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## Park Lauds Sharon Ruffner's Legacy



Sharon Ruffner was a dynamo volunteer behind the annual Dinner in the Park fundraiser for the Carmichael Parks Foundation. She is pictured at the 2022 event with veteran Foundation directors Ken Hall (left) and Gary Hursh.

**Story and photo by Susan Skinner**

**CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG)** - Carmichael Park district has designated an area of Carmichael Park, including a future water play facility, as Sharon Ruffner Plaza. The announcement was cheered by more than 500 supporters during a farewell to the late community activist last week.

Ruffner died in January after a year-long battle with cancer. She was 63. Ruffner's career included 36 years in technical support for the San Juan School district and a lifetime of community volunteerism.

She served the nonprofit Carmichael Parks Foundation for nine years. Ruffner was a dynamic force behind fundraisers that assisted a cash-strapped agency's outreach with scholarships for children of low-income families. Park amenities

and equipment also benefited.

The plaza will eventually include a water play feature (in place of the old swimming pool) and a skate park. The two facilities will operate adjacent to Veterans Hall on Grant Avenue.

"The naming is appropriate," said Carmichael Recreation and Park District advisory board director Joel Levine. "Sharon taught water aerobics in the old pool. More recently, she led yoga and fitness classes in Veterans Hall. Her enthusiasm inspired people to follow in her wake, whatever she was doing."

"She never stopped in her passion for enriching the lives of others. Her mission was to make the community a better, more inclusive place." To the end, Ruffner convened Zoom meetings and concluded personal mail with a mantra from behavioralist Arthur Chan: "Diversity is a fact. Equity is a choice. Inclusion is an

action. Belonging is an outcome."

Said Levine, "I keep that in mind every day. Sharon wanted everybody to have opportunities. Her effort was never about her; it was what she could do for others. We all had such joy in our interactions with her."

With standing room only at the La Sierra Center, Ruffner's memorial was a feast of music and memories. Speakers included her husband of 42 years, Bob Ruffner, who said his wife "gave me the confidence and strength to get to where I am today. With Sharon in my life," he continued, "there was never a day I didn't look forward to."

Friends, former workmates and members of organizations she befriended lauded her legacy of service.

"Sharon was a woman who exuded joy and love at every turn,"

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## Sacramento County Appoints Deputy County Executive



Sylvester Fadal

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Sylvester Fadal is the new Sacramento County deputy county executive for Administrative Services. The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved Fadal's appointment on Feb. 27 and he started the new role on March 3.

"The county conducted a nationwide executive search for the deputy county executive for Administrative Services, and I'm pleased to say we found the best and most qualified candidate within our own ranks," said County Executive David Villanueva. "Dr. Fadal has more than 26 years of public sector human resources management and executive experience that encompasses strategic planning, budget management, process optimization and construction and capital improvements."

Fadal's extensive experience includes overseeing human resources, technology, procurement, contracts and materials management for major construction projects. His previous responsibilities include ensuring contract compliance, adherence to DBE/SBE requirements, implementing PLAs, and managing bus/rail maintenance training and warehouse facilities.

Fadal was the Personnel Services director for Sacramento County in 2021 and became the General Services interim director in October 2023.

Before joining the county, Fadal held various leadership roles at the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority for more than 23 years, including chief administrative officer, human resources director, procurement and contracts, Business Services deputy director, Human Resources manager, and Organizational Development and Office of Civil Rights and Labor Relations manager.

Fadal has a Doctor of Business Administration from Argosy University, a Master of Public Administration with emphasis on organization

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## SACOG Receives \$22.5 Million for Green Means Go Program

**SACOG News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The U.S. Department of Transportation's Reconnecting Communities Grant will advance transportation design and planning projects to address barriers in disadvantaged areas.

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) has received \$22.5 million from the U.S. Department of Transportation to fund the next phase of SACOG's award-winning Green Means Go program. The planning investment will accelerate infill development in ten areas across the region in designated Green Zones, or areas that have been identified for infill development,



to reimagine neighborhoods and address transportation needs. By pairing transportation

communities where residents can meet their daily needs more holistically within their neighborhoods.

The planning projects span various rural and urban areas within the counties of Sacramento and Yuba, and the cities of Citrus Heights, Isleton, Marysville, Rancho Cordova, Sacramento, West Sacramento, Woodland, and Yuba City. These ten areas share similar issues, busy roadways that limit the ability of community members to safely walk, bike, or roll in their neighborhoods and connect to services and jobs without a car. These investments will help increase connectivity and reduce the reliance on driving, which helps the region

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Girl Scouts gain valuable life skills selling cookies, including money management, team building, public speaking and decision-making. Photo courtesy of Girl Scouts of Northern California

## Girl Scouts Heart of Central California News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Did you know that even if you've already stocked up on your favorite Girl Scout Cookies, you can still spread joy and support local Girl Scouts through Cookie Share, a Girl Scout community service project?

Girl Scouts Heart of Central California (GSHCC) is excited to invite you to participate in this meaningful initiative, which offers opportunities to donate cookies and make a significant difference in the lives of young girls in the community.

Cookie Share allows girls to offer virtual

"Cookie Share" cookies that are distributed to the nation's soldiers, local food banks and other charitable organizations. This unique approach spreads cheer through delicious treats and also shows gratitude and support for those who serve local communities and the country.

"Even if you've already indulged in your favorite Girl Scout Cookies, you can still make a difference in the lives of local girls," said Girl Scouts Heart of Central California Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Linda E. Farley. "Through Cookie Share, we offer a unique opportunity to show gratitude to those who support our communities, all while uplifting young girls. Join us in making a lasting

difference and empowering the next generation of female leaders."

Cookie Share proceeds remain within the local community and are dedicated to funding a variety of enriching activities and experiences for girls throughout the year. These include field trips, community projects and outdoor adventures. Moreover, the Girl Scout Cookie Program is one among numerous programs offered throughout the year, all designed to expand the horizons of Girl Scouts, impart vital life skills, and equip them for future leadership roles.

If you're interested in learning more about Girl Scouts Heart of Central California and how you can get involved, visit [www.girlscoutshcc.org](http://www.girlscoutshcc.org) ★

# Fish for Trout April 6, 7



A young angler casts his fishing line into the lake at Rancho Seco Recreational Area. Photo courtesy of SMUD

## SMUD News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION (MPG)** - SMUD's annual trout derby at the Rancho Seco Recreational Area on April 6 and April 7 features thousands of pounds of trout and prizes up for grabs.

The fishing event has become a tradition for many and has attracted thousands of local participants since it began in 1993.

Anglers reeling in the heaviest catches will win cash and prizes, including an adult and youth grand prize for the heaviest trout caught awarded each day. The grand prize for both age groups is a fishing kayak. The grand prizes are provided by The Fish Sniffer magazine and Angler's Press Outdoors.

Anglers can cast a line into the 160-acre lake from the shoreline or from one of six fishing piers. Small boats with electric motors are also allowed (no gas motors are allowed). In addition to trout, the freshwater lake is home to bass, bluegill, redear sunfish and crappie.

In preparation for the derby, Rancho Seco Lake was recently stocked with thousands of pounds of catchable trout.

Registration takes place on both days of the derby between 6 and 10 a.m., rain or shine. Derby tickets are \$5 per person for the two-day event with a \$12 parking fee at the park gate. A valid California state

fishing license is required for anyone at least 16 years old. Anglers hoping to win a prize must weigh their fish at the official weigh station between 2 and 4 p.m. on the day of the catch. For complete rules, visit [smud.org/RanchoSeco](http://smud.org/RanchoSeco).

The 400-acre Rancho Seco Recreational Area offers more than just fishing. The full-service facility offers picnic areas, RV and tent camping sites, a beach and swimming spots. Kayaks, rowboats, paddleboards and fishing boats are available to rent.

The Rancho Seco Recreational Area is at 14960 Twin Cities Road, Herald. The recreational area is 25 miles south of Sacramento, approximately 15 minutes east of Highway 99 on Twin Cities Road. For more information about the derby, camping and safety at the park, visit [smud.org/RanchoSeco](http://smud.org/RanchoSeco) or call 800-416-6992.

## About SMUD

As the nation's sixth-largest, community-owned, not-for-profit electric service provider, SMUD has provided low-cost, reliable electricity to Sacramento County for more than 75 years.

