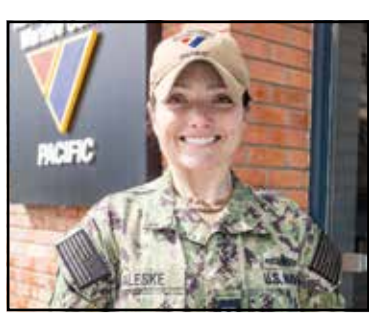




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DeAnn Baker stands with her dad, Wally Baker, in his room at The Waterleaf at Land Park. Photo by Mitch Barber

By Mitch Barber

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Larry Shelton was six or seven years old when he started going to West Capital Raceway in West Sacramento. Why did he go? Shelton said, "They had all these guys who were really good." Shelton is now 64.

He remembers often

reading, "Baker Wins!" in The Sacramento Bee, and clipping it out of the paper to keep; the name-sake West Capital Raceway legend is Wally "Crazy Wheels" Baker. As a young child, Shelton was able to get his picture taken with Mr. Baker, who now lives at The Waterleaf at Land Park, an assisted living facility — the same place

where Shelton's mother passed away. In a recent interview for this article, Shelton said, "A couple weeks ago, I stopped by and saw him."

"Crazy Wheels" doesn't race like he used to but his room is like a shrine, reminding him of his younger years with a bevy of old racing photographs and plaques on the

wall. His days now consist of activities he enjoys, such as bingo, listening to music performances, and dancing.

He is 96 years old, born in Sacramento, and his daughter DeAnn Baker assisted with the interview in the Waterleaf's lounge. She would occasionally write something down to

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Measles Exposure at UC Davis

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) has confirmed one case of measles in a child who was seen at the UC Davis Medical Center Emergency Department between noon and 5 p.m. March 5.

Unvaccinated persons or those with unknown vaccination status who were in the UC Davis Medical Center Emergency Department during the aforementioned time are at risk of developing measles from seven to 21 days after being exposed.

Individuals possibly exposed should follow three steps.

The first step is to review their immunization and medical records to determine if they are protected against measles. Individuals who have not had measles infection previously or who have not received the measles immunization might not be protected from the measles virus. These individuals should talk with a healthcare provider about receiving measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) immunization.

The second step is to contact by phone or email and notify their health care provider as soon as possible about a potential exposure if they are pregnant, an infant, have a weakened immune system and/or are not immunized, regardless of vaccination history. Do not go to your provider in-person or go to the emergency department for potential exposure.

The third step is to monitor themselves for illness with fever and/or an unexplained rash from 7 to 21 days after their exposure (the time period when symptoms may develop); if symptoms develop, stay at home and call a healthcare provider immediately. If you become ill enough that you need to seek medical attention in person, please wear a mask and inform the registration staff that you have had a measles exposure so that appropriate isolation can occur in the healthcare setting.

UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) and Public Health and Health Departments in surrounding counties are contacting identified patients to assess their immunization status and provide guidance to individuals who were exposed. ★

Citizens Academy, Accepting Applications Now!



2023 graduates. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - District Attorney Thien Ho announces applications are now being accepted for the 2024 Citizens Academy. The Sacramento County District Attorney's Office hosts the program in partnership with the Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, and Sacramento County

Probation Department.

The program is designed to engage citizens from all backgrounds and communities in discussion about public safety and criminal justice issues. Participants learn about our local criminal justice system — including the roles of law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts. Topics include the anatomy of a criminal case; specialized areas of prosecution; CSI and crime lab analysis; use of force; innovative

programs and partnerships; and community-focused public safety partnerships and initiatives. There is also an opportunity for a field trip to the District Attorney's Crime Lab and Sacramento Police Department's 911 Communications Center.

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

questions and address community concerns.

There is NO cost to participants. The 10-week course is held on Tuesday evenings starting April 2, 2024 – June 11, 2024, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the Sacramento Police Department's Safety Center (5770 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento).

The deadline to apply is Friday, March 22, 2024.

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



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A St. Patty's to Remember is Underway at The Old Sacramento Waterfront

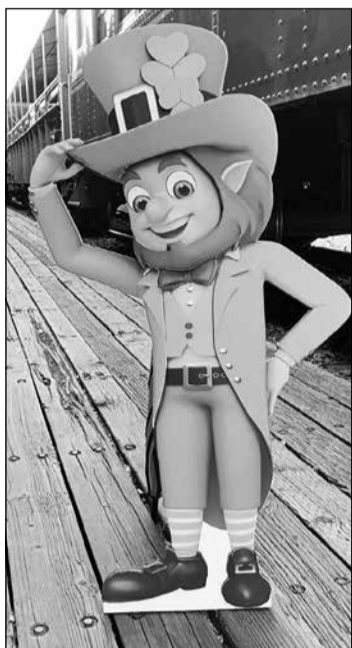
**Traci Rockefeller Cusack,
T-Rock Communications
News Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - St. Patrick's Day is back and better than ever at the Old Sacramento Waterfront. Downtown Sacramento Partnership is excited to welcome back these interactive and family-friendly activities – a Leprechaun Hunt (now through March 18) and the region's only St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival (March 16 from noon to 5 p.m.). Visitors will enjoy a Taste of Ireland (now through March 31) at Old Sacramento Waterfront coffee shops, restaurants and bars that are offering Irish-inspired food and beverages. The community is invited to bring the entire family to the 26th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival to witness beautiful floats, learn Celtic history and traditions, and shop local vendors.



