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Council Honors Outgoing Mayor



The City Council honors Councilmember Tim Schaefer for his term serving as mayor in 2023. Photo provided by the City of Citrus Heights

Story by Shaunna Boyd

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - At the January 25 meeting, the Citrus Heights City Council presented Councilmember Tim Schaefer with a commemorative plaque in recognition of his service as mayor last year. Current Mayor Bret Daniels said Schaefer "did an incredible job" as mayor while also working a fulltime job. "It's very, very demanding," said Daniels, "we were lucky to have him."

Councilmember MariJane Lopez-Taff thanked Schaefer for being "so dedicated" and for showing her the ropes when she joined the Council as

a new member.

Councilmember Porsche Middleton said, "I deeply appreciate all the ways you went out of your way to make sure you were in the community, present. I know how difficult it is."

Vice Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa said, "When we had to be somewhere, he was always there."

Schaefer said, "To my councilmember colleagues, you made my job very much easier than it could have been. It could have been a lot tougher. I also want to thank the city manager for his support and, at times, guidance, where I needed to be sort of dialed back a little bit. It was

really an honor. It was a great year; I feel like we accomplished a lot last year."

The Council heard a request from the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce for \$17,010 in funding from the City's Economic Development Support Fund, which provides sponsorships and grants to promote and increase business activities in Citrus Heights.

The Chamber requested \$7,010 for the annual cost to rent the Citrus Heights Community Center facility to host their monthly Chamber luncheons, and \$10,000 for the City's annual Chairman's Circle

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Single Mom Strong Hosts Skilled Trades Career Workshop



Single Mom Strong founder and director Tara Taylor. Photo courtesy of Single Mom Strong

By Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Twenty-six percent of children in Sacramento County are being raised by single mothers and the non-profit Single Mom Strong has made it their mission to support single mothers in the Sacramento region.

Registration is open for a Career Exploration Workshop: Exploring Skilled Trades at The Empowerment Center, by Single Mom Strong, 7525 Auburn Boulevard, Suite 5 in Citrus Heights on Saturday, February 3rd from 11 to 1 pm for women to explore non-traditional careers in growing sectors that offer high-income potential with low barriers to entry.

The workshop, presented in partnership with SMUD and the Sacramento Valley Manufacturing Alliance, will explore skilled trades that aren't all heavy lifting and dirty fingernails.

The event is sponsored by the City of Citrus Heights with monies from the city's Community Support Fund which are dedicated to strengthening and improving the overall quality of life in Citrus Heights, said Marisa Brown, city communications officer.

Registration for the Saturday event is through Eventbrite at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/single-mom-strongs-career-exploration-workshop-exploring-skilled-trades-tickets-791178675717>.

"This is the third component of what we have wanted to have in place for a long time to help single moms succeed," said Tara Taylor, its founder and executive director. The event is anything but a "typical career fair," she explains.

Since opening in 2019, Single Mom Strong's Empowerment Center has come to encourage the success of some 1,100 single mothers who have entered its doors. The non-profit has made it their mission

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Record Number of Volunteers Count People Experiencing Homelessness in Sacramento

Sacramento Steps Forward News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A two-night effort to count the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness kicked off tonight at the primary deployment center at Sacramento State University's Harper Alumni Center on College Town Drive.

Hundreds of the more than 800 registered volunteers showed up at the University site and two additional locations, Citrus Heights and Rancho Cordova, to receive their maps and directions to locations where unhoused neighbors are likely to be found, while officials from the city, county and state kicked off the effort by thanking volunteers and emphasizing the importance of the effort to understand and act on the homelessness crisis.

Sacramento Steps Forward Chief Executive Officer Lisa Bates told volunteers and Sacramento

leaders gathered that "your presence sends a powerful message to those experiencing homelessness -- it says you are not alone. We see you. We hear you. And you count!"

Sacramento's regional civic leaders have become more united than ever in addressing homelessness, taking responsibilities within an "All In" Local Action Plan finalized in 2022. This year the Plan is expanding to include more cities and significant community input and regional focus. The PIT Count data will be used as one measure of progress and help shape future programming to serve the unsheltered and others experiencing homelessness or at high risk.

It will take two nights to reach all the areas selected for the 2024 PIT Count. On Thursday night, additional volunteers will deploy from Sacramento as well as Elk Grove. Outreach workers employed by local agencies will conduct a separate count during

daylight hours along the American River Corridor in the coming days.

All census takers will be using a new "Counting Us Mobile App" on their smart phones to conduct the Count. The application was developed by Simtech Solutions and is used in many cities and counties across the U.S. The new method will allow volunteers to gather observational and survey data and upload it to a central command center. The new app replaces a previously used app and paper-based collection methods.

Point in Time unsheltered homelessness counts are conducted in communities across the nation every two years. They are mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) for communities that seek federal resources to address homelessness. HUD uses this information to create a comprehensive national picture.

The last PIT community wide effort, held

in 2022 in Sacramento, accounted for 6,664 unsheltered individuals. The report, which takes several months to complete, also documented 2,614 sheltered individuals experiencing homelessness, for a combined total number of people experiencing homelessness of 9,278. The full 2022 PIT Count report can be referenced at the following website: <https://sacramentostepsforward.org/continuum-of-care-point-in-time-pit-count/2022-pit-count/>

"We are grateful for this unprecedented turnout this year," Bates said. "This effort gives ordinary citizens a chance to make a meaningful contribution toward better understanding where this community is when it comes to homelessness. By being here, and working tonight and tomorrow night, they are making tangible contributions toward Sacramento's united vision of preventing and ending homelessness." ★



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Citrus Heights Community Awards Dinner Moved to March 21st

Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce News Release

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 66th Annual Community Awards Dinner on Thursday, March 21st. This dinner will celebrate heroes in the Citrus Heights community. Some of the awards that will be handed out include:

- Police Officer of the Year
- Firefighter of the Year
- Youth Volunteer of the Year

-Volunteer of the Year
 -Ambassador of the Year
 The Lifetime Achievement Award will go to Michael R. Korpiel, DHA, FACHE. The Community Advocate Award will go to Supervisor Sue Frost, District 4. Tickets are \$95 per person. Portions of the proceeds will benefit Citrus Heights HART (Homeless Assistance Resource Team). The event will be held at North Ridge Country Club (7600 Madison Ave). RSVP online at <https://chchamber.com/>. ★

Single Mom Strong Hosts Skilled Trades Career Workshop



Opportunities are endless for single mothers nowadays. Photo courtesy of Single Mom Strong

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 to support single mothers in the Sacramento region.

The Single Mom Strong Empowerment Center, a SMUD Sustainable Communities partner, offers support for single mothers, including affordable daycare, practical workshops, life skills training, and other events and activities. Its EmpowerME Preschool & Childcare programs make quality early childhood education accessible to all young children by making preschool affordable, even on a single income budget.

"We've had both a one-to-one peer counseling program in place and a wardrobe closet available to help them prepare for interviews and to dress professionally to re-enter the work force."

"What we haven't had before, is a workshop where single moms can get together to explore non-traditional trade careers in growing business sectors which offer high-income potential with low barriers to entry," she said.

The rapidly growing solar, electrical and manufacturing fields are just some which offer a variety of high-wage jobs in careers in safe, clean and tech-oriented environments which often don't require a college degree, Taylor said.

Participants will have a one-to-one opportunity to talk with fellow women already working in these industries and ask real questions about what it is like to work in their field, and how they balance work and family, and learn about their experience with career advancement, Taylor said.

Many will also have an opportunity to learn and consider career opportunities which are offered by the city of Citrus Heights. Some 86 women are employed at City Hall and the Citrus Heights Police

Department, and many are in more trade-oriented roles, said city communications officer Marisa Brown.