Today, SMUD's power supply is on average about 50 percent carbon free and SMUD has a goal to reach zero carbon in its electricity production by 2030.

For more information on SMUD's Zero Carbon Plan and its customer programs, visit [smud.org](http://smud.org). ★

Carmichael Recreation & Park District

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# SACOG Receives \$22.5 Million for Green Means Go Program

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meet greenhouse gas reduction goals. Equitable community engagement is a significant emphasis of the project to ensure the involvement of communities who have been traditionally left out of planning processes. SACOG will create a Community-Based Organization (CBO) Working Group and leverage the model created by the agency's Engage, Empower, Implement program to build capacity, trust, and partnerships with CBOs from across the region.

Another element of this grant is workforce development in which Valley Vision, a nonprofit focused on building a livable region, is leading the efforts to create a pipeline of skilled workers. This effort aligns with the region's Prosperity Strategy and considering the long-term needs as development ramps up in Green Zones once planning has been completed, ensuring that available jobs go to our local skilled workforce.

"Our region is like many in the nation struggling with aging infrastructure that no longer serves us, and local governments who want to reinvest in areas to meet the needs of communities today and into the future," said Michael Saragosa, SACOG board chair, and councilmember for the City of Placerville, "A huge thanks to the U.S. Department of Transportation for recognizing Green Means Go efforts and for investing in the Sacramento region."

## Planning Projects

Below is a list of projects that are subrecipients of the grant. These ten projects across the six-county region all serve a federally designated disadvantaged community.

**City of Sacramento**– Reconnecting Old North Sacramento (Del Paso)

**Sacramento County**– Sacramento County Re-Imagine North Watt Corridor

**Yuba County**– East Linda Gateway: Lindhurst Corridor Revitalization project

**Yuba City**– Central City Green Zone Revitalization Plan

**City of West Sacramento**– US 50 Community Connectivity Project & Sycamore Trail Project

**City of Citrus Heights**– City of Citrus Heights Sunrise Tomorrow Project

**Rancho Cordova**– Folsom Blvd: Transforming Old Lincoln Highway Plan

**Marysville**– Re-Envision Downtown Marysville Plan

**Woodland** – East Street Corridor Complete Streets

**Isleton**– SR 160 Bike/Pedestrian Bridge Design

## About Green Means Go

Green Means Go is the Sacramento region's commitment and solution to California's housing, climate, equity, and transportation problems.

The program aims to lower greenhouse gas emissions within its six-county region by accelerating infill development and reducing and electrifying vehicle trips. Green Means Go is a mechanism to target investment in locally designated Green Zones - areas that cities and counties have identified for infill development that also show a reduction in vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Since launching the program in 2018, twenty-six SACOG member jurisdictions have identified and adopted Green Zones. To date, SACOG has deployed over \$38 million in state funds to support Green Zone investments that explore the intersection of land use, housing, economic and workforce development, transportation investments, equity, and travel choices. ★

# Sharon Ruffner's Legacy

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said Carmichael Parks Foundation director Ken Hall. "She lit up every room she entered."

Hall announced that all future children's scholarships awarded by the Carmichael Parks Foundation will be called Sharon Ruffner Scholarships.

"During her years on the Carmichael

Parks Foundation, we raised \$117,000, to fund 2,200 scholarships," Hall said. "Without her leadership and enthusiasm, those contributions could never have happened. Over her short life, she touched so many hearts."

Signage for the Sharon Ruffner Plaza will be erected in Carmichael Park this summer. ★

# Sacramento County Appoints Deputy County Executive

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change from California State University, East Bay, and a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management from Patten University. He also completed the Negotiation and Conflict Management Training for Senior Executives at Harvard Law School and he possesses a Certificate in Training and Human Resources Management from U.C. Santa Cruz.

Additionally, Fadal has nearly 20 years of experience as a lecturer and area chair over the University of Phoenix MBA Business Program and has worked as an assistant professor for DeVry University's

Keller Graduate School of Business for more than three years.

Departments within Sacramento County's Administrative Services Agency include the Clerk Recorder, Office of Emergency Services, Finance, General Services, Personnel Services, Revenue Recovery, Technology, and Voter Registration and Elections. These departments facilitate the day-to-day operation of Sacramento County. The Library JPA, Sacramento Employee Retirement System and Sacramento LAFCo have a coordinative relationship with Administrative Services. ★

# US Canoe/Kayak Olympic Team Trials at Lake Natoma

## Sacramento State Aquatic Center News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento State Aquatic Center will host the 2024 US Olympic and Paralympic Team Trials on Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23, at Lake Natoma. Racing will take place from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. on both days. The purpose of the event is to select athletes to be the prospective Olympic and Paralympic team to race in Paris this summer.

The ACA (American Canoe Association) will show the highest level of flatwater sprint racing to Lake Natoma. The U.S. has secured a quota for the WC1 200m event for the Paris Olympics (secured by Nevin Harrison). The final opportunity for U.S. athletes to secure a quota for the Paris Olympics is at the 2024 ICF Canoe Sprint Pan American Olympic Qualifier in Sarasota, Florida, this April 26 - 28. The results of the ACA Olympic Team Trials will determine who races in the qualified events at the Paris Games. We anticipate that the winners of each event at the Trials will then move on to Sarasota to hopefully qualify additional team members.

The U.S. has also qualified two athletes to the Paralympic Games. The trials will also decide additional athletes who will be attempting to qualify

for Paris. This will be decided at the Para World Championships in Szeged, Hungary, in May.

Athletes to Watch:

Nevin Harrison brought Canoe Sprint, a sport that is still growing in popularity in the United States, national recognition after the 2020 Tokyo Olympics when she became the Olympic Champion in the Women's C1 200m event. In 2022, Nevin took first place at the 2022 ICF Canoe Sprint World Championship, in the WC1 200m event. This year, Nevin qualified an Olympic Quota for the WC1 200m event at the 2023 ICF Canoe Sprint World Championships.

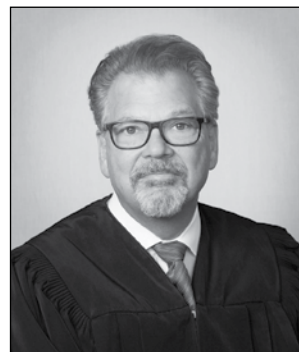
Jonas Ecker & Aaron Small are hoping to compete in their first Olympic Games in Paris next year in the Men's K2 500m event. In 2022, Ecker and Small took first place at the Pan American Championships. We eagerly anticipate that the duo will pull through at the 2024 ICF Canoe Sprint Pan American Olympic Qualifier in April to secure an Olympic quota for the MK2 500m event.

This event is hosted by the Sacramento State Aquatic Center, Associated Students Inc., the University Union, along with support from the California State Parks Gold Field District.

There is a \$10 parking fee at Nimbus Flat State Park (cash only).

Race Schedule: <https://www.crewtimer.com/regatta/r13350> ★

# Judge Michael G. Bowman Selected as the SCBA's Prestigious 2024 Judge of the Year



Judge Michael G. Bowman. Photo courtesy of SCBA

## Sacramento County Bar Association News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Former Sacramento Superior Court Presiding Judge Michael G. Bowman will be acknowledged by hundreds of attorneys and judicial officers as he is presented with SCBA's prestigious Judge of the Year award

at the Sacramento County Bar Association's Bench Bar Reception on April 25. The annual award is given to a judge who has enhanced our system of justice and served the Sacramento County legal community.

Appointed to the bench in 2013, Judge Bowman started his legal career as a Deputy District Attorney in Bakersfield from 1988-1991, then spent the next 22 years as a private criminal defense attorney. At the Sacramento Superior Court, Judge Bowman was elected Assistant Presiding Judge in 2020 and assisted then-Presiding Judge Russell Hom in guiding the court through the COVID crisis. Assuming the office Presiding Judge himself in 2022, Judge Bowman

guided the court through many improvements that gained statewide – and even national – attention.

The SCBA and greater Sacramento legal community are lucky to have Judge Michael G. Bowman on the bench. We are excited and honored for the chance to celebrate Judge Bowman's achievements and impact on our profession. This year's award is well deserved.