Locals celebrate St. Patty's downtown in a former year. Photo courtesy of Downtown Sacramento

Leprechaun Hunt at the Old Sacramento Waterfront – Now thru 3/18
To go in search of hidden Leprechauns, guests can pick up activity pages at the Sacramento Visitor's Center (1000 Second Street) or download in advance to begin the quest for seven Leprechauns hidden throughout the historic district. The activity book is filled with riddles that lead participants to a Leprechaun with a corresponding secret word to help guests move onto the next hidden Leprechaun and the secret message at the end. Once complete, participants email the secret message to info@oldsacramento.com by March 18 to be entered into a random drawing for a chance to win four tickets to City Cruises or gift cards to Rio City Café.



The Leprechaun Hunt is a family favorite activity on St. Patty's. Photo courtesy of Downtown Sacramento

To add to the fun and share the experience with others, hunt participants and visitors are encouraged to capture images, post them on social media and tag @OldSac. To download the activity pages or find our more detailed information about the St.

Patrick's Day Hunt, click here. **26th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival – 3/16 from Noon to 5 p.m.**

Families, friends, kids, and the young-at-heart are invited to join hundreds of colorful marchers along with Irish and Highland dancers, pipe and



Don your green, grab a pint, and enjoy the day. Photo courtesy of Downtown Sacramento

drum bands, and a variety of cultural organizations at the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival stepping off at 1 p.m. from Neasham and Front Streets.

Emceed by iHeart Media's KISS 107.9 DJ Strawberry, the parade includes more than 40 organizations and groups, and visitors are also encouraged to line the

boardwalks of L, Front, J, and 2nd Streets for the best views of the spirited spectacle.

There will be multiple demo stages with various performances throughout the day, including:

The main Shamrockin' Stage will feature a band playing all day.

The State Parks Stage will focus on entertaining and educating children about Celtic culture.

The Embarcadero Stage will have a Sac Dance Labs taught class, music, and an entertaining magician.

Plus, a Vendor Village will be set-up at K and Front Streets from noon to 5 p.m.

Taste of Ireland – Now thru 3/31

Eleven Old Sacramento Waterfront coffee shops, restaurants and bars are offering a Taste of Ireland (now through March 31) with Irish-inspired foods and beverages, an array of corned beef offerings, Guinness drinks, and Sean Finnegan's Irish Pub will serve "Sacramento's Best Irish Coffee."

Revelers wanting to get a head start on the fun are encouraged to purchase advance tickets to the St. Patrick's Day Bar Crawl (March 15) here. Spirited community members can arrive early to the Old Sacramento Waterfront on March 16 as music and entertainment starts at noon with performers dancing throughout the district alongside a lineup of local vendors and shops offering "lucky" specials.

The 26th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival is proudly produced by Downtown Sacramento Partnership and made possible by the generous support of Brass Ring Amusement, Sean Finnegan's Irish Pub, and XFINITY.

For more information about the Old Sacramento Waterfront please visit www.OldSacramento.com and for more about the Downtown Sacramento Partnership, visit www.DowntownSac.org. ★



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An Ode to Wally "Crazy Wheels"



Wally Baker stands by one of his earlier hardtops, before they evolved into super-modified racing cars. Photo courtesy of DeAnn Baker

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communicate with Mr. Baker; his hearing abilities have declined with age.

Despite his advanced age, Mr. Baker answered questions enthusiastically, occasionally channeling his younger self, describing his work on engines. It was like a time machine: "You started out with a stock engine...Bigger pistons; special racing pistons... You polish the engines... You cut the bottom off... You cut the flywheel all off...I did my own work."

Mr. Baker would visit junkyards for parts and work on his cars in the evenings.

As far as racing goes, Mr. Baker spent much of his time at West Capital Raceway — where Gary Gerould was the P.A. announcer and there were destruction derbies at half-time — but he made his name at other tracks, as well, like those in San Francisco, Calistoga and L.A.

In a telephone interview, Gerould said, "Wally was always a championship contender — A tremendous competitor."

He gave an anecdote expressing Mr. Baker's intensity: "I remember one

time, there was some kind of official's call Wally did not like." Mr. Baker came up to the broadcasting booth. Gerould explained what happened next: "I was receiving the full wrath of his fury." But Mr. Baker realized he was barking up the wrong tree. Gerould said that in the end, "Everything was fine. I was the wrong target."

Some races were 100 laps, although most were 25. In 1972, Tognotti's sponsored three 100-lap races at West Capital. Tognotti had a 1972 Oldsmobile Cutlass for the overall winner of the Tri-Holiday Sweepstakes. Mr. Baker won the first two, on Memorial Day and the 4th of July, and only needed to place 20th in the final race on Labor Day but he won the third race outright, winning the car.

In the '70s Mr. Baker spent much time racing in Australia where he drove his trademark #100 car.

He won often but there were times he didn't win. When asked about crashes, Mr. Baker said he was in "tons of 'em," also saying, "Oh, yeah. I've had bad crashes."

His worst crash had him unconscious for two days and incoherent for two

weeks. Despite the danger involved with car racing, Baker said, "I raced bikes. Motorcycle racing was more dangerous."

His daughter, DeAnn, added, "He flipped a lot of times. He had a lot of injuries, a number of concussions. In fact, we kind of think his state of mind right now is partially due to the number of concussions he had, kind of like the football players. He says all the time, 'It's a miracle. Can you believe I'm still alive?'"

This writer found Mr. Baker easy to talk to and still relatively sharp at 96.

In West Sacramento, DeAnn said the race crowd would hang out at Yolo Club, Vince's and Yolo Pheasant. Today, Mr. Baker has dinner with family and friends on Wednesdays. His favorite dish is Mexican: steak chicana.