These include Regina Cave, General Services Director, 24 years; Leslie Blomquist, City Engineer, 8 years, Alison Bermudez, Senior Planner, 24 years in March and Susan McClendon, Development Services Technician, 17 years in June.

Open roles for the city of Citrus Heights can be found at: governmentjobs.com/careers/citrusheights.

"Come and explore your options in the safe, friendly Single Mom Strong environment you know and love," Taylor said. "It's a great first event and it's open to all women, with single moms given priority for childcare."

Single Mom Strong is lead by founder Tara Taylor and by its president Meghan Huber, the Economic Development and Communications Manager for the City of Citrus Heights. Huber joined the SMS Board of Directors in 2019 with a goal to affect positive change and support families in the community.

Registration remains open for the "Career Exploration Workshop: Exploring Skilled Trades" at The Empowerment Center, by Single Mom Strong, 7525 Auburn Boulevard, Suite 5 in Citrus Heights this Saturday, February 3rd from 11 to 1 p.m.

"Come and enjoy lunch and hands-on career exploration activities, while also taking time to network and socialize," Taylor said. Childcare is available onsite in the Empowerment Center's licensed childcare center.

Visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/single-mom-strongs-career-exploration-workshop-exploring-skilled-trades-tickets-791178675717> for more information. ★

Homicide Investigation and Arrest

Citrus Heights Police Department News Release

Case Number: CH24-00516

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - On January 21, 2024, at approximately 1:53am, Citrus Heights Police responded to the report of a man who had been stabbed and was laying on the ground outside a business in the 6400 block of Antelope Road in Citrus Heights.

Officers arrived within two minutes and located an unresponsive adult male laying on the ground outside of a closed business. Officers immediately began life-saving medical aid for the man. Fire personnel arrived and continued life-saving measures but were unable to revive him due to his significant injuries. The identity of the victim is not being released at this time pending notification of his next of kin.

Citrus Heights Police Detectives responded and began a homicide

investigation. Through the course of their investigation, detectives learned the victim and suspect were both part of the unlicensed community and were general acquaintances.

The suspect is identified as 35-year-old Steven Cardenas and detectives secured a warrant for his arrest for 187 PC - Murder.

At approximately 7:40pm this evening (January 22, 2024), Citrus Heights Police, in cooperation with the Roseville Police Department, took Cardenas into custody for his warrant on the shared border between both cities. Additionally, Cardenas has a history of multiple contacts and arrests with Citrus Heights police during 2023.

Anyone with additional information related to this incident is encouraged to contact the Citrus Heights Police Department Crime Tip Line at 916-727-5524. If you have information and would like to remain anonymous, please call the Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers tip hotline at (916) 443-HELP. ★

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Council Honors Outgoing Mayor

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sponsorship of the Chamber.

Al Gonzalez spoke on behalf of the Chamber, outlining the various activities and events they hold each year to promote local businesses. Gonzalez said that 17 businesses joined the Chamber in 2023-2024, for a total of 312 current members.

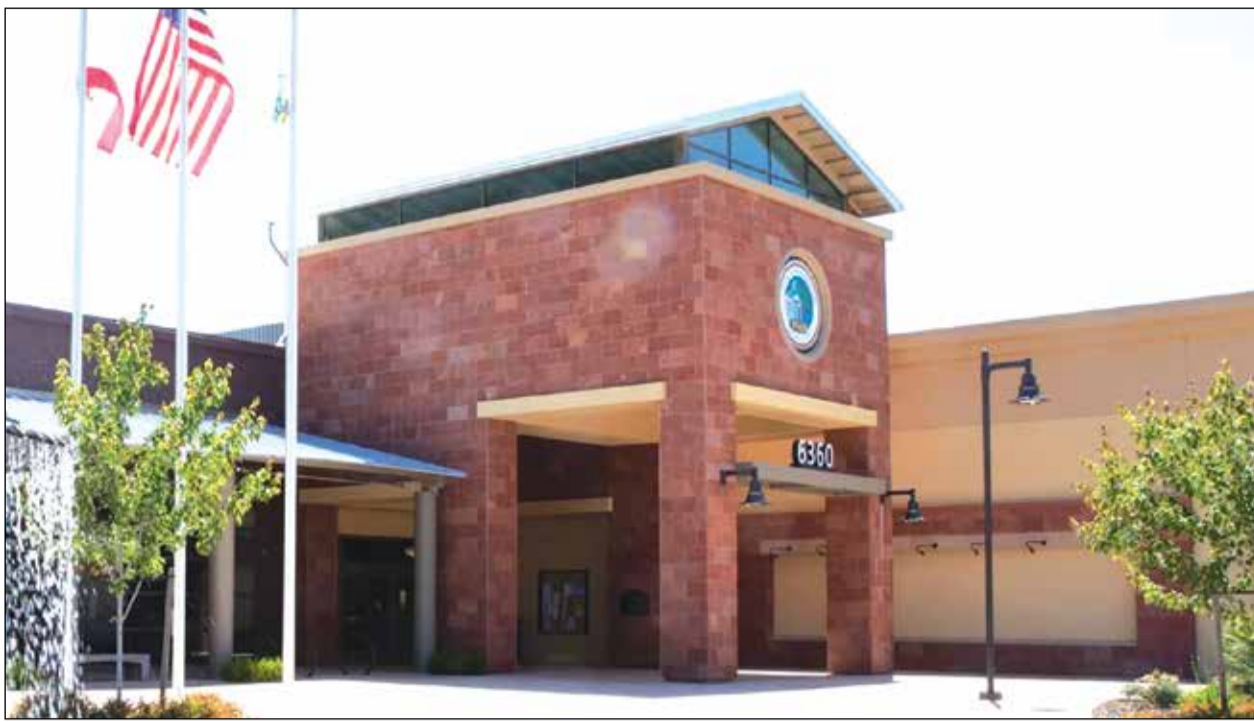
Councilmember Schaefer didn't have questions about the requested funds, but instead asked Gonzalez for details about the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee (PAC). Gonzalez said the purpose of the PAC was "to support the members that are running for local office."

Schafer asked, "How many of the members on this Board (the City Council) has the PAC ever supported?" Gonzalez said he didn't know.

Vice Mayor Karpinski-Costa said, "Not me. Not him."

Councilmember Lopez-Taff explained that Gonzalez wouldn't be able to speak on behalf of the PAC, because the Chamber and the PAC are separate entities: "The PAC has its own governance and membership ... although they sound similar, they're very separate."

Schafer continued, "But the PAC is using the credibility of the name of the Citrus Heights Chamber to convince voters that this is their influence. So, they are connected. It's very difficult to say they're not connected." He said that while he heard the Chamber was suspending their relationship with the



The plan also includes staffing increases such as a real-time information center operator (in collaboration with Elk Grove Police Department) and part-time detectives focusing specifically on retail theft. Photo provided by the City of Citrus Heights.

PAC, he wanted to know how the PAC was funded.

Gonzalez responded, "Well the PAC isn't funded anymore, because we're looking at, they go their way, we go our way."

Schafer said in his personal experience with the PAC, "there have been times where they completely denied me an opportunity to interview. ... I had some questions that I directed toward one of the PAC members, and he basically told me it's none of my business. ... It's very difficult because the names are the same. The perception of the public is going to be that the Citrus Heights Chamber, that is you, are going to support a particular candidate, when you may or may not be supporting that candidate. So that's a problem for me."