– SCBA President Connor Olson

The 2024 Bench Bar Reception will take place on Thursday, April 25, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 1209 L Street, Sacramento CA, 95814. To register or sponsor, click here, or for more information contact [bsouza@sacbar.org](mailto:bsouza@sacbar.org). ★

Thank you to our amazing Carmichael Park and Recreation District's staff for your help to make the Celebration of Life for Sharon Ruffner a great success.

You are an over-the-top team!

Bob Ruffner and Robin Snider  
Ken and Lynn Hall



# Jemuel Johnson Shares Society's Wonders with Readers



Jemuel Johnson. Courtesy photo

By Tamara Warta

Sacramento author Jemuel Johnson's new book, "21 Wonders (That You Don't Know)," tells the tale of influential figures that time has forgotten, including Nikola Tesla, Benjamin Banneker and John Brown.

Johnson also wrote the romance novel, "And The Tears Revived" in 2013,

and a collection of suspense tales, "Needles" in 2021.

Now, he has added historical accounts, recognizing heroes of the past to his repertoire.

"21 Wonders (That You Don't Know)" revolves around 21 unsung revolutionaries of yesteryear.

"I'm essentially giving them their flowers. Isn't that a wonderful thing?" Johnson said.

He is proud to provide recognition to those who did not necessarily receive it in their lifetime or ever for that matter.

"Unfortunately, many figures of massive influence are relegated to the shadows of history or are eventually acknowledged 200 years later," Johnson said. "Better late than never, I suppose."

A busy entertainment entrepreneur, the



Jemuel Johnson's latest book cover is shown here.

within a week during someone's lunch breaks," Johnson said. "This book is for people who have a lust for life, who engage with nonfiction, love harrowing, inspirational and aspirational storytelling, and are honest with themselves that they don't read 500-page books anyway."

Readers will find stories that tell the true struggles and dreams of each of the 21 individuals featured.

"I'm obsessed with people who have been through the fire for a desired result," Johnson said. "I want people so badly to own and develop their gifts. These gifts are their upper hand in life. This is not taught in our schools in a dynamic way."

Outside of his creative

endeavors, Johnson works in ride-sharing for both Uber and Lyft from 3 to 8 every morning for the past five years. The job includes airport drop offs, chatting with truck drivers and assisting those going to and from dialysis appointments.

The wide range of individuals that he interacts with daily serve as inspiration. Through these conversations, which include challenging circumstances such as dialysis treatments, Johnson receives inspiration by hearing and observing how everyone's life counts and the desire that others have to share their perspectives.

"It's an excellent way to meet new faces constantly in a private setting and receive massive amounts of information from people from all over the world," Johnson said.

If you're a history buff, love inspirational stories or just want to support a local author, consider adding "21 Wonders (That You Don't Know)" to your reading list.

Johnson focuses on speciality sales and corporate bulk orders, and has a collaboration with Forever 21.

And if you run into Johnson himself around town, you'll be able to land a signed copy of his latest venture.

"Catch me in traffic! I keep copies and a Sharpie on me at all times," said Johnson with great enthusiasm.

"21 Wonders (That You Don't Know)" can also be bought at thebookpatch.com, a marketplace for self-published books. ★

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## Dave Ramsey Says

grades will go down if he holds a job while in school. Research actually shows that, on average, kids who work while in college carry higher grade point averages than those who don't.

The reasons for this differ, depending on who you ask, but I think a lot of it has to do with them having to learn to manage their time—and their lives—more effectively. Lots of kids could pay their way through school, and not have to worry about student loans, if they just used some of the time they spend watching television and on social activities at a job.

We never required our kids to work during the school year, but they were self-starters. And when they came home for the summer, there was no such thing as just lying around the house all day. They had jobs, and they made money. Of course, some of it went toward having a little fun during their time

off. But we made sure they set some aside for the next school year, too.

Long story short, the philosophy of not wanting kids at college to work so they can spend all their time studying is well-meaning, but misguided. For the most part, kids who work while they're in school will make better grades and develop into more mature and well-rounded individuals.

I hope this helps, Brenda!

– Dave

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

### Well-Meaning, But Misguided

Dear Dave,

Our son will be graduating from high school in May, and then heading off to college in August. He will also be working during the summer to save up money for school. When classes begin, do you think he should continue working a part-time job, or would it be better for him to focus solely on his studies?

– Brenda

Dear Brenda,

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# Social Security Matters

## How Do Survivor Benefits Work for a Married Couple?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** How does Social Security handle the death of one spouse? Say, for example, the husband receives \$2,000 per month in Social Security and his wife receives \$1,000 per month. How is the death of either spouse handled? **Signed: Concerned spouse**

**Dear Concerned:** Benefits to a deceased beneficiary stop as soon as Social Security (SS) is notified of the death (notification usually done by the funeral director who handles arrangements). Benefits are not paid for the month of death, only for the preceding month when the beneficiary was alive for the entire month.

A surviving spouse is entitled to the higher of two benefits – their own personally earned SS retirement benefit, or an amount based on the deceased spouse’s benefit at death. In the example you cite, and assuming the surviving spouse has reached full retirement age (FRA): if the husband dies first the wife will receive the husband’s \$2,000 monthly benefit instead of her previous \$1,000 amount. But if the wife died first, the

husband would continue receiving only his \$2,000 monthly amount because that is more than his deceased wife was receiving. Note in either case, the surviving spouse would be entitled to a one-time lump sum “death benefit” of \$255.

The surviving spouse would need to contact Social Security to claim the “death benefit” and - unless the surviving spouse was previously receiving only a spousal benefit – also to claim the higher monthly amount, if eligible. If the surviving spouse was previously receiving only a spousal benefit from the deceased (and not entitled to SS retirement benefits on their own), then Social Security would automatically award their higher survivor amount when notified of the death.

If a surviving spouse has reached full retirement age (somewhere between 66 and 67 depending on year of birth) and is eligible for a survivor benefit, the amount of the survivor benefit will be 100% of the deceased spouse’s benefit. But if the survivor claims the benefit before reaching FRA, the amount of the survivor benefit will be reduced (by 4.75% for each full year earlier). The survivor’s benefit reaches maximum at the survivor’s full retirement age.

If a surviving spouse has not yet reached their FRA, and if they are entitled to (not necessarily collecting) their own Social Security retirement benefit, the surviving spouse has the

option to delay claiming the survivor benefit until it reaches maximum at their full retirement age. And if the survivor’s personal SS retirement benefit will ever be more than their maximum survivor benefit, the surviving spouse also has the option to claim only the smaller survivor benefit first and allow their personal SS retirement benefit to grow (to maximum at age 70 if desired).

With Social Security there is hardly ever a simple answer to a question but, in the example you use, if both are over their SS full retirement age:

- If the husband dies first, the wife will get 100% of the amount (\$2000) the husband was receiving, instead of the small amount (\$1000) she was previously receiving.

- If the wife dies first, the husband’s monthly benefit will remain at \$2000, and he will get no increase in his monthly amount.

- In either case, the surviving spouse will be entitled to a one-time lump sum death benefit of \$255.

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# Many Californians Rely on this Farmers Market Program. Newsom Wants to Cut It

By Sarah Portnoy, CALMatters.org

When we think of a farmers market in California, we usually picture vibrant displays of beautiful, albeit expensive, fruits and vegetables, and perhaps a tempting array of pricier prepared foods. However, the roots of farmers markets in California trace back to the late 1970s, when they first emerged in low-income areas.

They were designed to facilitate a direct connection between farmers and consumers, an arrangement that proved to be a win-win for both small-scale farmers and those seeking affordable, fresh produce.

Today, farmers markets may be more prevalent in affluent neighborhoods, but a key program has been working diligently to uphold their original spirit, making fresh fruits and vegetables accessible to all Californians. The Market Match program has successfully placed fresh produce into the shopping bags and kitchens of low-income Californians at more than 293 farmers markets across the state. Since 2010, this program has empowered shoppers who receive CalFresh benefits, allowing them to double their funds for exclusively California-grown fruits and vegetables.

Frank Tamborello, the executive director of Hunger Action Los Angeles, aptly describes the Market Match program as a “win-win-win.” It helps fight hunger while promoting healthy eating habits and supports California farmers, boosting the small-farm economy and contributing to environmentally sustainable agriculture.

Despite its evident benefits, the program faces a looming

threat from budget cuts as state leaders work to close a multibillion-dollar deficit. Gov. Gavin Newsom proposed a \$33.2 million cut from the three-year, \$35 million California Nutrition Incentive Program, a move that would effectively end Market Match once the remaining funds dry up. Since 2015, the state has supported the program by matching federal funds through a grant from CNIP, enabling substantial expansion over the past nine years.