When asked about his wife, who wasn't into car racing, according to DeAnn, Mr. Baker said, "I like everything about my wife." She is to be 95 years old in May, and still takes care of herself in the Hollywood Park home that they bought in 1953. That's more than 70 years ago. In the game of longevity, "Baker wins!" ★



Wally Baker's #100 racecar on display in Australia was patriotically decorated. Photo courtesy of DeAnn Baker



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Sacramento Native Serves at Naval Information Warfare Center Pacific

By Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Andrew Hanchar, Navy Office of Community Outreach

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Lt. Jessica Valeske, a Sacramento native, serves the U.S. Navy assigned to Naval Information Warfare Center (NIWC) Pacific.

Valeske graduated from Sheldon High School in 2008.

The skills and values needed to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Sacramento.

"My family back at home has taught me the power of respect and integrity," said Valeske. "Having these values instilled in me from such a young age has helped me in my Navy career."

Valeske joined the Navy 11 years ago. Today, Valeske serves as an engineering duty officer.

"I joined the Navy because college was expensive and the Navy provided an alternative that would give me life-long skills," said Valeske. "I also wanted to get out of my hometown and see the world."

NIWC Pacific is comprised of more than 5,200 scientists, researchers, engineers, technicians, and personnel who develop and deploy technologies to support warfighters from seabed to space.

With 90% of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of undersea fiber optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity of the United States is directly linked to recruiting and retaining talented people from across the rich fabric of America.

"We will earn and



Lt. Jessica Valeske. Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Jordan Jennings, Navy Office of Community Outreach

reinforce the trust and confidence of the American people every day," said Adm. Lisa Franchetti, Chief of Naval Operations. "Together we will deliver the Navy the nation needs."

Valeske has many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during military service.

"I am most proud to have been accepted to the Naval Academy where I earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and a master's degree in electrical engineering," said Valeske. "I am also proud of having gone on three deployments and having climbed the ranks from enlisted to commissioning to becoming a lieutenant."

Valeske serves a Navy that operates far forward, around the world and around the clock, promoting the nation's prosperity

and security.

"Serving in the Navy means giving up certain rights and holidays to serve and protect the American people," said Valeske. "We as sailors become something bigger than ourselves."

Valeske is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

"I would like to thank my mom, Susan, and the rest of my family for always supporting me and being there for me whenever I needed them," said Valeske.

Valeske is also grateful for the opportunity to serve in the Navy.

"I am looking forward to building and contributing to innovating the fleet in terms of technology and keeping this Navy the biggest and strongest navy in the world," added Valeske. ★

March Is Women's History Month

By Sheila LaPolla

In 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women, according to National Women's History Alliance.

The National Women's History Month's theme for 2024 celebrates "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion." The theme recognizes

women throughout the country who understand that, for a positive future, we need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely from our lives and institutions, according to National Women's History Alliance.

Women's History Month celebrates the vital role of women in American history. The vibrancy and legacy of women past and present unifies and nourishes our collective whole as we march onward towards fundamental human equality.

We all play a vital part in the intricately woven fabric of who we are as a whole.

We women, young and old, of diverse backgrounds and beliefs, play a fundamental role in shaping our country's future. We need to be ever mindful of our power and not only reflect upon and celebrate the lives of famous women pioneers and leaders in our history and the unsung women heroes of our daily lives; we need to SHOUT IT OUT to the world and be a part of that SHOUT OUT! ★

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March is Museum Membership Month with Special Offers and Discounts

Traci Rockefeller Cusack, T-Rock Communications News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sacramento area museums are proud to present a variety of special membership opportunities during Museum Membership Month happening in March 2024. The benefits of museum membership often extend well beyond financial savings and often include exclusive experiences only available to members. Plus, there's something for everyone – fine art, science, history, and culture – as the local museum community offers memberships at virtually every museum and/or destination.

To help kick-off Museum Membership Month, the collaboration of museums presented a Free Museum Weekend March 2-3 that had limited capacity, required advance registration, and was another resounding success.

To highlight Museum Membership Month that continues through March, many of the local museums are offering special incentives and discounts for enthusiasts who choose to become members of their favorite museums and destinations. A few limited time offers during the month of March include the following:

California Museum – The community is invited to unlock extended benefits at the California Museum – home of the California Hall of Fame – during March Membership Madness. New and renewing members receive three extra months free for a total of 15 months of free Museum admission. Most membership benefits also include discounted or free admission to ticketed public programs, Museum Store discounts, and reciprocal admission at up to 1,700 North American institutions through the Time Travelers Network and/or the North American Reciprocal Museum Association. With four membership levels starting at just \$50, there's a perfect fit for kids, individuals, pairs, and families to explore California's rich history, diversity, and unique influence on the world of ideas, innovation, art and culture. To join the madness, visit www.californiamuseum.org/march-membership-madness.

Crocker Art Museum – Memberships to the Crocker Art Museum help to strengthen programs and exhibitions that make the Sacramento region a more vibrant place to live, work, play and stay. New members during the month of March will receive free

general admission for 12 months, ArtLetter magazine (except Educator level), invitations to exclusive members-only events and exhibition previews, discounts on lectures, concerts, and classes, discounts starting at 10 percent in the Museum Store, a 10 percent discount on the purchase of gift memberships, and member eNews with exclusive offers and announcements. For more, visit www.CrockerArt.org/membership.

Sacramento History Museum – New members who join during the month of March will receive tickets for a historic walking tour. A purchase of a Basic Membership will include two tickets for the popular Gold Fever! Game tour and those who purchase a Premium Membership will receive two tickets for an Old Sacramento Underground tour. Plus, membership includes free admission to the Sacramento History Museum, discounts in the Museum Store, tours, and special events. And, because the Museum participates with the Time Travelers reciprocal program, basic memberships receive benefits at more than 300 museums across the country. Those who become Premium members also enjoy NARM (North American Reciprocal Museum) benefits at more than 1,300 museums nationwide, including free admission. For more information, visit www.sachistorymuseum.org/get-involved/become-a-member.