Mayor Daniels brought up a concern of his own,

that the current executive director of the Chamber had stepped down and a new one had not yet been selected. Mayor Daniels said, "I think everybody here supports the Chamber. ... The effort, and what it does, and the need for it, too. ... If our businesses don't thrive, Citrus Heights doesn't thrive. We die. It's plain and simple." But he said that while he was prepared to support covering the cost for the Chamber's use of the Community Center, he did not want to support the \$10,000 sponsorship until after a new executive director was chosen and had discussed future plans with a representative from the City Council.

Vice Mayor Karpinski-Costa said, "Well, I disagree with the mayor. I think that this is a budget item, and this money is in our pot now, and it may not be in the pot when you

get your executive director. ... We have just a limited amount in the pot, and when that pot goes, it's gone. ... I don't think our vote should reflect on whether or not they have a Chamber person in charge today or next week or next month. That's not what they're asking. We're not funding that position." The request was for the facility cost and the sponsorship, and she said, "We are beneficiaries of all their events, we're always invited."

Councilmember Lopez-Taff moved to approve the full request, which was seconded by Councilmember Middleton. Mayor Daniels requested a substitute motion, seconded by Councilmember Schaefer, to vote on the two funding requests separately. The Council voted first on the request for funding to cover the facility rental, which was approved 5-0.

Then the Council voted on the \$10,000 sponsorship, which passed 3-2, with Daniels and Schaefer dissenting.

Gonzalez invited all councilmembers to attend the Chamber luncheons: "I would like our membership to get to know the City Council members. It's vitally important. ... We're the connection between them and you. And if you come and they come, they have an opportunity to get involved and be more active in the Chamber."

The Council then heard an update from the Citrus Heights Police Department (CHPD) about their plan for crime detection and prevention in commercial areas—specifically looking at ways to use technology to maximize resources and improve efficiency.

Lt. Wesley Herman said, "We understand, obviously, the significance of

the commercial businesses. ... It's clearly the economic engine of our city and it's vitally important that we protect that asset and the future of our city."

Plans for new technology include equipment such as license plate readers at intersections, anti-loitering devices at business locations, mobile cameras and lighting that can be moved to various locations as needed, and vehicle and property trackers. The CHPD is also planning to implement live 911 software so patrol officers can hear calls as they are answered by dispatch, which will improve response time.

The plan also includes staffing increases such as a real-time information center operator (in collaboration with Elk Grove Police Department) and part-time detectives focusing specifically on retail theft. Collaboration with officers throughout the region will allow related cases to be consolidated, leading to more effective prosecution.

Councilmember Lopez-Taff said, "I just want to thank our police department for being innovative, getting these grants, and making a plan to protect our businesses. ... We want to say loud and clear that criminals are not welcome here. And you are making a tremendous effort to support our business owners."

Councilmember Schaefer agreed: "This is really a great step in the right direction."

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2024. ★

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AARP Community Challenge Grant Applications Open

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County's Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services is encouraging community groups to apply for AARP's Livable Communities Grant Program, known as the AARP Community Challenge. Since launching in 2017, the program has helped invest millions of dollars into communities across the United States.

Grant applications are open until March 6, 2024. Nonprofits and other community organizations are encouraged to apply.

Key Dates for the 2024 application process include:

- March 6: Application window closes
- June 26: Selected grantees announced
- December 15: completion of all projects

There are three grant opportunities:

-Flagship Grants are for projects that especially benefit community members who are 50 or older.

-Capacity-Building Microgrants are worth \$2,500 and benefit residents through bike audits, walk audits, and HomeFit Modifications.

-Demonstration Grants support community-based projects in different categories.

Organizations that want to help continue making Sacramento County a great place for people of all ages are encouraged to apply. Visit www.AARP.org/CommunityChallenge to fill out the application and for more details on the different types of grants. You can also view a list of past grant winners here: AARP.org/CommunityChallengeGrantees. ★

Bank of America Invests More than \$1.4 Million in Sacramento Nonprofits in 2023

Bank of America News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As part of its longstanding commitment to supporting economic opportunity in local communities, Bank of America has invested more than \$1.4 million across nearly 65 organizations in Sacramento this year through philanthropic grants and sponsorships to the region's nonprofits. The support helps nonprofits remove barriers to economic mobility, with most bank funding directed for workforce development and job skill training, entrepreneurship and small business development, housing, and hunger relief.

For instance, Bank of America continued its grants to food-related small businesses, local farmers and food entrepreneurs through its support of programs like Visit Sacramento's Farm to Fork Festival. Additionally, the Bank has provided grants to Alchemist CDC to scale

community-based small business programs, and Second Harvest Food Bank to combat food insecurity.

In addition to philanthropic capital, the company's local employees provided more than 18,000 volunteer hours throughout the year to local causes, ranging from assisting with food distribution, to providing free financial education workshops to more than 20 nonprofit organizations as part of the bank's Better Money Habits program.

"Sacramento's nonprofits know firsthand the needs and obstacles our communities face. Bank of America proudly helps nonprofits develop the solutions and services needed to promote economic opportunity," said CP Parmar, Bank of America market president for the Greater Sacramento region. "Bank of America will continue to deploy capital and resources to help create real impact for all members of the greater Sacramento community." ★

California Regulators Want to Spend Billions to Reduce a Fraction of Water Usage



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Hydrologists measure large amounts of water in acre-feet – an acre of water one-foot deep, or 326,000 gallons.

In an average year, 200 million acre-feet of water fall on California as rain or snow. The vast majority of it sinks into the ground or evaporates, but about a third of it finds its way into rivers. Half of that will eventually flow into the Pacific Ocean.

That leaves approximately 35-40 million acre-feet for human use, with three-quarters being applied to fields and orchards to support the state's agricultural output, and the remaining quarter – 9-10 million acre-feet – being used for household, commercial and industrial purposes.

In other words, nearly 39 million Californians wind up using about 5% of the original precipitation to water their lawns, bathe themselves, operate toilets and cook their food.

That number is important because it is such a tiny amount, even though the state's perennial household water conservation programs imply that taking fewer showers or reducing lawn watering will somehow solve the state's water problems.

The ludicrous nature of those propagandistic appeals is quite evident in the state Water Resources Control Board's new plan to force local water agencies into cutting household water use even more, no matter the multibillion-dollar cost, and with penalties if they fail to meet quotas.

The water board says the plan, which was authorized by the Legislature in 2018, would reduce household use by 440,000 acre-feet a year when fully implemented. That would be about 5% of current use, which is only about 5% of average precipitation – scarcely a drop in the bucket.

The plan is drawing some well-reasoned criticism from two independent observers, the Legislative Analyst Office, an arm of the Legislature, and the Public Policy Institute of California, the state's premier think tank.

The LAO, in a report to the Legislature, said the plan "will create challenges for water suppliers in several key ways, in many cases without compelling justifications."

In essence, the LAO said, local water agencies would have to jump through the state's hoops by spending billions of dollars for a tiny reduction in overall water use that could have an adverse impact on low-income families.

The PPIC is similarly skeptical, summarizing the plan as "very high cost for little benefit." PPIC fellows David Mitchell and Ellen Hanak also pointed out its effects on low-income communities and the difficulty it would impose on local governments' programs to

plant and maintain trees as a shield against hot summer weather.

California does indeed have a water supply problem, mostly because its political leaders for decades have failed to expand the state's water infrastructure that had been built during the mid-20th century.