Market Match has routinely reported increases in low-income shoppers using their benefits at farmers markets. Last year, 9% of the roughly 574,000 visits were first-timers, underscoring the program’s positive impact on both consumers and local farmers.

The potential loss of this program threatens low-income Californians’ nutrition, especially those who live in food deserts where corner stores and vacant lots are more prevalent than full-service grocery stores. In such neighborhoods, an orange can cost more than a soda, highlighting the disparities in accessing affordable, nutritious food.

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The proposed cuts would also significantly impact rural farmers who rely on the revenue generated from weekly market sales. It’s a steady source of income in an era defined by its unpredictability.

In the wake of the pandemic, the number of food-insecure households in California surged as costs for fresh produce increased. A USC study last year revealed that 1 in 3 households in Los Angeles County experience food insecurity, indicating a dire need for programs like Market Match. Cutting this essential program would exacerbate the challenges faced by low-income shoppers in bringing home nutritious food for their families, compounding the intense pressure to simply put food on the table.

Access to healthy, affordable and culturally appropriate food is a fundamental human right. As Californians confront the potential loss of the match program, we must recognize its profound impact. In a state known for its agricultural abundance, we cannot allow budgetary decisions to compromise the well-being of others in our community. ★

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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



## Rebirth

Easter! What does it mean to you? I know. It's Easter hunts and chocolate bunnies, family get-togethers and flowers. I can go on and on and I get it. We love all those symbols, but I hope we don't forget what Easter really means down deep. It's a rebirth of faith and hope and sharing too.

Did you ever wonder how the bunny got to be the BIG symbol for Easter? It's cute, but it's also universal and secular in its appeal. But would you believe I was told that the hare, not the rabbit, should be treated as the true symbol of Easter. Historically, the hare is the symbol for the moon. And legend has it, the hare never closes its eyes, not even for a single blink. The reason for having such a belief may be rooted in the fact that hares, not rabbits, are born with their eyes open. Rabbits are born blind. There is also a fertility thing in there some place. Maybe that's why the rabbit is more familiar in America. Rabbits beat hares, hands down, in being way more prolific.

Then comes the Easter eggs. Confusing since bunnies don't lay eggs. Despite claims that Easter eggs were originally pagan symbols, there is no solid evidence of this. It was not until the 28th century that Jakob Grimm theorized a connection with the goddess of his own whom he names Ostara, a suggested version of Eostere. At the Passover Seder, a hard-boiled egg dipped in salt water symbolizes both new life and the Passover

sacrifice offered at the temple in Jerusalem. The ancient Persians painted eggs for Nowrooz, their New Year celebration falling on the Spring Equinox. In Christian times, the egg was a symbol of new life just as a chick might hatch from the egg. Also, the egg may have celebrated the end of the privations of Lent. In Medieval Europe, eggs were forbidden during Lent. It was during Easter that the consumption of eggs resumes after the strict Lenten fast.

Traditions change, but not the true meaning of Easter...rebirth. It can give us new hope, especially after all we have endured with the pandemic, war, hate and negativity in the world. So how can we take all the symbols we have come to love and make a difference in our life? Perhaps we can take it one baby step at a time. Easy doesn't make a difference. Take a chance. Example, there's so much negativity on the internet. Why not check out facts before you jump to conclusions. Remember, not everything you read and see may be true. Besides, with AI, it might not even be the real thing. How about this? Rebirth means little changes like sharing a smile or a positive thought each day with someone who has been difficult. You might be surprised the difference it can make. I will leave you with this quote from Kate McGahan. "True, it's not over till it's over, and even when it's over, it just begins again." ★

**TRUE REBIRTH!**

Overall, it was an auspicious week for our Sacramento Kings, in spite of a frustrating loss to the New York Knicks.

The difference was defense, and it was a noticeable change in the way the team collectively played defense. Davion Mitchell brought his usual tenacity to the hardwood, but Keon Ellis joined him in bringing a ferocity that was contagious, and resulted in a three-game stretch that was undoubtedly the best defense by the team this year.

Back-to-back wins over the Milwaukee Bucks and Los Angeles Lakers had pundits gaping, and wondering who are these guys?

I have to repeat what has been expressed over and over again, and that is this team can beat any team in the NBA on any given night.

The playoffs are still a new phenomena for this team, and whether they can bring that same intensity to the court over a seven-game stretch remains to be seen, but for the naysayers out there I say, do not count this team out!

Our 2022 acquisition Domantas Sabonis not only is leading the league in double-doubles and triple-doubles, he is currently 5th overall in assists.

If you're a fan that watches from home and you haven't been to Golden 1 to see Domantas in action, you're missing a real treat. Grab a ticket while you can and get out to see this gladiator of the hardwood work his magic.

Currently the Kings are in a tenuous 6th place position in the Western Conference, with the Memphis Grizzlies coming in Monday night, followed by a road trip with stops in Toronto, Washington, and Orlando. As always, this road trip will loom large, but if the Kings can somehow manage a winning record in the three-game trip, 6th or even 5th place is not out of the question.

I have been critical, and rightfully so, of coach Brown's inability to win challenges this season, but whether skill or luck, recently the Kings have

been coming out on top. Keep up the good work Coach Brown. And, what is going on with the free-throw shooting? All of a sudden, the Kings are outperforming opponents, and actually looking like professionals from the charity stripe. With less than 20 games remaining in the regular season, finding a rhythm going into the playoffs couldn't come at a better time, and will be critical if the Kings want to advance to the second round.

So, the question many are asking: Can the Kings match or surpass last year's 48-win total? Surprisingly, I have talked to a lot of fans that don't believe they can do it, but I am firmly in the other camp. I think this team has a higher level to their game, just as they've shown in the recent improvement on defense.

Although I have not been a big Keon Ellis fan, I am all about giving out credit where credit is due, and this young man has been bringing a real NBA game to the court. His defense at times is smothering, and it was never so evident than last week, when he threw a blanket over perennial all-star Damian Lillard in last week's blowout win against the Bucks.

If 2nd-year forward Keegan Murray and veteran Harrison Barnes can harness some of the scoring they're capable of, the next 16 games could be a rocket launch into the playoffs.

Both Keegan and Harrison have shown signs of the players we know them to be, so keep your fingers crossed.

Coach Brown remains committed to Kevin Huerter for reasons that remain a mystery to me. He has obvious other options, and I remain puzzled as to why he's not employing the principle of playing the best player, or even who is hot at the moment.

Fans are all over the board as it relates to Huerter, and I would love to see him find some of the magic he displayed last season. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01294  
Hot Off The Griddle LLC, 1583 W El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Burger Bros" 1583 W El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 21, 2024  
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BURGER 3-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00819  
Julio Cesar Gonzalez-Fernandez, 6000 Landing Point Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "JG Flooring" 6000 Landing Point Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 31, 2024  
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JG 3-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01236  
Thomas Emerson, 4022 Sunrise Boulevard Suite 120 #298, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A Perfect View Landscape" 4022 Sunrise Boulevard Suite 120 #298, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 16, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01060  
Paw-sabilities Unlimited, LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Dawg House" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 8, 2024  
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DAWG 3-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01244  
David Ivan Najera Guerrero, 7300 Rutherford Way, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kaiju Automotive Repair" 7300 Rutherford Way, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 16, 2024  
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KAIJU 3-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01133  
Cindy J Finch, 7405 Greenback Lane #173, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cali Loves Wine Tours & Events" 5557 White Fir Way, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 13, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01080  
Rudolph O. Del Real, 339 Rivertree Way, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "R & R Construction" 339 Rivertree Way, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 8, 2024  
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R&R 3-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01470  
Elpis Solutions LLC, 4041 Audris Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Elpis Bookkeeping/Elpis Notary" 4041 Audris Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2024  
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ELPIS 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01408  
Randall Gutfeld, 4840 San Juan Avenue PBM 132, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "River Parkway Flamenco" 8123 Sunrise Boulevard #258, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2024  
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RIVER 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01150  
Alpentanzer Schuhplattler, 3349 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Alpentanzer Schuhplattler/Alpentanzer Schuhplattler/STV Alpentanzer Schuhplattler/STV Alpentanzer Schuhplattler/Sacramento Turnverein Alpen Alpentanzer Schuhplattler/Sacramento Turn Verein Alpentanzer Schuhplattler" 3349 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 13, 2024  
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ALPENTANZER 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01363  
Monique Lee Davis, 2475 Stokewood Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Artemis Construction Management" 2475 Stokewood Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2024  
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ARTEMIS 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01442  
Erwin Quial, 8300 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AlveoMed Nursing" 8300 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2024  
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ALVEOMED 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01234  
Debrah Dickenson, 81 Natoma Street Suite 100, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Folsom Smog Test Only" 81 Natoma Street Suite 100, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 16, 2024  
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FOLSOM 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01051  
Paul Flick, 486 S. Lexington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Innovations for Criminal Justice" 486 S. Lexington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 8, 2024  
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INNOVATIONS 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01375  
Kathryn LeGro, 6067 Shirley Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bucket List Bridge" 6067 Shirley Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2024  
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BUCKET 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01364  
Maryna Sys, 5425 Garfield Avenue #125, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MM Therapy" 5425 Garfield Avenue #125, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2024  
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MM 3-29-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01327  
Michael Pugliese, 3849 Navaho Drive, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Laseris Incidit" 3849 Navaho Drive, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 22, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01267  
California RVM Solutions, 3672 Stephen Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Simply Recycle" 4802 San Juan Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2024  
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SIMPLY 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01603  
SQY Inc, 8732 Fruitridge Road #2, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SQY Autos Inc" 8732 Fruitridge Road #2, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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SQY 4-5-24