In addition to these special incentives offered during March, membership has special privileges (which vary by museum) and can include benefits such as the following: free museum entrance all year long, special invitations to member-only events and receptions, preview and/or "behind-the-scenes" opportunities for new exhibits and offerings, free guest admission passes (to share with friends and family), discounts at museum stores and/or advance purchase opportunities on special programs and events, reciprocal admission at museums across the nation, and more.

For more information about upcoming activities offered by Sacramento area museums, "like" them on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/SacMuseums, follow them on Instagram and Twitter @SacMuseums or visit the user-friendly website at www.SacMuseums.org. Those interested can also sign up for emails to learn more about your Sacramento Area Museums via the website at www.sacmuseums.org. ★

Five Solutions to Some of California's Woes



Commentary by Ted Gaines

California's biggest problem is up for debate. Sadly, there are many contenders vying for that dubious distinction. But instead of focusing on the problems, we need to be focused on solutions. Without rank, here are five chronic California problems where state leadership has completely failed and one simple idea for each to help improve governance and boost our quality of life.

Budget: This budget year, California faces a nearly \$40 billion deficit. To avoid such massive shortfalls, California should adhere to the state's "Gann Limit," a law passed by the voters in 1979 that limits annual budget growth to a combination of population growth and inflation. The Gann Limit is ignored or avoided by legislative trickery, but it provides a simple structure that would avoid the massive budget growth that contributes to massive deficits whenever state revenues drop. Gann addresses California's spending problem.

Housing: One of many reasons housing is so expensive is excessive government fees, which can run as high as \$135,000 for

building a single-family residence. Right now, an El Dorado County man is battling these fees in his *Sheetz v. County of El Dorado*, California case currently before the US Supreme Court. I hope he wins, but the state doesn't need to be forced into fairness by a court decision. Developer fees serve a specific purpose but have morphed into a revenue source for governments. They should all be reviewed to ensure they are meeting their purpose only and not as a backdoor funding source for general government operations. This could help lower housing costs.

Crime: California's empowered criminals do not fear punishment and retailers are paying the price. Governor Newsom just recently witnessed this himself at a Target store. Thieves can afford to be cavalier, and casually stroll out of stores with arms full of merchandise because we've essentially eliminated punishment for shoplifting anything under \$950 in value. I'm encouraging Californians to sign the petition to repeal Prop. 47 that has wreaked havoc on our state and give prosecutors the ability to charge smaller retail thefts as felonies once again.

Insurance: The one thing leaving the state faster than its residents might be its insurers, who are pulling out of all or some of California's markets seemingly by the day. California must repeal Prop. 103 and make it easier for insurance companies to adjust rates and offerings. While this may lead to some price

increases in the short term, providing a framework for more insurers to write policies here will lead to more competition, more choice, and more options for consumers.

Homelessness: This problem may be most emblematic of the California Way, where taxpayers pay the most but get the least. Cities in some of the state's most beautiful and valuable areas have been overrun by a permanent cadre of homeless, many of whom are obviously mentally ill and who, by their own admission, are addicts. The state must dramatically expand the concept of forced care in Governor Newsom's "Care Court" proposal, to promote the health and safety of the homeless, but also to reclaim our streets, parks, and sidewalks for their intended purposes.

President Reagan once said there are no easy answers, but there are simple answers. And it won't get better overnight. California holds all the promise it ever did and it can again be a national leader in all that is right and good. It has been in decline, but this can all be turned around by showing the political will to implement simple ideas that would reverse some of the state's chronic problems. With the right choices, our future is bright.

Sen. Ted Gaines (Ret.) is a member of the State Board of Equalization representing 34 counties in Northern, Eastern and Southern California. For more information, visit www.boe.ca.gov/Gaines. ★

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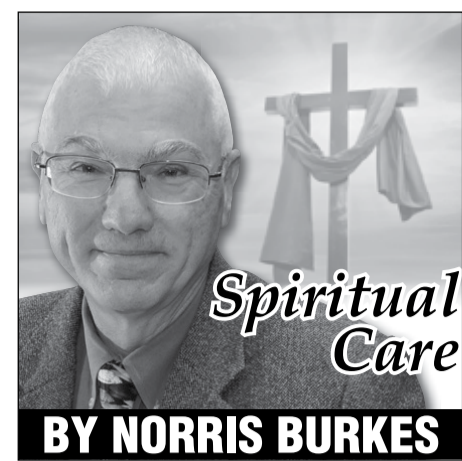
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Nonsensical Prayer Slams into Reality



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Instead, to this very scared mom on our oncology unit, I admitted what I knew to be true: I knew nothing.

"I'm not sure that God is looking for dialogue from us that makes sense," I said, "because I'm not sure we are expected to be doing sensible things at a moment like this."

Looking for sensible words in our prayers can be as senseless as expecting patterns in the wind. "Sensible" prayers are our attempt to find a formula or to cast a holy spell with which we make God do as we wish.

We've invented all kinds of prayer systems, but in the end, the only thing that gets us through the hardest times are the prayers that resonate in our hearts.

When it comes to the language of prayer, God uses the human heart as a universal translator by which he is best able to hear us. The prayers we express at a time like this don't always align with sensible theology.

Jesus suggested that the best way to find alignment with spiritual things is to find a closet in which to pray.

I love how The Message translates Jesus' words from Matthew 6:6:

"Here's what I want you to do: Find a quiet, secluded place so you won't be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace."

