits beginning with the earliest possible month and will accept an age-related reduction." For information, an applicant must be 62 for an entire month to get benefits, so your wife's first month of eligibility will be June 2024. Social Security deals only in whole months and pays benefits in the month following the month earned; so if your wife's birthday is between the 11th and 20th of the month her first Social Security payment will be received in her bank account on the third Wednesday of July. All subsequent payments will be on that same schedule. Then, when it's time for you to claim, you should follow the same process as your wife and, if either of you is entitled to a higher amount as a spouse, it will be automatically applied when your benefits later start.

Applying for benefits is a relatively simple process if done online at www. ssa.gov/apply. Note that to apply online your wife will need to first create her personal "my Social Security" account, which is easy to do at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. To prepare for applying later, you can also create your personal online account now (it's required to apply online), at which you will see what your estimated benefit will be at different ages. Of course, your wife first (and later you) can also call Social Security at 1.800.772.1213 to request an appointment to apply for SS retirement benefits in person. Applications which are not

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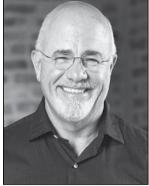
your online account). One important thing to be aware of: By claiming at age 62, the monthly payment for each of you will be 70% of what it would be at your full retirement age (FRA) and that is a permanent reduction. If you expect at least average longevity - about 84 for you and 87 for your wife - and if it is financially feasible, then waiting longer to claim would yield a higher monthly amount as well as the most in cumulative lifetime benefits. For those with an FRA of 67, SS retirement benefits claimed at FRA are 30% higher than at 62 and, if claimed at 70 are 75% more than at 62. And, although the decision on when to claim is always personal, a married couple should also evaluate their joint needs when deciding.

One final word of caution: although you and your wife are now retired from working, be aware that if you claim SS benefits before your FRA and return to work, Social Security has an earnings test which limits how much you can earn before some benefits are taken away. The earnings test lasts until you reach your full retirement age.

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Be Gentle, He's Moving in the Right Direction

Dear Dave,

We're following your Baby Steps plan, and we've paid off all our credit cards. But when I talked to my husband the other day about cutting up the cards and closing the accounts, he said he would rather keep the accounts open, and the cards locked away in a drawer for use as an emergency fund. He says this will help us have an emergency fund in place quicker than saving for one. I think there's more behind his reasoning, though. He grew up in a very poor family, and I wonder if he's not afraid of somehow ending up in that kind of situation again. What can I do to convince him to follow your advice?

– Ramona

### **Dave Ramsey Says**

Dear Ramona,

I think you're a very per-

ceptive lady. You said your husband grew up in poverty, right? So, what I'm hearing is the cards represent almost a security blanket for him-a financial security blanket. I get that, but here's the thing. If you had a fully funded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses sitting in the bank, I'm talking about hard cold cash, you'd have the security of knowing that the expense of a new air conditioning unit or transmission for the car would only be a minor inconvenience. And, you'd be able to cover it easily without going back into debt.

Instead of actively trying to convince him of something, a better route might be to sit down together and talk through the whole thing. Explain to him you think you know why he feels the way he does, and that it's understandable. Then, ask him if there's a reasonable amount you two could have in the bank that would help him

stop worrying. Discuss it, agree on an amount and then agree to cut the cards up and close the accounts when you reach that figure. Remind him, too, you'd still have your debit cards in hand in the event of an emergency.

Above all, Ramona, make sure you work together. Be patient and understanding. If he has recognized the wisdom of getting rid of debt and taking control of your finances, he's moving in the right direction!

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling 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.

# First Installment of Property Taxes Due December 11

Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The deadline for paying the first installment of your 2023-2024 Sacramento County property taxes is coming up very soon. Payments are due no later than December 11, 2023. Late payments will incur a 10 percent penalty for each tax bill. Partial payments are not accepted.

Payment must be received in the Tax Collector's Office by 5 p.m. on December 11, 2023, postmarked with a legal postmark or paid through our website by December 11, 2023. The Tax Collector also wants to remind property owners to include the appropriate installment payment stub from the tax bill or website or write the parcel number of the property on the check being submitted to make sure that you receive proper credit for the payment.

Payment may be mailed to P.O. Box 508, Sacramento, CA 95812-0508. Be sure to mail your payment early enough to ensure a timely postmark and avoid penalties.