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  
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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 11, 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  
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RUSH 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  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01757  
Sloughhouse Corn LLC, 10276 Altameza Road, Wilton, CA 95693 is 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  
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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  
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SEEDSTAR 4-5-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01464  
Dominique Fairbank, 9029 Sutters Gold Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gold Country Books/Gold Country Books and More" 9029 Sutters Gold Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01768  
Arrow Drillers, 1850 Diesel Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Arrow Construction" 1850 Diesel Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 7, 2024  
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Gerry Johnson, 2121 Natomas Crossing #200, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tri-Star Real Estate Group/Tri-Star Diversified" 4030 Truxel Road Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2024  
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Janai Lynne Vernott, 3225 Garfield Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Creative Klutz Studio" 3225 Garfield Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 1, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01677  
Larisa Dzyuba, 7045 Patience Court, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Secure Notary Solutions" 7045 Patience Court, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01409  
Mario A Rupert and Gregory Rupert, 6454 Oakridge Way, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hex & Culf" 6454 Oakridge Way, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01881  
Wali Hassany, 1808 Richmond Street, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aahoo Document Solutions" 2740 Fulton Avenue 101-16, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 11, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01800  
Andrea Z Evans, PO Box 4145, Ketchum, ID 83340 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Philanthropy Consulting Group" 205 Raven Road A1-5, Ketchum, ID

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PHILANTHROPY 4-12-24

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National Vision, Inc., 2435 Commerce Avenue, Duluth, GA 30096 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses" 2395 Iron Point Road Suite 110, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 29, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01704  
Karen Ortiz, 2335 33rd Street, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Own It Real Estate" 1610 R Street Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01924  
Lavender Nail Salon LLC, 1010A Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lavender Nail Salon" 1010A Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01805  
Daniel W Todd, 2025 W El Camino Ace Apt 238, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Phantomice Interactive" 2025 W El Camino Ace Apt 238, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 7, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01911  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01912  
Niello Performance Motors II Inc, 1481 River Park Drive, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Porsche Sacramento" 2200 Auburn Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01928  
Gateway Foods LLC, 6 Kitaj Court, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Taqueria La Puerta" 4391 Gateway Park Boulevard Suite 650, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2024  
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the Fictitious Business Name(s) "America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses" 6019 Florin Road Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 1, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01848  
Victoria Lose, 3432 Gates Way, Sacramento, CA 95832 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Journey to Freedom" 3432 Gates Way, Sacramento, CA 95832. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 8, 2024  
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JOURNEY 4-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01667  
Grace Sur, 9545 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Beauty Solutions By Grace" 9545 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01986  
Michelle Green-Clark, 4615 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "KM Dance Arts" 4615 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 13, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01925  
Surinder Singh Bedwal, 7733 Charmain Court, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Twin River ATMS" 7733 Charmain Court, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01623  
Accredited RealEstate Schools Inc, 7840 Madison Avenue #149, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Accredited Real Estate Schools Inc" 7840 Madison Avenue #149, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01932  
Amanda Dugan, 6550 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ritual Cookies" 6550 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01213  
Best Choice Logistics Inc, 1922 Naomi Way, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Best Choice Logistics/BC Cab" 1922 Naomi Way, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 15, 2024  
Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01268  
JDV Distribution LLC, 3710 Branch Street, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jenner Vacation Rentals" 3710 Branch Street, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2024  
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JENNER 4-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01713  
Ryan Stambuk, 3115 Eades Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Off Duty Photography" 3115 Eades Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01622  
TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc., 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc." 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01622  
TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc., 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc." 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01622  
TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc., 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc." 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01622  
TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc., 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc." 3800 Happy Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2024  
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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



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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME**

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

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#24CV004736

Mary Kaye Bartholomew aka Mary Kaye Bassett has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mary Kaye Bartholomew aka Mary Kaye Bassett to Mary Kaye Prentice.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 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: March 12, 2024  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024  
BASSETT 4-12-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#24CV004689

Isaiah Michael Fennema-Montoya has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Isaiah Michael Fennema-Montoya to Isaiah Michael Montoya.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 3, 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: March 12, 2024  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024  
MONTAYA 4-12-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE**

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. 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.

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: Huck Ingram, 110 Bank Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945; 530-432-1996  
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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: Michael Yee, Yee Law Group, 4010 S Land Park Drive Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95822; 916-927-9001  
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STAFFORD 3-22-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
JOSE HERNANDEZ  
CASE NO. 24PR000505

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michelle Hernandez, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michelle Hernandez 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 4, 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.

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: Huck Ingram, 110 Bank Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945; 530-432-1996  
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HERNANDEZ 3-22-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
STEVEN EDWARD SCHREINDL  
CASE NO. 34-2021-00312055

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michael Leon Schreindl, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michael Schreindl 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 April 10, 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.

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 16, 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.

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The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Michael Leon Schreindl, 19964 Riverside Avenue #152, Anderson, CA 96007; 530-209-4527  
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SCHREINDL 3-22-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
ARSENIO FELIPE  
CASE NO. 24PR000595

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michael Felipe, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michael Felipe 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 April 10, 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.

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: Benjamin V. Platon, Attorney & Counselor at Law, Certified Specialist Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law, 9701 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Fair Oaks, CA 95628; 916-674-2066  
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
PATRICIA ANN WHITMAN AKA  
PATRICIA WHITMAN AKA PAT  
WHITMAN  
CASE NO. 24PR000678

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Patricia Ann Whitman aka Patricia Whitman aka Pat Whitman

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

Petitioner is: Robert J. Busch Jr., 2228 Longport Court, Suite 110, Elk Grove, CA 95758; 916-859-0370  
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FELIPE 3-29-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
MARY KATHRYN 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 Kathryn Baker.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows April 3, 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.

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: Benjamin V. Platon, Attorney & Counselor at Law, Certified Specialist Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law, 9701 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Fair Oaks, CA 95628; 916-674-2066  
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
PATRICIA ANN WHITMAN AKA  
PATRICIA WHITMAN AKA PAT  
WHITMAN  
CASE NO. 24PR000678

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Patricia Ann Whitman aka Patricia Whitman aka Pat Whitman

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Leslie D. Whitman III, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Leslie D. Whitman 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 19, 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.

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: Andrew Kern, 755 Baywood Drive, Petaluma, CA 94954, 707-658-4602  
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R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826

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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.

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: Raoul J. LeClerc, P.O. Drawer 111, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-533-5661  
Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 2024  
WHITMAN 4-5-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
RONALD THOMPSON  
CASE NO. 24PR000763

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Tonja Kraynik in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Tonja Kraynik 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 April 25, 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.

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: Andrew Kern, 755 Baywood Drive, Petaluma, CA 94954, 707-658-4602  
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THOMPSON 4-5-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
PATRICIA ANN WHITMAN AKA  
PATRICIA WHITMAN AKA PAT  
WHITMAN  
CASE NO. 24PR000678

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Patricia Ann Whitman aka Patricia Whitman aka Pat Whitman

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Leslie D. Whitman III, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Leslie D. Whitman 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 19, 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.