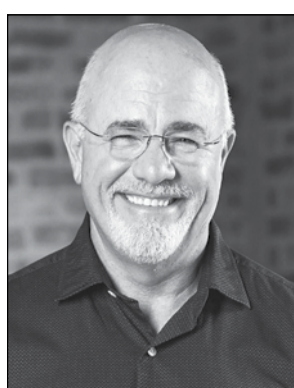
The gist of the teaching is: When it's just you and God in the closet, you have no witnesses. You needn't care what your prayers sound like. The only thing that will matter is that God hears you.

All of which tells me that whether it is backing into a parked pickup or hitting the wall of reality, the prayers of a fearful heart will always find the ear of a loving God.

By the way, I was able to open the trunk by following the method of many a TV evangelist. I placed one hand on the ailing part of the car and one hand on my Bible and just "beeeelieved."

Sadly, the trunk lid bounced back on my head. You should have heard my knot-headed prayer then.

So, may I just say that should you decide to visit our church, we have two parking lots. You might prayerfully consider parking in the rear parking lot, away from the silver Camry. ★



Control Your Mind and Money

Dear Dave,

I'm trying to work my way out of debt, but it seems like something always happens to stall things or knock me backwards. I make \$55,000 a year, I'm single and I have \$15,000 in debt, along with a mortgage payment of \$1,224 a month. I've been trying to live on a budget, but I'm still not sure where all my money goes. Can you help?

– Lindley

Dear Lindley,

I know living on a budget can be hard at first. And honestly, it usually takes folks who are new to doing it about three or four months of practice before they start getting it right and seeing the results.

For starters, your house payment is a little heavy for someone making

Dave Ramsey Says

\$55,000 a year. I generally recommend keeping your mortgage or rent payment at about 25% of your take-home pay. Sometimes you can slide by paying a little more, but in those cases, you'd really have to be on top of your finances. So, the biggest thing you can do right now is take control of your money, instead of letting it—or a lack of it—control you. And the best way to make all this happen is by consistently living on a realistic, written monthly budget.

Once you start doing this, you've taken your first big step toward having a real gameplan for your money. At that point, the idea of trying to live on a budget ends, and the fact that you are living on a budget, and telling your money what to do—instead of a lack of it dictating what you can do—becomes more of a reality.

Remember the Star Wars movie "The Empire Strikes Back"? At one point during Luke's training, Yoda tells him, "Do, or do not. There is no try." In a larger sense,

Yoda is urging Luke to focus and work harder, instead of continuing with half-hearted attempts and giving up easily. If you want to accomplish a difficult task, Lindley, you have to throw yourself into it completely. You must fully commit, and stop making excuses. You have to focus, and fight to make it happen.

It's no fun waking up broke at the end of every pay period. We both know this. So, put your head down and get your mind in gear. Make. This. Happen.

You can do it!

– Dave

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Social Security Matters

Will My Benefit Increase if I Work While Collecting Disability?



By Russell Gloor,
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Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be 64 in March and currently receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) payments. My full retirement age is 67, but I'm thinking about trying to return to work.

If I work and my earnings exceed the monthly disability payment limits, but do not exceed the annual limit, how will my disability payments be affected? Will working while receiving Social Security disability payments change my Social Security benefit amount when I reach my full retirement age of 67? **Signed: Mending**

Dear Mending: Social Security doesn't go by annual earnings when it comes to disability (SSDI) - they go by monthly earnings. If your work earnings in any one month of 2024 exceed \$1,550, that will be a flag to SS that you are no longer disabled (\$2,590 per month if you're blind). If that happens for a few months in a row, they will most likely stop your SSDI payments. Often, this happens retroactively - they won't find out until sometime later that you repeatedly exceeded the monthly limit - but they will likely cancel your SSDI benefits and require you to repay any benefits you received in months you exceeded the monthly

SSDI earnings limit, or months they deem you were capable of working without restriction.

I suggest you consider enrolling in Social Security's "Ticket to Work" program. While enrolled, you can work and will have a rolling 9 month "Trial Work Period" over 5 years, during which you can earn more than \$1,110/month (in 2024) without jeopardizing your SSDI benefits. If, after completing your 9 month trial work period, you are taken off of SSDI (because you're no longer considered disabled), and you again become disabled and unable to work, your SSDI benefits can resume without requiring you to go through the entire application process again. You can test your ability to work, will be able to work some and can earn more than the limit in some months, which makes the Ticket to Work program your best option. Read more about it here: <https://choose-work.ssa.gov/>.

As for whether working while on SSDI will improve your benefit at your full retirement age (FRA), that depends. Your current SSDI benefit is equal to your FRA entitlement from your earnings record at your disability onset date (but paid to you prior to your FRA). The method for determining your benefit under SSDI is complex and depends on the age at which you became unable to work and the number of Social Security credits you had accumulated at that time. Although SS retirement benefits normally require you earn at least 40 SS quarter credits and are based on your highest earning 35 years, those approved for SSDI can get benefits with fewer than 40 credits

and less than 35 years of lifetime earnings. Since each case is unique, I cannot say whether your earnings while on SSDI will improve your FRA amount, but Social Security will monitor your earnings and increase your benefit if appropriate.

FYI, your SSDI benefit would normally automatically convert to become your regular SS retirement benefit at your FRA at the same amount you were receiving while on SSDI. It's possible that the limited earnings you may have from working while on SSDI may increase your benefit, but that's impossible for me to predict. Your benefit is based on your lifetime earnings history (adjusted for inflation), not on your contributions to Social Security while working.

So, if you are on SSDI and wish to try returning to work, and you think your monthly earnings will occasionally exceed the SSDI limit, I suggest you contact Social Security (1.800.772.1213 or your local office) to explore enrolling in the Ticket to Work program. That would be your best option to avoid jeopardizing your SSDI benefits, and your benefit amount will be automatically adjusted by Social Security if appropriate.