### Making Payments

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To avoid penalties, transactions made either on the internet or over the telephone, must be completed before midnight on the payment pay-by date. Please plan ahead and do not wait until the last minute to make your payment. If you are unable to get through on the internet or telephone, causing you to miss the payment deadline, penalties will NOT be waived. Please verify your data entry very carefully when making online payments. If your payment is rejected by your financial institution FOR ANY REASON, you will be charged a \$53.00 return payment fee as well as penalties if your payment is rejected after the due date.

Payments may also be made at the Tax Collector's Office, located at 700 H Street, Room 1710, Sacramento, CA 95814 by cash, check, money order, credit card or pin debit card. The County does not accept in-person e-check payments at this time. The convenience fee to pay by credit card is 2.29% and the fee to pay by pin debit is \$1.95. If you elect to pay in the office and have your payment stubs (coupons), you may go directly to the cashier located at 700 H Street, Room 1703, Sacramento, CA

If you use your bank's Online Bill Pay service, a paper check will be printed and mailed to the Tax Collector. Because the check is sent without a payment stub, please enter the parcel number, current year's bill number and installment being paid in the online account number field for payment identification. The date on the check issued by your bank is considered the postmark, make sure you are aware of the banks timeline, on issuing the check. Some banks take 5 to 7 business days before the check is issued, and penalties will apply if the check is dated after December 11, 2023.

#### How to Obtain Information About Your Tax Bill

If you have not received a tax bill, you can obtain your tax bill information and payment stubs (coupons) at the Tax Collector's website, over the automated telephone system or by contacting the Tax Collector's Office at

(916) 874-6622.

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Failure to receive a tax bill does not

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# SacRT Unveils 2023 Holiday Bus

SacRT News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - It is a festive milestone as the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) proudly unveils the 2023 Holiday Bus. The 40-foot holiday-themed bus celebrates SacRT's 50 years of service and is aimed to bring the spirit of the holiday season to riders throughout the Sacramento region.

throughout the Sacramento region.

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## **Newsom Chides Ohio GOP for Trying to Change Voting Rules Yet Adopts the Same Tactics**



By Dan Walters. **CALMatters.org** 

After Ohio voters approved a state constitutional amendment to protect abortion rights last month, California Gov. Gavin Newsom chided Ohio's Republicans for trying to change voting rules to thwart the abortion measure.

GOP political figures had placed a measure on an August election ballot that would have raised the minimum vote needed to pass an abortion rights amendment from a simple majority to 60%, but it had been defeated.

What happened – or rather didn't happen – in August was pivotal to what happened three months later. The abortion rights amendment was passed with 56.6% of the votes cast. In other words, had the anti-abortion Republicans succeeded in raising the approval threshold to 60%, November's measure would have failed.

"Here's a tale of a party out of touch with the American people," Newsom declared on X, formerly Twitter. "Ohio Republicans were so desperate to block abortion access they tried to change the rules in a special election and require 60% support to pass constitutional amendments. But they failed.

"Then, they tried to block a ballot initiative to protect abortion rights. They failed

again. Now, they are claiming election interference and are even saying they will strip the Courts of power to overturn the will of voters. Spoiler: You're going to fail, again. They really can't seem to take a hint."

Newsom's crowing about Republican manipulation of voting rules was particularly noteworthy because he and his fellow Democrats in the Legislature are trying to do precisely the same thing to block a business-backed ballot measure that would make it more difficult to raise state and local taxes.

The tax measure is scheduled to appear on the November ballot next year. It would require voter approval of any new taxes passed by the Legislature and twothirds voter approval for local taxes.

The California Constitution currently says that statewide ballot measures need only a simple majority of voters to approve. However, the Legislature has placed another constitutional amendment on the same ballot that, if passed, would require any measure to increase voting thresholds for taxes to reach the same thresholds themselves.

Thus, it would raise the voting requirement for the tax measure to two-thirds, making it much more difficult, or perhaps impossible,

It's part of a multipronged drive by the tax measure's opponents - Newsom, Democratic legislative leaders and public employee unions – to block it from appearing on the ballot or gaining approval.

Newsom, et al, have also filed a lawsuit asking the state Supreme Court to remove the business-backed tax measure from the ballot, contending that it is not merely an amendment to the state constitution but rather a "revision." The court has agreed to hear the case.

While constitutional amendments may be placed before voters either by initiative petition or legislative action, any revisions must be proposed by the Legislature through a constitutional revision commission or by calling a statewide constitutional convention.

Newsom, through a spokesperson, says he is challenging the validity of the tax measure because it would "effectively block the state's ability to quickly respond to major challenges."

Were the state Supreme Court to declare that the tax measure is a constitutional revision, it would be game over. However, the legal dividing line between a constitutional amendment and a revision is hazy, and the court might postpone the issue until after voters have spoken next November.