The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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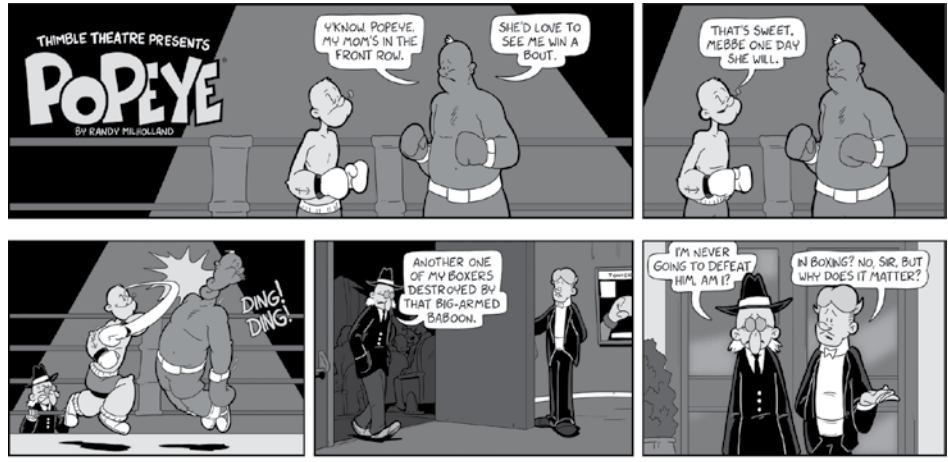
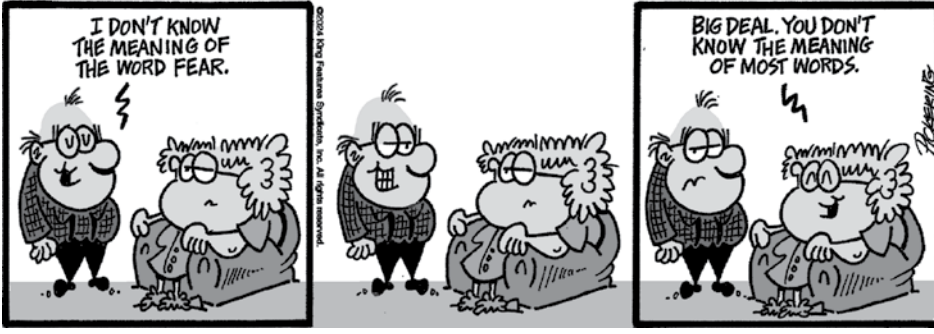
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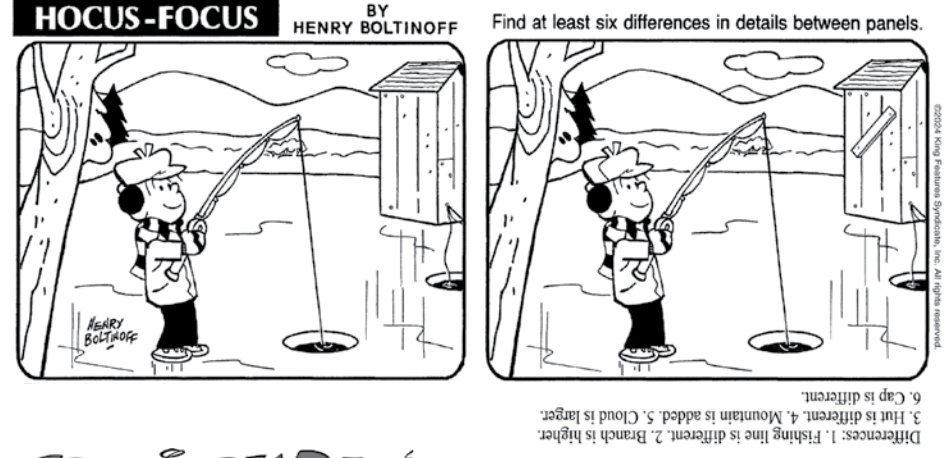
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- Lodge
- Squirrel away
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- Automated teller
- Clarified butter
- Bad-mouth, slangily
- Stag
- Tartans
- "I'm \_\_\_\_\_ you!"
- Commies
- Monocot's alternative
- Road's edge
- Living room centerpiece?
- Prefix meaning "left"
- Deadly snake
- Sasquatch's cousin
- Court petitioner
- Blood infection
- Indian flatbread
- Opposite of post-
- Sound of impact
- \*Duran Duran: "Her name is \_\_\_\_\_, and she dances on the sand"
- \*The Beatles: "Take a sad song and make it \_\_\_\_\_"
- \*Elvis: "We're caught in a trap, I can't \_\_\_\_\_"
- Relating to a mode
- Scrooge's exclamation
- Memory failure
- Bouquet thrower
- Number of candles on a cake
- Musketeers' weapons
- Picnic invaders
- "Just kidding!"
- Did, archaic

**DOWN**

- \*The Go-Go's: "They got the \_\_\_\_\_"
- 100,000, in India
- Cameron Diaz' Fiona, e.g.
- Hula dancer's hello
- These are held to be true
- Miners' passage
- \*Tainted Love: "Once I ran to you, now I \_\_\_\_\_"
- "Lord of the Flies" shell
- Like the other side of the pillow?
- Certain kind of exam
- Not his
- Antiquated
- Protection from a sword
- To death, in French (2 words)
- \_\_\_\_\_ B vaccine
- Manna from heaven
- \*Bon Jovi: "Tommy used to work on the \_\_\_\_\_"
- Habituate
- Spaghetti \_\_\_\_\_
- \*Don McLean: "Drove my chevy to the \_\_\_\_\_"
- Pains
- Frost over (2 words)
- Capital of Delaware
- \*Tennessee Ernie Ford: "I owe my soul to the company \_\_\_\_\_"
- Geishas' sashes
- "\_\_\_\_\_ good example"
- Royal topper
- \_\_\_\_\_tattle
- Pronoun
- Refused to act, archaic
- City-related
- Giraffe's striped-legged cousin
- \*Bruce Springsteen: "Tramps like us, baby we were \_\_\_\_\_ to run"
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# What Are They to Do?

*Sacramento gave a homeless camp a lease as an experiment*

By Marisa Kendall  
CALMatters.org

When Sacramento changed its plan to demolish a homeless encampment on a vacant lot on Colfax Street, instead offering the homeless occupants a lease, activists and camp residents celebrated it as a win.

The first-of-its-kind deal, which allows the camp to remain in place and govern itself without city interference, was held up as a model Sacramento could replicate at future sites. Other cities, including San Jose, have said they're considering similar models, putting the success or failure of this encampment under the microscope.

A year later, Sacramento has not managed to reproduce the concept and has no plans to. Residents of the camp, who lack electricity or running water, complain they feel forgotten. And the county district attorney, claiming the site threatens public safety, has demanded the city clear the camp or risk prosecution.

Those troubles highlight the logistical and ethical dilemmas that come with setting aside outdoor spaces for homeless residents to go when there aren't enough beds indoors. And it comes at a time when officials across the state increasingly are turning to this last-ditch solution as they face mounting pressure to clear encampments away from sidewalks, parks, schools and other high-traffic public areas.

"The fact that people have a place where they can legally exist and not be threatened with arrest, not be run off and have to lose their belongings, where they can go to the bathroom with dignity, where there's trash pickup so they don't have to live in a place where there's trash all over, where service providers can find them regularly and they aren't going to lose contact with people as they work their way to housing — those are all good things," said Eric Tars, senior policy director of the National Homelessness Law Center. "But it would be even better if they were doing them indoors."

## They Got A Lease, And They Make Their Own Rules

Camp Resolution, as the Sacramento camp is known, was started in 2022 by Sharon and Joyce Jones — a married couple in their 50s who found themselves homeless for the first time late in life. More than four-dozen people now live there, some in new-looking Bullet trailers provided by the city, and others in cars, tents and more dilapidated trailers and RVs.

Some residents have taken pains to make it more homey: Two potted plants hang from the hitch of one trailer, chickens roam the lot, and Sharon and Joyce are putting in a garden, using pallets to make raised planter beds.