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Fewer Students And Higher Absenteeism Plague California's Public School Financing



By Dan Walters,
CALMatters.org

California's public schools live – or die – by the numbers.

They are utterly dependent on how much money the state budget allocates each year under Proposition 98, a formula adopted by voters in 1988 that only a few wonks in and around the Capitol profess to understand – and even they often disagree.

Prop. 98 computations are also subject to political horse-trading during each budget cycle. Whatever number emerges is then distributed to school districts, primarily based on "average daily attendance."

California is one of only a few states that use attendance to distribute state aid and a perpetual debate over whether it should continue is becoming more intense because two major factors in school attendance – enrollment and student absences – have been regressing.

California experienced rapid population growth over the last two decades of the 20th century, due to a wave of migration from other states and a baby boom. That translated into a 50% increase in K-12 school enrollment, eventually topping out at 6.3 million kids.

After reaching a plateau, however, enrollment started declining as the state began

losing population, thanks largely to movements to other states, and as the state's birthrate dropped dramatically.

"Demographic projections suggest enrollment will continue to decline across the state over the coming decade," according to a recent report by the Public Policy Institute of California. "The California Department of Finance (DOF) projects that declines will persist at roughly 40,000 to 60,000 students per year, resulting in enrollment levels below 5.2 million by 2032."

The inexorable decline in enrollment is exacerbated by a startling large number of students who may be enrolled but are chronically absent – what once was known as playing hooky.

During the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic almost all of California's schools were closed, but even with online classes, attendance took a nosedive. After schools were reopened, however, chronic absenteeism – students missing from the classroom 10% or more of the time – continued to be a problem. Prior to the pandemic 12% of the state's students were chronically absent, but in the first year after schools reopened the rate was 30% and since then has declined marginally to 25%, according to a new PPIC study.

PPIC researchers learned that the most absence-prone children these days are in kindergarten or the early primary grades while, prior to the pandemic, high schoolers were most likely to be missing classes.

"High levels of absenteeism among the youngest students is particularly concerning since absenteeism

tends to have a snowball effect: a student is more likely to be chronically absent in later grades if they are chronically absent in earlier ones," PPIC's report noted.

During the pandemic, school finances were bolstered by billions of dollars in federal relief funds and a temporary respite from attendance-based state aid, but both of those programs have expired, so districts are beginning to feel the full impact of enrollment declines and absenteeism.

As the gaps between income and outgo widen, school officials throughout the state are contemplating school closures – which almost always generate neighborhood opposition – while pressing the state to change the attendance-based system.

"Between 2012 and 2021, nearly 700 schools across the state were closed, resulting in roughly 167,000 students being displaced," Policy Analysis for California Education, a multi-university research project, reported recently, adding that "Black students were more likely to experience school closure than any other racial subgroup. Black students represent nearly 14 percent of the student body in schools that were closed."

Demography is destiny and California's school conundrum of declining enrollment, high absenteeism and unstable attendance will become more intense. It warrants urgent attention by the state's political figures, from the governor downward.

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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01417 Mary E. Moreno, 9032 Rosewood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sterling Silver Roses & Things" 9032 Rosewood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
STERLING 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01681 Niki Staben, 4265 Enchanted Circle, Roseville, CA 95747 and Craig Hall, 8220 Firewood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "S&H Billiard Supply" 8220 Firewood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2024
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S&H 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00838 The Anxiety Treatment Center, 10419 Old Placerville Road, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Anxiety Treatment Center" 10419 Old Placerville Road, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 1, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01478 John A. Morrison, PO Box 655, Roseville, CA 95661 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rush Our Delivery" 4946 Watt Avenue Unit 23, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
RUSH 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01458 Richard Johnson, 4220 Prospect Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gold Spur Realty/Gold Spur Land & Home Realty" 4220 Prospect Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
GOLD 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01537 Duc Pham, 8096 Polo Crosse Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DMP Construction" 8096 Polo Crosse Avenue, Sacramento,

CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 29, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
DMP 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01757 Sloughhouse Corn LLC, 10276 Altameza Road, Wilton, CA 95693 doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sloughhouse Sweet Corn/Davis Ranch LLC" 13501 Jackson Road, Sloughhouse, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 7, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
SLOUGHHOUSE 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01807 Seedstar Inc., 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Seedstar Cannabis" 5711 Florin Perkins Road, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 7, 2024
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
SEEDSTAR 4-5-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV002730

Avinash Tuta and Kavyalakshmi Vintha has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Charvirreddy Tuta to Charvik Tuta.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 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: February 8, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2024
TUTA 3-22-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV001191

Jesus Daniel Resendez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jesus Daniel Resendez to Quentin Lemieux.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 30, 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: January 24, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2024
RESENDEZ 3-22-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003632

Mohammad Rahim Yalghaz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Rahim Yalghaz to Rahim Yalghaz.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 15, 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: February 28, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024
YALGHAZ 3-29-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003621

Edward James Thompson and Iridian Eunice McConico has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Edward James Thompson to Edward James Salcido and Nazare Lenae Salcido.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 14, 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: February 23, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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THOMPSON 3-29-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003707

Kennedy McKenzie Gordon has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kennedy Mackenzie O'Shea to Kennedy Mackenzie O'Shea.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 15, 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: February 29, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024
GORDON 3-29-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV002615

Jackson Alexander Caine has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jackson Alexander Caine to Hamza Mohammad Akhtar.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 6, 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: February 13, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024
CAINE 3-29-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV002660

Maleyka Aliyeva has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Maleyka Aliyeva to Malika Aliyeva.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 6, 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: February 14, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024
ALYEVA 3-29-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003856