One can rationally debate the merits or negative aspects of making it more difficult to raise taxes, but trying to strangle such a measure before voters have their say, as occurred in Ohio and is now occurring in California, is troublesome.

Whatever happens – or doesn't - Newsom's criticism of Ohio's Republicans for trying to bend the rules mid-game is pure hypocrisy.

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

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Jeanine M Perkins, 7207 Winter Willow Court, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CA'Jeanine's" 4581 Mack Road, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2023 Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 **JEANINES** 12-22-23 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08263

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08286

Georgiy Tokmakov, 7652 Laguna Beach Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "City Wise Solutions" 7652 Laguna Beach Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2023 Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 12-22-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08671 Dilbag Singh, 250 Touchstone #63, Apt Sacramento, CA 95691 doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Reefer Repair" 1643 Salizar Way, Sacramento,

CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of

Sacramento County November

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STATEMENT FBNF2023-08014 Maggie Lan Thach, 8646 Tegea Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) Brows and Beauty" 2440 Fulton Avenue Suite 10, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 DIVINE 12-22-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08393

Hypnotherapy Sacramento LLC, 4250 H Street Suite 4, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Hypnotherapy/California School Hypnotherapy" 4250 H Street Suite 4. Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023

SACRAMENTO 12-22-23 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08662 Alberto Juarez, 4849 Tomasin Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious **Business** Name(s) "Botanica Obatala" 9317 Lá Riviera, Sacramento, 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 BOTANICA 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08820 Phaya Thai Halal LLC, 4310 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Phaya Thai Halal" Marconi Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 30, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08807 Fatt Catt Tattoo, 5159 Madison Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Business Name(s) Fictitious "Fat Cat Tattoo/Fat Cat Tattoo 916" 5159 Madison Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 29, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23 FAT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08718 Gabriel E Costa III, 7307 Herlong Way, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gabe's Ohana Auto Shop 6807 30th Street Unit-C. North Highlands, CA 95660, Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 27, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 **GABES** 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08684 StarPointe Consulting Inc., 5150 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite 101. Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Empowered Mindset Coaching" 10523 Fair Oaks Boulevard #121, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 22, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 **EMPOWERED** FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08677 Marysol Laguna, 6070 Ehrhardt Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sol Interpreting" 6112 Demonté Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 22, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08719

KS Management & Consulting Services LLC, 2404 Del Paso Road Suite 120, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "KS Consultants" 2404 Del Paso Road Suite 120, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 27, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08347

Todd Rowe, 2660 Night Hawk Way, Camino, CA 95709 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Foothill Vending Services" 2660 Night Hawk Way, Camino, CA 95709. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 7.2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 FOOTHILL FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08589

Taxtime LLC, 7162 Fair Oaks Boulevard Apt 2, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under

the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TaxTime" 2701 Cottage Way Sacramento. 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 TAXTIME FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08361 Drew Berryessa, 9369 Emory Court, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Berryesco" 9369 Emory Court, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed

with the Clerk of Sacramento

County November 7, 2023

Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23 BERRYESCO FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08564 Brandon W Kellev. Broadway Suite A, Placerville, CA 95667 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Classic Muscle" 3341 Fitzgerald Road Suite A, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742, Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 16, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23

CLASSIC FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2023-08700 Debra A Bannister, Keystone Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Butter Me Sourdough" Keystone Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 22, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08057 Roper Food Service, Road #100, Rocklin, CA 95677 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jimbovs Tacos 110" 708 E Bidwell Street, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 30, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 **JIMBOYS** 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08720 Old Roots Inc. 3305 Elkhorn Boulevard North Unit Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Old Roots" Elkhorn Boulevard Unit 8, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 27, 2023 Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023

12-29-23 OLD ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

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**CALIFORNIA** COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV011106 Ioana Cornelia Hiticas has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of

Ioana Cornelia Hiticas to Joanna Dascal and Alessandra Rose Dascal to Evelyn Rose Dascal. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 23, 2024, 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: November 3, 2023 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE **CHANGE OF NAME** #23CV011207 Tiffany Diane Delany-Bierbaum

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has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tiffany Diane Delany-Bierbaum to Tiffany Diane Bierbaum-Yates. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-en-

titled matter appear before this court on January 24, 2024, 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: November 6, 2023 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV011592 Jibril Asim Jelani Bob has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s)

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of Jibril Asim Jelani Bob to Jibril Asim Jelani Kemet. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 31, 2024,

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: November 14, 2023 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 12-15-23

CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV011469 Traci Fonseca and Gerry Remiero have filed a petition

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with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Nico Louis Remeiro to Nico Remeiro

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 31, 2024,

Dated: November 13, 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.

the Superior Court Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 **FONSECA** 12-15-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA** COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

**CHANGE OF NAME** 

#23CV009530 Marcela Itaborai Cabitto has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) Marcela Itaborai Cabitto to Marcela Itaborai Marin. IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-en-

titled matter appear before this court on January 16, 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 6, 2023 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO** ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV010813 Olga Bakin and Valerii Bakin

have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Semion Bakin to Sam IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-en-

titled matter appear before this court on January 18, 2024, 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: October 31, 2023 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE **CHANGE OF NAME** #23CV010302

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Erich Simpson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ronin Reed Walkowsky to Ronin Reed Simpson.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 7, 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: November 6, 2023

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SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA** COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE **CHANGE OF NAME** #23CV001549

Kathy Dawn Mirrione has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kathy Dawn Mirrione to Kathy Dawn Schroeder-Creed.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 28, 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

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not be granted.

12-29-23 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

MICHAEL LOUIS BEYERS CASE NO. 23PR001041 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be oth-

erwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Michael Louis Beyers, Mike Beyers A Petition for Probate has been filed by Lara Beyers, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, request-

ing Jaramie Beyers be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for ex-

amination in the file kept by the 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 December 27, 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 grant-

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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 Petitioner is: Lara Beyers, 4500 Alhambra Drive 136, Davis, CA 95816; 916-559-3332 Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 2023

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARJORIE H. NIXON

CASE NO. 23PR001800 To all heirs, beneficiaries, credi-

tors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Mariorie H. Nixon aka Marjorie Heaton Nixon aka Marjie Nixon

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Jennifer A. Hall and Christina L. Nixon, in the Superior Court of California. County of Sacramento, requesting Jennifer A. Hall 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 December 14, 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 grant ing 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 Petitioner is: Jennifer A. Hall and Christine L. Nixon, 5011 French Creek Road, Shingle Springs, CA 95682; 916-305-0966 Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 2023 NIXON

> NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JAMES KENT CASE NO. 23PR000549

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of James Kent. A Petition for Probate has

been filed by Shelly Kerley, in the Superior Court of California. County of Sacramento, requesting Shelly Kerley 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 January 2, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept Zoom; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826. Teleprescence: https:// saccourt-ca-gov.zoomgov. com/my/sscdept129 Meeting:

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hearing/appearance using the Zoom Application for the above referenced date and time. In order to participate in your Zoom hearing, you must either use a computer or smart device with internet access, and have downloaded the Zoom application. If you do not have compatible technology, then you can attend the hearing using a telephone and calling the designated toll free telephone conference line. You must appear by Zoom Application or Telephone using the designated department account referenced below at least 5 minutes before your scheduled hearing date and time; and wait for a court representative to take roll. Department 129 zoom

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2023-02756

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTI-TIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Two Rivers Photography, 9064 Goldilocks Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Family Industries

Wagner LLC. 9064 Goldilocks Way, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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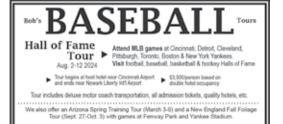
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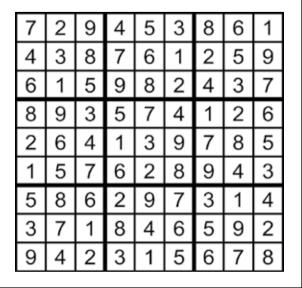


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# **Dog Trainer Bags Mayoralty**



During her mayoral campaign, Miranda Viani (front, center) joins artists for a "paint and sip" fundraiser at the Milagro Centre's River City Brewery.

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science degree at Cosumnes River Community College. "Animals were always a big part in what I did," she says. "As a volunteer with the National Wildlife Foundation, I helped in rescues and rehabilitation of wild animals. I worked as a veterinary assistant for seven years before I turned toward canine behavior as a career." Her Citrus Heights-based All Stage Canine Development facility employs 13 staffers. with occasional assistance from Viani's 11-year-old daughter, Sarah.

"Sarah loves dogs," says her mom. "She helps in group training classes, and she creates our marketing videos. She'll definitely take over the business someday." Among clients are the first-responder pups Miranda helped train for agencies.

"When they come back for a visit, they're always excited to see us." she reports. "Even though they're not supposed to jump up, sometimes they can't help themselves. They're such happy, giving creatures."