"We try to make it as comfortable as possible," Joyce said, "but sometimes it's impossible."

Shortly after Joyce and her community occupied the city-owned, formerly vacant lot in 2022, city workers determined the camp was unsafe and needed to be demolished — as often happens in Sacramento and throughout California. But that's where the story takes an unusual turn. Residents of the camp, and their supporters, showed up in force to a city council meeting and persuaded council members to delay the sweep. About six months later, the city signed a lease allowing the camp to remain in place.

The lease, which advocacy group Safe Ground Sacramento signed on behalf of the Camp Resolution residents, was an experiment. Generally, similar programs are run by nonprofits contracted by a city. They often impose curfews, no-guest policies, sobriety requirements and other rules on residents. In exchange, they offer social services such as counseling or help finding permanent housing, and amenities such as showers and bathrooms.

"They don't think people experiencing homelessness are capable of governing themselves," Tars said. "Camp Resolution is different.



Joyce and Sharon Jones poke holes in a water bottle to water their garden next to their trailer at Camp Resolution on Feb. 28, 2024. The camp has no running water, so residents must rely on bottled water for all their needs. Photo by Fred Greaves for CalMatters



Jeanne Gillis cooks ground turkey over a wood fire beside her trailer at Camp Resolution on Feb. 28, 2024. Residents must rely on bottled water, generators, and wood fires because no utilities are provided at the camp. Photo by Fred Greaves for CalMatters

Safe Ground Sacramento, which leases the property from the city for free, takes a hands-off approach that lets residents run the camp and write their own rules. The city gave the residents a handful of residential trailers, set up portable toilets and a hand-washing station, and provided dumpsters and ongoing trash pickup. But that's it.

Many activist groups laud that model as a best practice, saying it's important to let the residents run, or at least help run, their own camp.

"When individuals in these encampments have a sense of ownership, then it can really lead to the camp being a place that they take pride in and that they are trying to keep in as good condition as possible," Tars said. "It gives a sense of responsibility to others in that community."

It also means minimal overhead for the city: The trailers provided to Camp Resolution residents came from the Federal Emergency Management Agency at no cost to the city of Sacramento, and adding the camp to the city's existing contract for trash pickup didn't add any additional expense.

But in the case of Camp Resolution, it also means residents are left to fend for themselves. The city doesn't provide electricity or running water. Community members donate food, some residents have generators, and a nonprofit used to bring a trailer with showers every other Sunday — but they recently stopped.

"It's not going very well," Joyce said. "I think that (the city) should do a little bit more."

The Camp Resolution lease says the city would provide up to 33 trailers. Residents ended up receiving just 16. But 51 people live at the camp, meaning some people sleep in tents, in their cars or in dilapidated trailers and RVs that leak in the rain and have sprouted mold.

The city wouldn't comment on the trailers — or anything else — citing a pending threat of prosecution from the county District Attorney's Office. City officials recently sent 40 trailers to a new safe sleeping site they opened on Roseville Road, which also has

plumbed toilets and showers. Several of the Camp Resolution residents are elderly, and some have serious medical issues that make living without reliable power and water difficult. One woman, who recently turned 60, is on dialysis and gets around on an electric mobility scooter that she leaves parked outside her trailer.

Most of the residents are women, some of whom wouldn't feel safe on the streets by themselves. Jeanne Gillis, 53, was cooking ground turkey over an open flame outside her trailer on a recent Wednesday. Gillis, who used to work as a medical patients' advocate, lost her housing two years ago when she got sick with lupus and could no longer work. She'd never been homeless before and didn't know what to do — so Sharon and Joyce took her under their wing. Now she's part of their tight-knit community.

"Thank God for everybody. Because it's hard," she said, tearing up. "I don't think I'd be here if it wasn't for everybody."

**Camp Resolution Faces Legal Threat**

Camp Resolution also faces an outside threat — Sacramento County District Attorney Thien Ho has demanded that the city close the camp. His office sent a letter to the city and Safe Ground Sacramento in November labeling the site a public health hazard. The site is contaminated by toxic chemicals left over from when it was used as a vehicle maintenance yard

and held underground storage tanks for diesel and gasoline, he said. It's not safe to camp on the contaminated soil, according to his letter. But only half of the site is paved, while the other half is bare dirt — and people live on both sides.

Ho's office did not set a specific deadline for the city to clear the encampment, leaving it unclear exactly what, if anything, will come of his threat.

When asked about Ho's next steps, Sonia Martinez Satchell, a spokesperson for the District Attorney's Office, indicated prosecution is still on the table.

"To date, the City has failed to move the unhoused off this toxic

has agreed to take up the case and will hear arguments next month. But for now, cities' hands remain largely tied if they lack enough shelter beds.

Safe sleeping sites take many different forms — and have a range of price tags. In August, after the city stalled in its attempts to open safe sleeping sites, Sacramento City Manager Howard Chan single-handedly tried to identify locations for the projects. He initially said Camp Resolution could be a model for future sites — because it cost the city so little to run, it would allow the city to open more sites than if they used more expensive models.

Instead, the city in January launched its next safe sleeping site, on Roseville Road, with more services, more oversight and a greater cost — \$3.2 million per year. The site has 60 rudimentary tiny homes and 40 trailers and is governed by a nonprofit contracted through the city.

But, due to an anticipated budget shortfall for the coming fiscal year, the city has no plans to launch additional safe sleeping sites, Swanson said. At a committee meeting last month, city staff predicted that by next year, the city's budget for homeless services would be short \$11 million. By the 2025-26 fiscal year, they expected to be short nearly \$39 million.

**Life At Camp Resolution**

There are about 800 people on the waitlist to get into Camp Resolution, according to Sharon and Joyce. Only six people from the camp have moved out and into permanent housing, they said. Just on the other side of the gate that separates Camp Resolution from the rest of the world, a group of people live in a cluster of cars parked haphazardly on the side of the road. Across the street, someone has erected a makeshift shack. RVs that serve as stand-in homes line the road.

Inside the gate, Sharon and Joyce tend to have the ultimate say in what goes, though there's also a council that meets on Thursday evenings to discuss camp issues. Things don't always go smoothly.

Last year a neighbor's dogs attacked Sharon and sent her to the hospital with multiple bite injuries. That led to new rules at the camp about pets. But Sharon and Joyce say it's hard to actually enforce the rules they impose.

"We need more structure," Sharon said.

As they showed off the different parts of their community, Sharon and Joyce expressed disapproval of a trash pile in the middle of the camp.

"That can go in the trash can," Joyce said. It didn't take long. A few minutes later, residents could be seen picking up the garbage and carrying it to a nearby dumpster.

CalMatters Capitol reporter Jeanne Kuang contributed to this story. ★



Jeanne Gillis uses tubs to wash dishes next to her trailer at Camp Resolution on Feb 28, 2024. Photo by Fred Greaves for CalMatters



# Study Finds Significant Disparities in Diagnosis and Treatment of Dementia

**University of California - Davis Health News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - A new study from UC Davis Health and Oregon Health & Science University reveals significant disparities in dementia care. The researchers found that people living with dementia from minoritized racial and ethnic populations are less likely to receive an accurate and timely dementia diagnosis compared to non-Hispanic whites. They were also less likely to be prescribed anti-dementia medication or use hospice care. Minoritized populations are those marginalized due to systemic oppression.

In addition, the study found the same populations have a higher risk of hospitalization and receive more aggressive life-sustaining treatment in end-of-life care. The study was published in *Alzheimer's & Dementia: The Journal of the Alzheimer's Association*.

"Reducing disparities in Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and receiving timely, high-quality health care services is essential to advance health equity," said Ladson Hinton, first author of the study and a professor in the UC Davis Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. Hinton is also associate director for research in the Family Caregiving Institute at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis.

The researchers conducted a scoping review, identifying and analyzing the results of 71 research studies conducted between 2000 and 2022. The studies examined health care access and quality for people with dementia and their caregivers. The studies reported findings related to race and ethnicity.

"Our review provides timely and compelling evidence of disparities in health care quality and access for people living with dementia from minoritized populations," Hinton said. "It also highlights significant gaps in data, particularly for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and American Indians and Alaska Natives populations."

**Statistically significant differences**

Of the 71 studies identified, all but one reported one or more statistically significant differences between racial and ethnic groups. For example:

-85.9% of the studies reported findings for Black Americans.

-57.7% for Hispanic Americans.