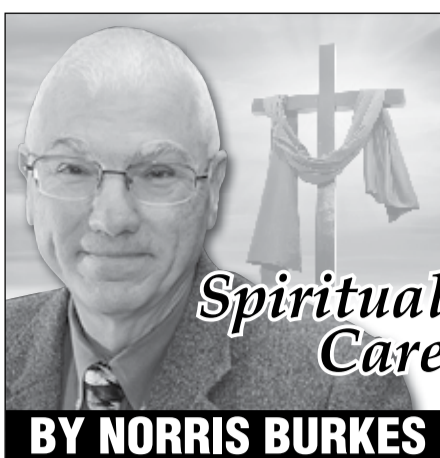
Household use is not the problem. It cannot be because it is such a tiny part of the overall water picture and actually has declined, in relative terms, as the state's population reached 40 million, more than twice what it was when the last major water works were constructed.

The major mismatch of demand and supply occurs in the two largest categories of water use, agriculture and the environment. Agricultural water agencies and environmental groups have been jousting for decades in the Legislature, in Congress, in courts and in regulatory agencies such as the water board over how much water farmers can draw and how much should remain in rivers to protect habitat for fish and other wildlife.

That's the issue that must be resolved by re-allocating existing supplies, building new storage and/or creating new supplies, such as desalination of seawater. Spending billions of dollars to save a few gallons of household water is just an expensive exercise in virtue-signaling that accomplishes virtually nothing.

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

Today is Groundhog Day - Again



BY NORRIS BURKES

In case you didn't know, your digital calendar probably reminded you about Groundhog Day – AGAIN.

The outdated day gained modern fame from the 1993 movie "Groundhog Day," where Bill Murray wakes up to repeat the same day over and over.

Why in the world do I need a reminder of this useless day? I don't own a groundhog. I don't personally know anyone who does.

Still, perhaps I can use this day to recall and repeat a few things that I've occasionally mentioned at the end of my previous columns.

So, with a little indulgence from my editors, this column serves as that moment in the small-church service where the pastor pitches a few things and then asks, "Are there any other announcements today?"

Why yes, I have a few.

First, Join Chispa Project on its annual volunteer trip to establish a library in Honduran elementary schools. Chispa Project has enjoyed eight years of this repeated fun, creating over 80 libraries.

There's a saying in Honduras that "If you drink the water, you'll keep coming back." I can't think of anything more Groundhog's Day than that.

Time after time, I find myself returning to Honduras. Maybe it's the water, but most likely it's the warmth of the people or the thrill of seeing children open their first book.

Join my daughter, Sara, and me this year June 16 - 23 and help install a new children's library. Details at www.chispa-project.org/volunteerproject.

Can't travel this time? Consider donating, and if you really want to stay on theme, keep repeating it. Become a monthly donor like me! ★

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While Chispa Project sends only an occasional announcement, I'll send you this column every Friday.

Why get the column by email when you can read it in your local paper? I want you to do both, but I also want you to forward the email column to friends. I also want to stay in touch when I finally retire this column. Join the list by emailing me at comment@thechaplain.net or on the web site at <https://thechaplain.net/newsletter/>.

I can speak to your group. Many of you have heard me speak in the towns where my column runs. For instance, I've crossed Florida to speak in Melbourne, Lakeland, and Fort Myers. I've spoken at colleges in Springfield, Mo., Staunton, Va., Charleston, S.C., and Riverside, Calif.

The churches in Binghamton, Elmira and Horseheads remain favorites in upstate New York. It's been a while, but I'd love to return to Mountain Home, Ark. or Mansfield, Ohio. (Or any of the other nine Buckeye towns where my column runs.)

And if you're reading from places where I've not yet shared like Lafayette, Ind., Montgomery, Ala. or in the California cities of Vacaville, Elk Grove, and Auburn, I would love to make an appearance there too.

Buy one of my books. Even though I'm constantly mentioning my books, some readers are still surprised to learn about them. My books are a compilation of two decades+ of column-writing and will provide a way for the new reader to catch up. My titles:

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You can purchase the books on my website or simply send your book request and payment of \$20 for each title to Norris Burkes at 10556 Combie Rd. Suite 6643 Auburn, CA 95602.

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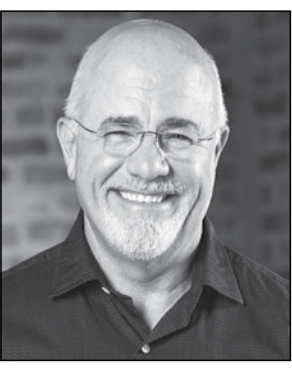
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Dave Ramsey Says

Otherwise, you might use your emergency fund for something that's just the result of poor planning.

Number two, is it absolutely necessary? Most of us think we know the difference between needs and wants, but sometimes the line gets a little blurry. If your car goes completely kaput, and you need transportation, use your emergency fund to buy something affordable and reliable you can pay cash for. But don't dip into your emergency fund just to upgrade your good car for one with a million bells and whistles. That's a want, not a need.

And three, is it urgent? Sometimes, you have act like a grown-up. Every idea that pops into your mind isn't unexpected, necessary or urgent. You can live that way if you want, but the result will be a quickly depleted emergency fund. Then, what're you going to do when a real emergency comes along?

Practice the art of patience. Avoid impulse

buys. Urgent things include stuff like a broken air conditioner in the middle of summer, a busted transmission or sudden, unexpected medical expenses. A big sale at Wal Mart? No. Concert tickets? Definitely not. That great new pair of shoes you just saw in a store window? Give me a break!

Your emergency fund is about long-term security, not instant gratification. Don't use it on a whim. But don't be afraid to use it when you really need to!

— 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 Ramsey Solutions ★

An Emergency Fund Isn't About Instant Gratification

Dear Dave,

We've all our debts paid off, except for our home, and our fully funded emergency fund of six months of expenses is in place. In talking to people, it seems there are lots of different opinions as to what constitutes an emergency. What guidelines do you suggest when deciding whether to use our emergency fund?

— Ingrid

Dear Ingrid,

Here are three things to ask yourself when you're tempted to dip into your emergency fund. One, is it unexpected? Things like Christmas, birthdays and even certain bills come around at the same time every year. If you're not already budgeting for these things, it's time to start.



Dare to Live Without Limits

by Bryan Golden

Life Guarantees a Chance — Not a Fair Shake



"That's not fair," is a common childhood mantra. It's typically heard when a child doesn't get what he or she wants. Sometimes the sentiment is valid, more often it's not.

As we grow up, adults, whether it be parents or others, tend to intercede on our behalf to demonstrate fairness. The problem is we then develop a false expectation of fairness. This leads to great frustration as we mature since fairness in life is not guaranteed.

You've probably encountered many unfair circumstances. Invariably, you will encounter more. You can yell and scream, but you won't make life fair. Unplanned, unexpected, and even unfortunate circumstances do occur. It's not ideal, but that's the way it is.

Anger is a normal reaction when encountering unfair events. You may even feel bitter or resentful. These reactions, however, do not serve you well. They are counter-productive. Additionally, they are as destructive as poison to your mind and body.

Feeling victimized is another associated emotion. When you think something is unfair you may feel someone else is out to get you. When you take on the role of victim, you become reactive instead of proactive. This means you wait for what will come next rather than becoming a proactive participant. Victims are defensive. Those who refuse to act like a victim are offensive.

On the other hand, determination is good. When something is unfair, you have a chance to make the best of it. You can choose to use a bad situation as a stepping stone to something better. You can't control your environment but you do decide how to respond to it.

When faced with the unfair, you have to decide where you want to go from there. In order to make the best of a situation, consider all of your options with an open mind. Harboring resentment impairs your judgement. You are then more likely to react emotionally instead of logically. The goal is to make your situation better, not worse.

Julie had applied for an open position in her company. She was eminently qualified and consistently received excellent performance reviews. Julie was optimistic about her chances. She really wanted the promotion. To Julie's dismay, Cathy, a friend of her boss, was hired for the job. Julie felt it wasn't fair. Cathy didn't have nearly as much experience as her.