Tarjinder Singh Kaler has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tarjinder Singh Kaler to Tarjinder Singh.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 15, 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: March 1, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2024
KALER 4-5-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DAVID ROBERT BIEDERMAN CASE NO. 24PR000415

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Mary Barr and Brent Biederman, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Mary Barr and Brent Biederman 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 March 27, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney

for Petitioner is: Mark F. Omellas, McKinley, Conger, Jolley & Galameau, LLP, 3031 W. March Lane Suite 230 West, Stockton, CA 95219; 209-477-8171
Publish: March 1, 8, 15, 2024
BIEDERMAN 3-15-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LENA AMARIS CLARK SHARIAH CASE NO. 24PR000014

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Lena Amaris Clark, Lena Amaris Clark Shariah.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows March 27, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner is: Monica Anne Clark Johnson, PO Box 276562, Sacramento, CA 95827; 510-693-7516
Publish: March 1, 8, 15, 2024
SHARIAH 3-15-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CURT W. STAFFORD, AKA CURTIS WAYNE STAFFORD CASE NO. 24PR000111

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Curt W. Stafford, aka Curtis Wayne Stafford.

An Amended Petition for Probate has been filed by Vanessa A. Allen, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Vanessa A. Allen 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 April 11, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

California Continues to Expand Hydrogen-Powered Passenger Rail Fleet



One of the new rail fleets travels through the countryside. Photo courtesy of Caltrans

Caltrans News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Caltrans today announced a \$127 million agreement with Stadler Rail, Inc. for six more zero-emission, hydrogen-powered passenger trainsets, building upon an earlier order to deliver the first four hydrogen-powered intercity trainsets in North America, furthering California's standing as a world leader in clean transportation.

The trains will help California adapt to climate change by strengthening the state's zero-emission passenger rail capabilities. The first trains are expected to enter revenue service in 2027. The trainset design will make them more efficient, lighter weight and more affordable than traditional locomotive-hauled coaches.

The purchase is funded through Governor Gavin Newsom's historic \$10 billion, multiyear zero-emission vehicle package, which included \$407 million for the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) to purchase or lease state-of-the-art clean bus and rail equipment and

infrastructure.

The first trains will operate between Merced and Sacramento on the future Valley Rail service – an expansion of the existing Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) and Amtrak San Joaquins services that will eventually connect with the first section of California's high-speed rail service. The trains will also be demonstrated on corridors throughout the state in coordination with intercity and regional rail partners. With this option order, there are 19 option trainsets remaining on the base contract that Caltrans signed with Stadler in October 2023.

"California continues to lead the way to a cleaner, more connected transportation system," said California Transportation Secretary Toks Omishakin. "By expanding our fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trainsets, we are showing we are serious about deploying innovative and sustainable transportation options for the people of this state."

"These clean-energy trains are the future," said Caltrans Director Tony Tavares. "California is

building a climate-resilient transportation system that will help every community move around the state in a safe and sustainable way."

The vehicles will be based on Stadler's successful Fast Light Intercity and Regional Train (FLIRT) concept, extending work done with the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority to develop self-powered multiple-unit trains using zero-emission hydrogen fuel cells without the need of a separate locomotive.

"We are very proud to be providing additional hydrogen trains to the California State Transportation Agency and Caltrans. With our multiple units, we are jointly driving the decarbonization of rail transportation in the U.S.," said Stadler CEO Martin Ritter. "We thank CalSTA and Caltrans for their trust and look forward to deepening our partnership."

California continues to build momentum in its nation-leading effort to harness clean renewable hydrogen power, critical to cutting planet-warming pollution and expanding the clean energy economy statewide. Caltrans' purchase of the first four trainsets in October came one day before the U.S. Department of Energy announced California will receive up to \$1.2 billion as one of the country's hydrogen hubs to accelerate the development and deployment of clean renewable hydrogen. ★



Food & Farm NEWS

Winegrape growers pull out vineyards amid shrinking market demand

A once-in-a-generation downturn in the wine market is reshaping California's grape growing regions as farmers tear out vines to rebalance supply with declining demand. Throughout this winter, bulldozers have plowed through Lodi's wine country, leveling vineyards and piling vines in mangled heaps on either side of Highway 99 in San Joaquin County. Thousands of acres in the region have been removed or are slated for removal, according to an ongoing survey of its members by the Lodi District Grape Growers Association.

As pistachio production surges, California growers seek new markets

California pistachio growers are searching the globe for potential emerging markets to handle expected record-shattering crops during the next few years. A market outlook for the surging pistachio sector was offered at the American Pistachio Growers annual conference last week in Monterey. Pistachio shipments to Europe, Asia, Canada and Mexico allowed the sector to avoid overproduction with a 2023 crop that approached 1.5 billion pounds. Pistachio harvests are expected to

grow exponentially as nonbearing acreage comes into production.

Sunflower growers seek new contracts after seed firms leave state

A second contractor of hybrid sunflower seed production has pulled out of California in as many years, sending growers scrambling to find new seed-production contracts or replacement crops. Early this year, Syngenta told growers it was shutting down its California hybrid sunflower planting seed program and would no longer be contracting the crop. The company planned to close its Hamilton City seed-processing facility after finishing the 2023 crop. Last year, Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. closed its Woodland commercial seed lab.