-25.4% for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

-2.8% for American Indians and Alaska Natives.

-32.4% reported aggregate categories for non-white populations.

The most frequently addressed topics in the papers were medication treatment (38%), end-of-life care (22.5%), health service use (18.3%), diagnosis (15.5%), family caregiving (7%) and long-term care (5.6%).

Some of the key findings related to diagnosis and treatment found that compared with non-Hispanic white Americans:

-Minoritized populations received less optimal care and experienced delays in how long it took to receive a diagnosis. In one large, recently published study, it took 11% longer for Black Americans and 40% longer for Hispanic Americans.

-Asian American older adults were less likely to receive a diagnostic work-up for cognitive impairment.

Black and Hispanic American patients were less likely to be referred for neuropsychological testing.

-Minoritized populations had lower rates of prescriptions for anti-dementia medications like cholinesterase inhibitors and memantine.

-Hispanic and Black American older adults had higher discontinuation rates of anti-dementia medications.

**Disparities in end-of-life care**

There were also disparities in living conditions and end-of-life care. Compared with non-Hispanic white Americans:

-Black Americans with dementia were more likely to have increased hospital admission rates, longer lengths of stay and higher costs.

-Minoritized populations living with dementia were less likely to be in long-term care facilities with special memory care units.

-Caregivers of Black Americans with dementia were less likely to fill out advanced care directives.

Black Americans with dementia were less likely to receive hospice care and more likely to receive feeding tubes and mechanical

ventilation during end-of-life care.

"The results of our study highlight the importance of granular data collection on race and ethnicity," said Oanh Meyer, co-author and associate professor in the UC Davis Department of Neurology. "Understanding where the disparities exist will help us address why they occur and how to remedy them at the individual, clinical and health-system level."

**Achieving equity and closing gaps in health outcomes**

The researchers recommend monitoring for disparities at the local level, educating and training clinicians to reduce bias and improve communication, and enhancing the cultural and linguistic competence of clinical care. They also support developing targeted initiatives to empower people with dementia and family caregivers as they navigate the health care system.

The authors also point out that recognizing existing disparities can prompt policy change at the health system level to address systemic racism and promote health equity.

The researchers noted several limitations of their study, including that some studies may have been missed for inclusion and that the underlying factors responsible for the identified differences are unclear and need further research. They note the study also did not include other potential disparities for people with dementia, such as those identifying as LGBTQ, or geographical inequities faced by those living in rural, urban, and suburban areas.

"Ultimately, it's critical that the best available dementia care is attainable and offered to all Americans, particularly those who are left out of novel research innovations because of their race, social standing or place of residence," said Ana R. Quiñones, senior author of the study and an associate professor at Oregon Health & Science University. "To make real progress in achieving equity and closing the gaps in outcomes for Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, we must do more to ensure the most promising interventions are aimed at those who need them the most."

Additional authors of the study include Duyen Tran at UC Davis Health and Kate Peak at Oregon Health & Science University. ★

# 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 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



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

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. ★

# To Stop Predators from Using AI to Exploit Children, Congress Must Act

**Commentary by Teresa Huizar**

Sexual predators are using a new tool to exploit children -- AI image generators. Users on a dark-web forum shared 3,000 AI-generated images of child sexual abuse in one month, according to the Internet Watch Foundation.

Current child sexual abuse laws are outdated. They don't account for the dangers AI and emerging technologies pose. Lawmakers must act fast to put legal protections in place.

The national CyberTipline -- a reporting system for suspected online child exploitation -- received a staggering 32 million reports in 2022, up from 21 million two years prior. That figure is sure to grow with the rise of AI.

AI platforms are "trained" on existing visual material. Sources used to create images may include real children's faces taken from social media, or photographs of real-life exploitation.

Advanced AI-generated images are virtually indistinguishable from unaltered photographs. Investigators have found new images of old victims, images of "de-aged" celebrities depicted as children in abuse scenarios, and "nudified" images taken from otherwise benign photos of clothed children. Much of this technology is downloadable, so offenders can generate images off-line without fear of discovery.

Using AI to create pictures of child sex abuse is not a victimless crime. Behind every AI image, there are real children. And studies show that a majority of those who possess child sex abuse material also commit hands-on abuse.

Adults can also use platforms like ChatGPT to better lure children. Criminals have long used fake online identities to meet young people in games or on social media, gain their trust and manipulate them into sending explicit images, then "sexort" them

for money, more pictures, or physical acts. ChatGPT makes it shockingly easy to masquerade as a child or teen with youthful language.

President Biden recently signed an executive order geared at managing the risks of AI. But we need help from lawmakers.

We need to update the federal definition of child sexual abuse material to include AI-generated depictions. As the law stands, prosecutors must show harm to an actual child. A defense team could claim that AI material is not depicting a real child, even though AI images often pull from material that victimizes real children.

We must adopt policies requiring tech companies to monitor and report exploitative material. Only three companies were responsible for 98% of all CyberTips in 2020 and 2021: Facebook, Google, and Snapchat.

Many state laws identify "mandatory reporters," or professionals who are legally required to report suspected abuse. Employees of social media and tech companies ought to have mandated reporting responsibilities.

We need to rethink how we use end-to-end encryption, in which only the sender and receiver can access a message or file. While it has valid applications, end-to-end encryption can help people store and share child abuse images. To illustrate how many abusers go undetected, consider that out of the 29 million tips CyberTipline received in 2021, just 160 came from Apple, which maintains end-to-end encryption for iMessages and iCloud.

Even if law enforcement has a warrant to access a perpetrator's files, a tech company with end-to-end encryption can claim that it can't help. Surely an industry built on innovation is capable of developing solutions to protect our children.

AI and social media are evolving every day. If lawmakers act now, we can prevent wide-scale harm to kids. ★

# Reparations Would Cost Taxpayers \$2.8 Trillion

**Pacific Research Institute News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - A new analysis released February 20th by the Pacific Research Institute -- a California-based, nonpartisan, free-market think tank -- finds that if California were to implement the controversial recommendations of the state Reparations Task Force, it would cost taxpayers \$2.8 trillion, push 1.84 million additional people to leave California over 5 years, and increase the tax burden for the average household by 54 percent.

"As lawmakers consider the first bills to implement the state Reparation Task Force's recommendations, it is imperative that they

understand the fiscal and economic implications," said Dr. Wayne Winegarden, PRI senior fellow in business and economics. "Our new analysis makes clear -- the state reparations plan is a financially unrealistic proposal that will bankrupt California if enacted."

Spending Watch is a new initiative from the Pacific Research Institute evaluating the revenue, spending, and economic impacts of major budget and policy proposals.

Reviewing U.S. Census estimates, nonpartisan media analyses, and the California Reparations Report from the state Reparations Task Force, it is estimated that roughly 2 million black Californians would be eligible for the Commission's recommended \$1.4 million

per person payout. Given this, Spending Watch pegs the total state reparations bill at \$2.8 trillion.

Assuming that reparations are paid out over 30 years, and that the present-day value of \$1.4 million is not accounted for over that period, the annual state cost would be \$93.3 billion.

Given these calculations and assumptions, Spending Watch estimates that Californians would experience the following if lawmakers enact the state Reparations Task Force's proposals:

54 Percent Increase in State Tax Burden: Since lawmakers are unlikely to significantly reduce spending, Spending Watch calculates that a 3.25 percent point increase in

income, sales, and corporate income tax rates would be needed to generate sufficient revenue to fund reparations payouts. This equates to a more than 54 percent increase in the marginal state income tax and sales tax burden for the average household.

Jobs, Economy, Household Income Would Decline: Spending Watch estimates that, compared to California's baseline growth, reparations payouts would

cause the economy in 2029 to be 11 percent smaller and the average family's income to be 5.7 percent lower. There would also be 4.9 percent fewer job opportunities.

Would Accelerate State's Outmigration Problem: Given the negative economic and tax effects, Spending Watch estimates that an additional 1.8 million residents would leave the state over a five-year period due to reparations, seeking a more affordable lifestyle in

other states.

"Unlike reparations, there are many policies that lawmakers can enact to create prosperity and improve affordability for all -- such as repealing AB 5 to increase employment opportunities, implementing school choice, and reforming CEQA to lower housing costs -- without imposing huge burdens on the poorest residents who are least able to bear the costs," Winegarden concluded. ★