What were Julie's options? She could go to work each day filled with bitterness, determined to get even. She didn't have to perform at such a high level. Julie could do just enough to get by. Why should she work so hard only to be treated unfairly?


The second option was for Julie to accept that such things happen. As a well-regarded employee, other opportunities would emerge. If Julie wasn't happy with the growth path at her company, she could get another job elsewhere.

If Julie picked the first option, she would only be hurting herself. As her productivity dropped, her reviews would suffer along with her chances for a promotion. Should Julie then look for another job, she certainly wouldn't get any glowing references.

The second option is much more beneficial to Julie's future. Regardless of whether she looks for a new job or not, Julie would not be acting in a self-destructive manner.

Regardless of what unfair situations you face, you have a chance to improve your situation. Understand what sequence of events lead you to your current circumstances. It may not always make sense, but that doesn't matter. What's important is optimizing your chances to make the best of it. Moving forward always beats getting mired in the past.

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Social Security Matters

Will Withdrawing from 401(k) Affect My Social Security?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: My full retirement age (FRA) is 66 and 8 months, which I'll reach in September 2024. I'm still working 3 days a week. I want to cash in my 401K and want to know if I have to wait until my FRA for IRS purposes or can cash it in anytime in 2024. I don't want to affect my Social Security or end up paying taxes on my benefits. **Signed: Seeking to Avoid Taxes**

Dear Seeking: We're not experts on IRS matters here at the AMAC Foundation so I can't address 401(k) questions, but we can provide information on your Social Security circumstances and how 401(k) withdrawals may affect your SS. I assume from your question that you are now receiving early Social Security and wish to avoid any tax consequences thereto by cashing in your 401(k), as well as from working. Here's what you need to know:

• Since you will reach your full retirement age (FRA) in 2024, your 2024 work earnings limit will be \$59,520 up to the month you reach FRA. If you were born in January 1958, you'll attain FRA in September 2024. After you have reached your FRA there is no longer a Social Security limit to how much you can earn from working, so your work earnings thereafter

will not affect your monthly Social Security benefit regardless of how much you earn. If your part time work 2024 won't put you over the \$59,520 limit, your work earnings will not negatively affect your gross monthly Social Security benefit.

• Assuming you are on Medicare, the premium for which is deducted from your Social Security payment, withdrawals from your 401(k) might affect your net monthly Social Security payment in two years hence. Medicare premiums are based upon your combined income from all sources, including 50% of the SS benefits you received during the tax year. If your 401(k) withdrawal(s) put you over an income threshold for your tax filing status, you may be required to pay an "IRMAA" (Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount) on top of the standard Medicare premium. That IRMAA supplement would be deducted from your Social Security, which would affect the net amount of your Social Security payment. Your Medicare premium for each coming year is determined by your combined income from two years prior, so if you "cash in" your 401(K) in 2024, it would affect your net Social Security payments in 2026.

• Whether you will pay income tax on your Social Security benefits is determined by your combined income from everywhere, which the IRS calls your "Modified Adjusted Gross Income" or "MAGI." MAGI is your income from all sources (except ROTH IRA withdrawals) and includes half of the SS benefits you received during the tax year. If you file your taxes as a single, and your

MAGI is over \$25,000 – or if you file your taxes as "married-jointly" and your MAGI is over \$32,000 – then 50% of the Social Security benefits received during the tax year becomes part of your overall income taxed by the IRS (at your normal IRS tax rate). But if your MAGI as a single filer is more than \$34,000 – or as a married/jointly filer over \$44,000 – then up to 85% of the SS benefits received during the tax year becomes part of your overall income taxed by the IRS.


So, to recap:

1. Your part time work earnings in 2024 won't affect your monthly Social Security benefit, unless your 2024 work earnings prior to September 2024 exceed \$59,520.

2. Depending on the amount of your 401(k) withdrawals, your 2026 net Social Security payments may be impacted by Medicare's IRMAA provision. But your 401(k) withdrawals will not affect your gross Social Security payments.

3. Depending on the amount of your 401(k) withdrawals, some of the Social Security benefits received during the 2024 tax year will likely be subject to income tax. That is, if your annual total income, including your 401(k) withdrawals, exceeds the MAGI thresholds described above.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00205
 James Cyparski, 7762 South Cliff Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "JC Construction" 7762 South Cliff Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 8, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 JC 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00102
 O'Shay Gonzalez, 6020 Wilkinson Street, Sacramento, CA 95824 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Shaywitdakay Collectible Hub" 6020 Wilkinson Street, Sacramento, CA 95824. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 3, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 SHAYWITDAKAY 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09179
 Ricardo Lara Saldana, 7850 Riverhurst Court, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Elite Cleaning" 7850 Riverhurst Court, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 ELITE 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08871
 Arias Brothers Inc., 1880 Prairie City Road #110, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hermanos Jalisco Grill" 1888 Prairie City Road #110, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 4, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 HERMANOS 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09446
 Narinder Kumar, 180 S Lexington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Trinetra Indian Grocery" 310 S Lexington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 27, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 TRINETRA 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00153
 Yevgeniy Voyku, 4020 Stephen Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "YV Mobile Mechanic" 4020 Stephen Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 4, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 YV 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00175
 Mia Nguyen, 621 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ace's Pace" 621 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 ACES 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00002
 Emily Vallejo, 8026 Briar Ridge Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "M Plus E Additions" 8026 Briar Ridge Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2024

Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 ADDITIONS 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08903
 Daniel Sergey Molitvenik, 5532 Missie Way, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Clear Skies" 5532 Missie Way, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 4, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 CLEAR 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00263
 Curt Davis, 1599 English Colony Way, Penryn, CA 95663 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Insight Flooring Inspections & Moisture Tests" 1599 English Colony Way, Penryn, CA 95663. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 INSIGHT 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08948
 R.L. Niello Co. Inc., 2701 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Niello Volkswagen/Niello Collision Service" 2701 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 6, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 NIELLO 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00295
 Full Circle Dealer Services, Inc., 1481 River Park Drive, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AutoFiPro" 1481 River Park Drive, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 AUTOFIPRO 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00286
 Cecily Sorenson, 4519 Baron Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CS Accounting and Notary Services" 4519 Baron Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 CS 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08447
 Vence Lewis, 636 Tailwind Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Space 9 Collective" 636 Tailwind Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 9, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 SPACE 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00178
 Gregorio E. Monterroso, 8544 Imran Woods Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "KC Builds" 8544 Imran Woods Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 KC 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00357
 Ardalan Bayat, 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 19, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Healing Hands of River City" 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 19, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 11, 2024
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 HEALING 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-08363
 Grif Group LLC, 535 Anton Boulevard Unit 850A, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Credit 1 Finance Group" 535 Anton Boulevard Unit 850A, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 7, 2023
 Publish: Jan 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 2024
 CREDIT 2-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00378
 Scott French, 4210 53rd Street, Sacramento, CA 95820 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Junk-B-Gone & Hauling" 4210 53rd Street, Sacramento, CA 95820. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 11, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 JUNK 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00107
 Desenia Berenice Felix Gomez, 5816 Canary Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DB-Beauty Salon" 5816 Canary Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 3, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 BEAUTY 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00240
 ePaiges Design Group, LLC, 10968 Woodring Drive, Mather, CA 95655 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ePaiges Design Group, LLC/ePaiges" 10968 Woodring Drive, Mather, CA 95655. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 EPAIGES 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09153
 N and T Innovation Inc, 6511 Savings Place 130, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PURE H2O HUB" 6511 Savings Place 130, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 14, 2023
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 PURE 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00182
 Mark Fleig, 5545 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "F and F Properties" 5545 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 FANDF 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00465
 Wiltown Riders, Inc, 2230 S. Harrison Street, Stockton, CA 95206 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Wiltown Riders" 11887 Arno Road, Wilton, CA 95693. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 18, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 WILTOWN 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00222
 Alicia Jimenez, 22 Temple, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "La Oxaquena Plus" 9663 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 8, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 LA 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09384
 MZ Flooring LLC, 7316 Thalia Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Modern Flooring" 7316 Thalia Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 21, 2023
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 MODERN 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00478
 Oleksandr Naydonov, 6092 Garfield Avenue, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Royal Pool Service" 6092 Garfield Avenue, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 18, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 ROYAL 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00438
 Empire Oaks LLC, 3924 Stedway Court, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Score Revive Academy" 3924 Stedway Court, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 SCORE 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00313
 Joshua Lee Downey and Jackson Lewis Ray, 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 76, Sacramento, CA 95825 and Garrett Lewis Ray, 624 Grider Drive, Roseville, CA 95678 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tanpopo" 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 76, Sacramento, CA 9582. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 10, 2024
 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
 TANPOPO 2-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00625
 Wali Hassany, 1808 Richmond Street, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dreamland Aahoo Immigration Consultant/Next Chapter Aahoo Legal Document Prep" 2740 Fulton Avenue 101-16, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 24, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 DREAMLAND 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00674
 New Way Mortgage, Inc., 1111 Howe Avenue #510, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sal You Loans/Sal You Loans Team" 1111 Howe Avenue #510, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 25, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 SAL 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00494
 Altaf Hussain, 717 Turnstone Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rehmat Traders/Pak Diamond Traders" 717 Turnstone Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 19, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 REHMAT 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00487
 P&W Kar Sales Inc, 2140 Marconi Avenue Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sac Autosport" 2140 Marconi Avenue Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 19, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 SAC 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00054
 Yegor Lyashenko, 7820 Daffodil Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lyko Build" 7820 Daffodil Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento

SAC 2-23-24
 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00527
 A.A.Auto Sales LLC, 3335 Gould Way, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A Class Auto" 3335 Gould Way, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 22, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 CLASS 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00671
 East Horizon Stores LLC, 9113 Skippereen Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kitchen Skyline" 9113 Skippereen Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 25, 2024
 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
 KITCHEN 2-23-24

Presidential Primary Election Update

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Voter Registration and Elections (VRE) Office has begun mailing the County Voter Information Guide (CVIG) for the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election to Sacramento County registered voters. Voters will receive their CVIG in English unless a language preference for Spanish, Chinese or Vietnamese was indicated. If you would like to update your language preference, you may contact VRE at (916) 875-6451 or email voterinfo@sacounty.gov.

Registered voters can expect the CVIGs to begin arriving in their mailboxes this week. It includes Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations, local candidate statements, measures on the voter's ballot, and important dates and information.

For more information about the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election and voting in Sacramento County, visit the VRE website at elections.sacounty.gov, contact VRE at (916) 875-6451, email voterinfo@sacounty.gov, or call the toll-free voter assistance hotline at (800) 762-8019. The hotline has the ability to

connect voters with disabilities with TTY (Text Telephone).

- Key Election Dates**
- Monday, February 5: Mailing of ballots to all registered voters begins
- Monday, February 5: Voted ballots may be returned in any of the Ballot Drop Boxes located throughout the County
- Tuesday, February 20: Close of voter registration for this election. Voter registration forms must be postmarked by this date or delivered to the VRE Office at 7000 65th Street, Suite A, Sacramento 95823 by 5:00 p.m. Online voter registration must be completed before midnight on this date at www.registertovote.ca.gov
- Wednesday, February 21: Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) begins
- Saturday, February 24: 11 Day Vote Centers open
- Tuesday, February 27: Last day a Vote by Mail (VBM) ballot can be mailed to you. After this date, VBM ballots are only available at the VRE Office or at any Vote Center
- Saturday, March 2: All Vote Centers open throughout the County
- Tuesday, March 5: Election Day ★

Credit Union's Grant Program Funds \$90,000 in Support for Nonprofits

SAFE Credit Union News Release

FOLSOM, CA (MPG) - Six Greater Sacramento region nonprofits received \$90,000 in funding from SAFE Credit Union's annual community grant program dedicated to uplifting the communities it serves in 2023.

The grant recipients – Foster Youth Education Fund, Junior Achievement Sacramento, Rebuilding Together Sacramento, Soil Born Farms, Volunteers of America, Northern California/Nevada and the Yolo Crisis Nursery – provide services supporting career development, financial education, higher education, the health and well-being of infants and toddlers, housing, and veterans.

A not-for-profit financial institution, SAFE's community grant program stems from the credit union's cooperative principle of sharing profits within communities.

"We take our mission to help our members and communities build financial freedom to heart," says SAFE Credit Union Vice President of Community Relations and Financial Education

Rebecca Delmundo. "These grants help individuals in often underserved communities receive the support, respect, and the resources they need to build better lives."

Here are more details about each nonprofit recipient and the programs supported by SAFE's 2023 community grants:

\$10,000 Soil Born Farms, exclusively offering "farm to wellness" career programs to veterans in the Sacramento region. Located in Rancho Cordova.

Media: Audio/video available here.

\$10,000 - Yolo Crisis Nursery, Safe Stays Crisis Respite Care program, providing between 2,000 and 2,500 stays for children annually, including 100 parents and children in crisis, a caring and home-like environment for visitors. Serves: Yolo County, Sacramento and Solano counties.

\$15,000 Foster Youth Education Fund, which supports former foster youth in the Sacramento region, is using the funds to award financial scholarships, as well as laptops to those enrolling or attending a college, university or

trade school.

\$15,000 grant for Rebuilding Together Sacramento, which provides home improvement services that help vulnerable residents. Grant to be used toward its Safe at Home Program that provides free safety home modifications to older adults, individuals with disabilities and veterans.

\$20,000 in funding for Junior Achievement of Sacramento to help expand the nonprofit's newer JA WORK\$ program pairing its work readiness programs with personal finance management education for students.

\$20,000 to Volunteers of America of Northern California and Northern Nevada, used the grant to help fund its transitional housing program – one of the only remaining Sacramento-area organizations providing transitional housing for veterans experiencing homelessness – that serves up to 80 veterans at a time. Media: Audio/video available here.

In addition, the credit union provides scholarships for college and trade school-bound students, direct giving, sponsorships, and volunteerism. ★

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I own a non-profit, Shepherd's Love, that funds an orphanage for 43 children in Uganda. I was contacted by the AG's Registry for Charitable Trusts late 2023 and told that I had failed to file paperwork correctly for 3 out of 15 years and was in danger of losing our non-profit status. Attempts to find what I had failed to file by using their labyrinthine, not user-friendly web site were futile, as was trying to find a phone number that doesn't just refer back to the web site. Frustrated, I contacted Assemblyman Josh Hoover's office. His staff member, Natalya, acted as interface between me and the AG's office and very promptly found out for me exactly what I needed to do. I mailed the required paperwork and avoided losing our non-profit status. Good public servants hire good staff. I voted for Josh Hoover last election and will do so again.

April Krause, Citrus Heights

LEGAL ADVERTISING
Carmichael Times Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 317294 – February 7, 1984
Rancho Cordova Independent Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 195380 – September 18, 1969
Citrus Heights Messenger Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 34-2020-00273535 – March 12, 2020
The Rio Linda News Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 358073 – March 21, 1988

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

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: Brandon L. Meyer, Esq., MeyerPink Law, A Professional Corporation, 945 Morning Star Drive, Sonoma, CA 95370; 209-694-3085

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ELSWICK 2-9-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CAROL J. COGLIANDRO CASE NO. 24PR000142

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Carol J. Cogliandro, Carol Jean Cogliandro and Carol Cogliandro.