Viani entered the mayoralty race to bolster small businesses and to support the community. "I hope my service as mayor will also bring more attention to Hearts for Heroes and for their cause," she says.

Chamber members and the community can certainly expect increased doggie presence with the new mayor on deck. "Dogs are always an asset," says mayor-elect Viani. "They help us decompress. They also give us some wonderful smiles."

Learn about Viani's business at www. allstagecaninedevelopment.com

# **Discussion is Successful at First Racial Equity Summit**



From left to right the summit panel showcases: Ryan Curren Director of Housing, Land and Development at Race Forward; Dr. Walter Wilson CEO at Silicon Valley Minority Business Consortium Panelist; Dr. Sylvester Fadal Director of Personnel Services, Sacramento County; Dr. Mia Settles Tidwell Vice President for Inclusive Excellence, Sacramento State University; Nathan Blacksmith, MBA Chief Traditional Health Officer, Sacramento Native American Health Center's Tribal Affiliation: Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate; and Dr. Olivia Kasirye Public Health Officer, Sacramento County. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

#### Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On stage. Dr. Rohan Radhakrishna began his session at the first Sacramento County Racial Equity Summit at Sacramento State University by capturing the more than 300 attendees' attention when he asked whether they had played the board game Monopoly.

As hands began to rise, he continued by asking everyone to imagine playing the game with a group of people for several hours. The game is heated, and most properties and utilities are already bought. Hotels and homes have taken over the board. However, nearby there are a couple of people who have been excluded; they were pushed away and not allowed to play, and now it's late in the game.

"As you know, a couple of hours with compound interest really change how much capital you can accumulate and just how you are feeling showing up late in the game," said Dr. Radhakrishna. "Well, that's the reality of the playing field that we are dealing with. Except it is not a few hours of being excluded from the game; it is decades and even centuries."

Verbal "woahs" could be heard in the moments between his sentences as the crowd made the connection between the board game and our current racial inequities.

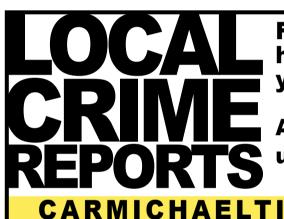
He followed by acknowledging that Sacramento County's Racial and Equity Summit is about bringing County employees, community leaders, activists and residents together for two days to discuss these tough conversations. It's a time to learn what the County and its partners are doing in the form of equity work and what still needs to be done in the future.

Over the course of the summit, participants broke out into four sessions, including "Environmental Justice Element - Creating an Equitable Sacramento County" and "Cultural Broker Program - Navigating the Child Welfare System and the Critical Need for Culturally Responsive Advocacy." Here, participants could not only listen to subject-matter experts but also further the conversation with their own perspectives and

"You started off the session talking about the deaths of George Floyd and Stephon Carter. Prior to the deaths of those young men, I lost my son in 2017, 16 years old, to gun violence," said one participant. "I'm wanting to know, has Sacramento County recognized that our children have post-traumatic stress disorder, and are we addressing that?"

After a first day of heavy conversations, County Executive, Ann Edwards began the final day of the inaugural event by thanking all those who have participated, shared and added to the discussions on this important occasion to advance equity work. Reminding everyone that while the County has made a good start, there is still a lot of work that needs to be done.

To watch the Racial Equity Summit keynote speech and opening sessions, visit the Metro14 website. Breakout sessions will be available soon.



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## Area Doctor Charged with Distribution and Possession of Child Pornography

Sacramento FBI News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A federal grand jury returned a two-count indictment on Thursday, November 30, 2023 against Khursheed Haider, 48, of Roseville, charging him with distribution of child pornography and possession of child pornography, U.S. Attorney Phillip A. Talbert announced.

According to court documents. Haider, a Sacramento Area pulmonologist, used an

application called Wire to post, distribute, and request child pornography that included videos and images of prepubescent boys and girls being sexually abused. After a search warrant was executed, agents discovered additional prepubescent child sexual abuse material on one or more of Haider's electronic devices.

This case is the product of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Alexis Klein is prosecuting the case.

If convicted of distribution of child pornography. Haider faces a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison, a maximum statutory penalty of 20 years in prison, a lifetime of supervised release, restitution, and a \$250,000 fine. If convicted of possession of child pornography, Haider faces a maximum statutory penalty of 20 years in prison, a lifetime of supervised release, restitution, and a \$250,000 fine Any sentence, however, would be determined at the discretion of the court after consideration of any applicable statutory factors and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of variables. The charges are only allegations; the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute those who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.usdoj.gov/psc. Click on the "resources" tab for information about internet-safety education.