Sacramento water forum focuses on improving data collection

Improving data practices to best manage California's water resources helped drive discussions last week as state and local water managers, farmers, environmentalists and others gathered in Sacramento for the California Irrigation Institute Conference. With a theme of "Fluid Futures: Adapting to Extremes," the Feb. 26-27 event focused on leveraging information and data technology to make water-management decisions. ★

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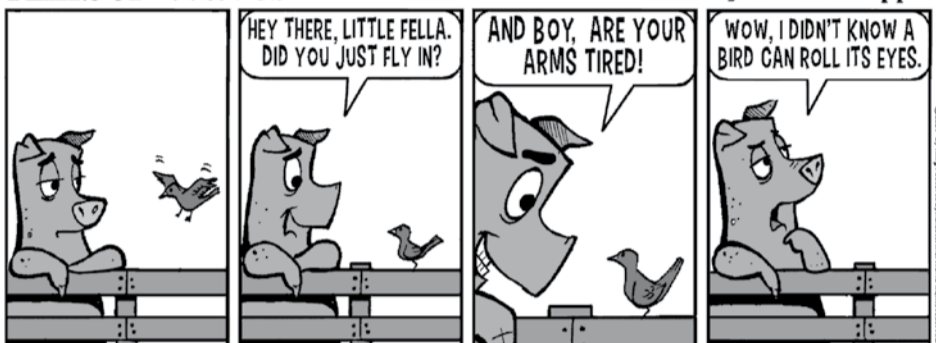
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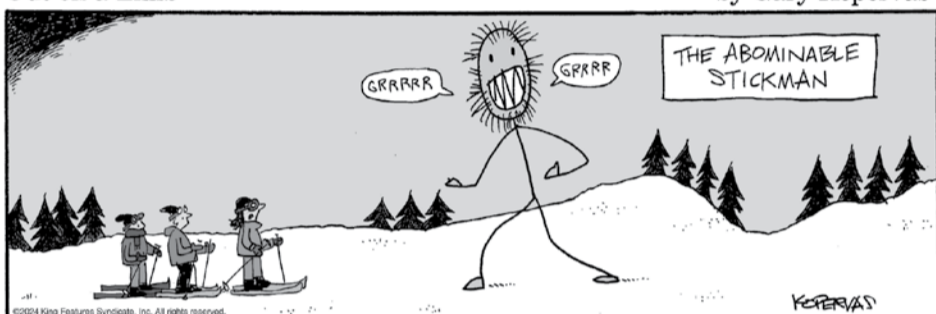
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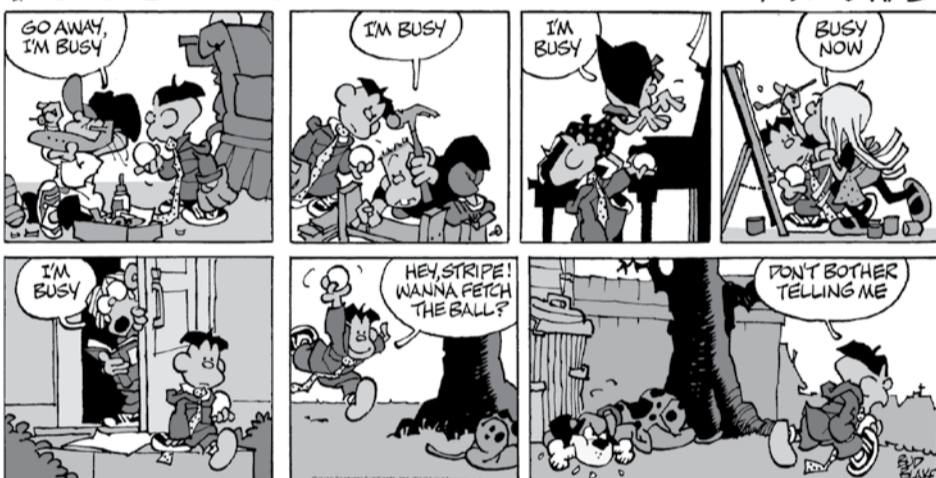
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- College cadet program
- Comedian Schumer
- Not square
- October birthstone
- Dueling weapon
- Flambé
- Capital of Azerbaijan
- Rugged rock
- Actress Vergara
- *What many chicks are doing in spring
- *"Me and Bobby McGee" singer-songwriter
- *What the weather does in spring across the U.S.
- Make a seam
- Old name for 5-iron in golf
- Facing
- 20s dispenser
- Bodily fluids
- Steak choice
- Dungeness and snow, e.g.
- "Chapter" in history
- African antelope
- Republic of Ireland
- Made a feline sound
- 34th U.S. President
- Knock-at-the-door onomatopoeia
- the Great, king of Persia
- Give it a go
- Fraternity K
- Dr Pepper, e.g.
- *The Beach Boys: "Sprung", good vibration"
- Member of Nahuatl people
- #23 Across, e.g.
- Articulated
- Salary increase
- Umbilical connection
- Volcano in Sicily
- Robinson or Doubtfire
- Bajillion years
- One-horse carriage

DOWN

- What highwaymen do
- Moonfish
- Bangladeshi currency
- Type of purse
- *Simon & Garfunkel: "____ come she will"
- Wealth
- Safecracker
- High quality sound reproduction, for short
- *Purple flower that starts blooming in spring
- Fairytale insomnia cause
- Like repeating tunnel sound
- Off kilter
- **Spring ____, fall back"
- Spring mattress filler
- Acronym in a bottle
- Ceremonial staff bearer
- Skylit lobbies
- "Designing Women" star Jean ____
- *Become soft, as in ground
- Radices, sing.
- "Way 2 Sexy" rapper
- "Battle of the ____" movie
- Swimming competition, e.g.
- Not amateur
- *The ____: "Little darlin', it's been a long, cold, lonely winter"
- Highly skilled
- *Official start of spring
- Make bigger
- Vanish without this?
- Elevates
- Dry plateau in South Africa
- Oak nut
- Same as tsar
- *"The Dock of the Bay" singer
- Joe Biden, once
- Solemn promise
- Pinta and Santa Maria companion
- Vegas bandit's body part
- *It gets longer

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