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

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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 March 6, 2024, 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: Robert W. Crabtree, 1501 F Street, Modesto, CA 95354; 209-522-5231

Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 2024
COGLIANDRO 2-16-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARLENE ELSIE WISHMAN CASE NO. 24PR000211

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michelle Bumb, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michelle Bumb 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.

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: Robert J. Busch JR., 2228 Longport Court Suite 110, Elk Grove, CA 95758; 916-859-0370

Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 2024
WISHMAN 2-16-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY BAKER CASE NO. 23PR001946

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Mary Baker, Mary K. Baker, Mary Lundquist.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Eric Koontz, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Eric Koontz 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.

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: Eric J. Koontz, 607 Ramsey Place, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; 650-224-2930

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BAKER 2-16-23

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

FILE NO. FBNF2023-05703
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME OF: Golden Auto Collision, 7000 Franklin Boulevard Suite 440, Sacramento, CA 95823. Nina Phomsouvarana. The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 8/1/2023 in the County of Sacramento. Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 8/1/2023. Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024
GOLDEN 2-16-24

LIEN SALE

LIEN SALE
2022 Honda CRF25, VIN# JH2ME1232NK400676; License Plate N/A
Sale Date: February 14, 2024.
Time 9:00AM
Location: LJ's Towing, 2600 North Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838
Publish: February 2, 2024
HONDA 2-2-24

LIEN SALE
2019 RAM 1500, VIN# 1C6RR7TT9KSS76681; License #50104D3
Sale Date: February 14, 2024.

Time 9:00AM
Location: LJ's Towing, 2600 North Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838
Publish: February 2, 2024
RAM 2-2-24

SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: 23CV009805
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
All persons unknown claiming any legal or equitable right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the Property adverse to Plaintiff's title, or any cloud of Plaintiff's title to the Property and Does 1 through 5

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Tracy K. Sharp.
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



I was worried. Genuinely worried that after a miserable four-game losing streak that saw the Kings give away two games, largely because of abysmal free throw shooting, I would have nothing positive to write about.

Enter Harrison Barnes. Yes, the much maligned Harrison Barnes, and rightfully so. Harrison has under-performed nearly all season, and I have been critical of his effort: to the point of calling for coach Brown to give Trey Lyles his starting spot in the lineup.

So, after four miserable games, the Kings have now won three straight, and Mr. Barnes has played prominently in all three. 32 points, then a career best 39, and finally a solid 20-point performance against the Dallas Mavericks to help the Kings string three wins together.

The most prominent name mentioned in trade talks has been none other than Harrison Barnes, and this most recent resurgence in productivity has fans and pundits alike scratching their heads.

For many of us that have followed Harrison's career, we know and have seen what he is capable of doing, so the question must be asked, where has this been, and why now?

Coach Brown has been criticized with his starting lineup, and I will say, regardless of how well Harrison plays, Trey Lyles needs more minutes on the court every game. Trey has a basketball ceiling that we have yet to see, and we're only going to see it if he gets 30 minutes plus per game.

Much like Domantas Sabonis, Trey Lyles brings a workmanlike effort every game, and could start on many NBA teams.

Malik Monk continues to be coach Brown's 6th man, and if Malik can thrive in that role, I'll stand back and applaud. Without question, like Trey Lyles, Malik needs more minutes. His game time is a bit erratic, and if there is anyone that makes his presence felt immediately, it's Malik Monk.

What this brings us to, is what if anything are the Kings looking for as the trade deadline approaches?

If Harrison Barnes is going to play with the enthusiasm he's shown in recent games, it may very well change decisions made in regards to possible trades. We will see.

Another positive is the positive sight of Davion Mitchell coming off the bench again with regularity!

Like most players, Davion is at his best when he sees regular playing time, and he played well in all three of the Kings recent wins.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the recent change in the Kings effort on defense. Davion Mitchell brings it every game, and his ferocious defensive style is contagious. When Davion disappeared for games at a time, getting no playing time, the defense struggled. Collectively the Kings have been getting better every game as their defense is currently at the best I've seen all season.

The Kings implausible nine blocked shots in the first half of the Maverick's game is without a doubt a record for most blocks in a half for this team, and one notable standout was none other than Keegan Murray. Three blocked shots against Luka Doncic in the first half set the tone for the game, and although the Mavericks made it closer than was necessary, the Kings defense rose to the occasion, and truly was the principal reason for the victory.

If we have learned anything about this team, it is that they can beat any team in the NBA on any given night, and further, if they decide to bring their defense to the court, they can win any game!

As the Kings continue on their seven-game road trip, I will watch with interest the reinvigorated Harrison Barnes, and watch to see if Davion Mitchell and Trey Lyles will continue to get extended minutes on the hardwood. These are absolute keys!

If Monte McNair can somehow add a player that can be a contributor to this team, I say all the better. Don't be too surprised if ultimately we stand relatively pat, as we did last year, making one move that proved to produce little to the equation.

Regardless, enjoy this team. This group has great leadership in Sabonis and Fox, and as the rest rally around them, great things can yet happen.

Stay tuned for an exciting second half, and if you like what you've read let me know your thoughts at vggharriskingsfan@gmail.com.

Until next time, GO KINGS!! ★

Jerrett Davis Takes Helm as Executive Chef for Hard Rock Hotel and Casino



Jerrett Davis

Heather Atherton PR News Release

WHEATLAND, CA (MPG)

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain is proud to introduce our new farm to fork focused Executive Chef, Jerrett Davis. Davis will oversee all culinary operations for eight dining venues including the award-winning Council Oak Steaks & Seafood and the signature Hard Rock Café as well as the Fresh Market Buffet, YouYu Asian Bistro and Constant Grind. A California native who spent 10 years cooking for the Maloof family after serving as a Marine

around the world, Davis brings his unique flavor and perspective to the Hard Rock team in Wheatland.

Raised in southern Central California, just North of the Santa Ynez wine country, Davis moved to Sacramento in high school and graduated from McClatchy High School. He then enlisted in the Marines and spent four years traveling to 20 countries. Throughout his career he has also had the opportunity to work in Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and San Francisco prior to landing at Hard Rock Sacramento in Wheatland. He worked for the Maloof family for a decade as their personal chef and was able to cook for celebrities, sports stars, and dignitaries.

"I love what I do. Seeing people enjoy what I create and snapping photos of their plates is a guilty pleasure," explained Davis. "I'm thrilled to join the band and be able to work with such an incredibly iconic brand like Hard Rock Café and

the other amazing restaurants here on the property to deliver my vision to the palates of our guests."

Davis lives on seven acres in Grass Valley with his family. He loves the outdoors and enjoys hunting, fishing, foraging, and farming. He collects whiskeys and has a passion for Bourbon and wine and holds a collection of rare bottles.

"We are thrilled for Jerrett to join our team and oversee our restaurant menu development. His food and beverage background coupled with his experience as a veteran is incredibly valuable in the fast-paced environment of restaurants," explained Jarrett Hipp, Director of Food and Beverage for Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain. "His familiarity with the Central Valley farm to fork connection and his roots in Sacramento make him a great fit to design our menus and lead our culinary team." ★



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1. BRING A LIST OF HOME MEDICATIONS. Know what medications you take on a regular basis. When you are admitted someone will ask you to provide a list of your med and will put them in your chart. Your attending doctor will decide which to keep you on in the hospital. On this one, I asked **Kati** if it's a good idea to have a list of vitamins and herbs you take, and she said absolutely because of interactions.

2. MAKE A LIST OF HEALTH CARE TEAM MEMBERS. An extensive team of health professionals will come and go from your room. It's hard to tell which is which...doc, nurse, consultant etc. You and your support person will want to write down who is who, along with their instructions.

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5. WRITE DOWN QUESTIONS AS YOU THINK OF THEM. Except for nurses, most team members stop by your room once a day, review your care plan, and make adjustments. It's not easy to remember all your question.

6. ADVOCATE FOR YOURSELF. Let the nurse know of any changes in your condition so the information can be relayed to your health care team. Also, if for any reason, you are not happy with a member of your health care team, let your nurse know that you'd like to speak with a nurse manager.

7. LEAVE THE EQUIPMENT TO THE EXPERTS. Hospitals are full of elaborate, high-tech equipment. If any equipment becomes dislodged, always alert a nurse. Unfortunately, incidents have occurred where patients or family inflict irreparable harm when trying to fix things themselves.

That's just the tip of the iceberg, lots more in "**Admit one.**" You can also check out her other books at

STAY WELL!

Harris Center for the Arts Presents "Mystic Pizza"



(L-R) Krystina Alabado, Gianna Yanelli, Kyra Kennedy.

Harris Center for the Arts News Release, photos by Jason Niedle

FOLSOM, CA (MPG) - As part of its West Coast Premiere, Harris Center for the Arts is excited to present six performances of "Mystic Pizza". Following engagements at La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts (January 19-February 11) and Center Repertory Company at Leshner Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek (February 15-25), the three-city West Coast Premiere will perform on the Harris Center mainstage for six performances, Wednesday, February 28 through Sunday March 3.

Based on the beloved 1988 MGM rom-com that launched the career of Julia Roberts, **Mystic Pizza** is a new musical about three working-class girls who navigate the complexities of life, love, and family in a small-town pizza joint serving everyone from the townies to the privileged country club set. And what's in that secret sauce, you ask? The hits of the 80s and 90s! The hit songs range from "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" to "Hold On" to "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now."

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Performing Arts, **Mystic Pizza** will perform Wednesday, February 28 through Saturday, March 3 at 7:30 pm, with additional matinee performances on Saturday, March 2 and Sunday, March 3 at 2:00 pm, at the Harris Center for the Arts at Folsom Lake College, 10 College Parkway in Folsom.

About the Cast and Creative Team
Directed by Casy Hushion; Music Direction by Kristin Stowell; Choreography by Connor Gallagher.

The cast of **Mystic Pizza** features: Gianna Yanelli as "Josephina (JoJo) Barboza," Kyra Kennedy as "Katherine (Kat) Arujo," Krystina Alabado as "Daisy Arujo," Rayanne Gonzales as "Leona Silvia," Jordan Friend as "Bill Montijo," Michael Thomas Grant as "Charles Gordon Windsor, Jr.," and Chris Cardozo as "Tim Travers." The Ensemble features Domo D'dante, Michael James, April Josephine, Louis Pardo, Monika Peña, Alyssa M. Simmons, Jeff Skowron, Jake Swain, and Rachel Wirtz. Swings are Chachi Delgado and Tayler Mettra.

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Supreme Court will hear case about homeless encampments, with huge implications for California



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By **Jeanne Kuang**
CALMatters.org

The U.S. Supreme Court will weigh in on whether cities can legally ban or limit unhoused people camping in public spaces — a case that could grant California officials more power to sweep homeless camps.

The case, originating from the Oregon city of Grants Pass, could overturn or narrow a five-year-old precedent from a federal appeals court that limited how much cities in Western states could criminalize those who sleep on the streets when there aren't enough shelter spaces available.

In the older case — *Martin v. Boise* — the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in 2018 that it's cruel and unusual punishment to criminalize camping on public property when the people in question have nowhere else they can legally sleep. The ruling was binding on West Coast cities, where rising rates of unsheltered homelessness that later spiked during the pandemic were driving local politicians to pass public camping prohibitions. In 2019 the Supreme Court declined to hear an appeal of that case.

Since then, California cities have often been subject to federal lawsuits after passing restrictions on when and where the unhoused can set up camps. Relying on

the ruling in the Boise case, judges have delayed or outright halted camping bans from being enforced in cities including San Francisco, Sacramento, Chico and San Rafael, finding that the cities had failed to provide adequate alternate shelter options for the residents they were about to sweep from their encampments.

The situation has led city officials — and Gov. Gavin Newsom — to complain that the Boise ruling has tied their hands from addressing the state's sprawling encampments, arguing they need to sweep camps both for health and safety reasons and for the well-being of encampment residents. It's led liberal state and local officials, including Newsom, to join conservatives in asking the court for more power to penalize the homeless for sleeping outside. The high court has a 6-3 conservative majority.

In a high-profile case that has particularly drawn Newsom's ire, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals this month backed a judge's 2022 ruling restricting San Francisco's enforcement of certain bans on sleeping on sidewalks and in parks, because the city hadn't shown there were other locations that were "realistically available" to unhoused residents before a city sweep.

"California's elected officials who seek in good faith to improve what often appears to be

an intractable crisis have found themselves without options, forced to abandon efforts to make the spaces occupied by unhoused people safer for those within and near them," Newsom's administration wrote to the Supreme Court in September.

An attorney for the homeless Grants Pass residents said in a statement today that politicians were wrong to blame judges for the homelessness crisis. He said cities have always been allowed to regulate encampments, even under the recent rulings.

"The issue before the Court is whether cities can punish homeless residents simply for existing without access to shelter," said Ed Johnson, director of litigation at the Oregon Law Center.

The case is being closely watched by officials across California and could widely affect how they respond to encampments. Newsom's statement was part of an amicus curiae brief the administration filed in the case. Amicus briefs are legal briefs submitted by parties not directly involved in a given case, but who typically take one side or the other in a case. The majority of the amicus briefs filed in the case were from California entities and, though more than a dozen mostly-Republican-led state governments also filed a brief, Newsom was the only governor to weigh in.

In addition to Newsom's, other filings include the California State Association of Counties, the California State Sheriffs' Association, district attorneys for Sacramento and San Diego counties, the cities of Los Angeles and San Francisco, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bay Area Council, and even the Brentwood Community Council.

But advocates for the unhoused say the Boise ruling is clear. They point out that most cities have hardly enough shelter beds to accommodate their homeless populations and that shelters are often near-full on any given night, and say banning public camping or restricting it does more harm than good by pushing homeless people from location to location.

"All you need to do to be compliant with (the Boise case) is stop using our criminal system as the stick here to solve this problem," said Will Knight, decriminalization director at the National Homelessness Law Center, last year.

In particular, the court rulings have led to a patchwork of interpretations across the state on what qualifies as the "adequate shelter" cities must provide before sweeping homeless camps. The Oregon case that the Supreme Court agreed to hear could provide some clarity — or

so California officials hope.

While the Boise ruling said the government can't broadly ban any public camping without giving people alternative places to stay, Newsom and city officials across California said in briefs filed before the Supreme Court that they want to know whether they can set restrictions on times or locations where camping is allowed.

Other questions include whether cities can criminalize public camping for those whom they call "voluntarily" homeless — people who refuse offers of shelter. And California cities have asked the court to rule on whether, in order to ban camping, they need to have a suitable shelter space available for every individual unhoused person no matter their circumstances, or simply have general shelter beds open the day they sweep a camp.

In Chico, for example, a federal district judge in 2021 ruled that sending unhoused residents to camp on an unshaded airport tarmac on the outskirts of town was not "adequate" enough shelter to justify banning encampments in town. In response, the city settled the case by setting up a site of tiny homes where it can offer encampment residents a room before proceeding to sweep their camp. ★

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