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Students at Luther Elementary School had a blast participating in the latest Color Run! Photo by Steven Bryla

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Luther Elementary School in Live Oak was awash in color Friday, April 5 as the Confidence Crew kicked off their first Color Run. Educator Tania Castellanos tells the Herald that the Confidence Crew is comprised of third and fourth grade girls grouped together for Castellanos honors project for Chico State. "The focus of the group is for girls to develop social skills and understand their own personal limits as well as the limits of their peers. In strengthening



interpersonal skills, girls walk away with added tools to help with the changes that will happen in the following years. These tools will help them with the confidence to tackle hardships and uncomfortable situations they may face, while doing it with compassion for others," said Castellanos.

The girls organized the Luther Color Run, asking for donations of 5 canned

Live Oak Announces **Mark Scott as Interim City** Manager

By Sharon Pearce

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - A short Live Oak council meeting was made even shorter for those viewing through the Granicus Live Stream on April 3, which disconnected but the Zoom link did provide coverage of a new interim city manager being introduced.

Mark Scott, a retired city manager, who said he was happy to take on these jobs, accepted the offer.

Described as an annuitant with special parameters as to how he could serve, Scott spoke from the podium to introduce himself to City Council and Live Oak citizens. Some requirements are that he is limited in the number of hours he can work each week and the full assignment cannot run more than 960 hours, which would take him potentially to late 2024.

City Council stated that a number of possible hires were interviewed for the position. Scott expressed appreciation for the opportunity to be Live Oak city manager, stating this was the 11th time he had done this. "This is what I love doing," Scott said, enjoying the moment. In his initial remarks, Scott said, "Some might say driving from Fresno every week is 'borderline crazy' but this is what I do." Scott commented to City Council, "I appreciate how you work with each other respectfully and the good words you have for your staff." Scott said he has already spent time with Parks and Recreation director Luis (Ciprian). Scott continued, "Ultimately, I work for the City Council and take direction from it. I am interested in what each of you think. I promise you I will have fun and the people around me are having fun." Scott revealed his understanding and experience in the sophistication of city management, saying, "I will be as non-political as possible. I will never count votes (as to who might back his positions). Each councilmember has a vote on everything." He added, "I will do my best to keep you informed." City Council responded by thanking Scott for joining them. The consent items, all passing unanimously, included a resolution approving changes to the city Continued on page 2

This student braces for a blast of color during the Luther Color Run. Photo by Steven Bryla

food items from their classmates for the opportunity to participate. A goal of 500 cans was set by the crew to be donated to the Live Oak Unified "No Continued on page 3

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Monster Truck Event Rescheduled

Monster Truck Nitro **Tour News Release**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Due to another monster truck event the same weekend in Maryville, CA, this event in Gridley on April 20, 2024, has been moved to September 7, 2024, and all tickets sold and all comp tickets will be honored at the rescheduled show. September 7, 2024 - Gridley, CA. Monster Truck Nitro Tour is coming to Butte County Fairgrounds 199 Ε. Hazel Street. Gridley, CA, 95948 (530) 846-3626 or www. buttecountryfair.org.

Show Dates & Times Saturday, September 7, 2024 - 1:30 p.m.****Pit Party is 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, September 7, 2024 - 7:30 p.m.****Pit Party is 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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or call (888) 760-3222. All Tickets are subject to service charges and or misc. fees. Tickets will go up in price on day of show. Event will be outdoors. Loud noises and exhaust fumes should be expected. Not recom-

mended for children under two years of age. No No video cameras, or professional extended lens cameras allowed. Event length approximately two to three hours. *

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TRUCKS as they invade the Butte County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 7, 2024. See these incredible 10,000-pound, car-crushing giants compete in Racing, Wheelie Contests, and then rock the house

wwpre-event Autograph Pit Party, including appearances from Monster Trucks and others. *Monster Truck lineup

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The New Pi-Line





By Josh F.W. Cook

It has come to my attention that some people don't continue reading the newspaper after they look at the front page, the high school sports on the back page, and then this column on the second page. Those of you who live this way missed one of the greatest stories in the last five years about the nine-yearold trying to drive their car to school in Thermalito and then crashing it into the highway patrol officer who followed them into the parking lot. The story created a mix of

emotions; it was tragic that some child was living with so little parental involvement that they were able to steal their mother's car. It was also terrifying to think that some nine-yearold might run over me or run into me, and then it was hilarious, and a part of me wished I could've been the highway patrol officer. I would like to hear the radio call to the dispatch center. I don't know how the guy could call it in without starting to laugh.

Some advice for those of you who are considering loaning out your house to travelers through the Air bed-and-breakfast phone app, or some other software service that lets you let other people sleep in your house for money. If you are nitpicky or particular about how your things are arranged in your home, or you are a neat freak, this whole loaning your house out to other people is not a good thing for you to do.

Warm weather is upon us and soon it will be swimming season. This sunny warmth is a reminder that we should make sure our children know how to swim, The goal is to make it through the summer with no one drowning in a ditch. ***

For those of you who were planning on making a living engaging in criminal activities in Live Oak, your plans have been dashed. The city government has hired a new administrator, and they have signed their law-enforcement agreement with the county after much ado.

Josh F.W. Cook is an educator, administrator, and Chaplain. Views expressed here are solely his own.

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manager's compensation and adopting an amended salary schedule recommendation increase from \$150,000 to \$225,000 annually.

The meeting also included a recognition to Deputy Ryan Tapia for his service. He was present for a City Council group photo.

A Sexual Assault Awareness Month proclamation was presented to Casa de Esperanza, a domestic violence shelter serving the Yuba, Sutter and Colusa counties area with a crisis line of 530-674-2040. City Council indicated Casa de Esperanza led the way in providing phone contact and other active efforts, in collaboration with others, in every segment of society to provide help and hope as to sexual assault awareness with a goal that the message "No means No" is understood by all.

The next regular Live Oak City Council meeting will be at 6 p.m. April 17 at City Hall, 9955 Live Oak Blvd.



Gridley Animal Control Services is reaching out to request monetary donations to provide funding for our city's TNR Program. Photo courtesy of Gundula Vogel Pixabay

Gridley Animal Control News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The time is meow! With the warm weather approaching, kitten season will soon be upon us. This is the time that all of the unaltered cats living in our community give birth and come out of hiding. Gridley Animal Control Services is reaching out to request monetary donations to provide funding for our city's TNR Program.

TNR Program.cThe Gridley TNR is ancommunity-based pro-ugram that benefits the catsuand residents in the city ofhGridley. It is free to uti-olize and available to allcresidents living within thetaincorporated city limits ofbGridley. TNR stabilizescferal cat populations bytistopping the breeding cyclea

and disruptive mating behaviors — such as yowling, spraying, roaming, and fighting — so cats and humans can coexist peacefully. Spayed/neutered and vaccinated community cats are also beneficial to our city because they help to control the rodent population.

TNR (Trap-Neuter-Release) is the only humane and effective approach to controlling feral cat populations. Feral cats, also known as community cats, are un-owned, un-socialized cats who are unable to be adopted into homes, and live their lives outside. During TNR, feral cats are humanely trapped, taken to a veterinarian to be spayed/neutered, vaccinated, have their ear's tipped for identification, and are then returned back

to their outdoor homes. Spay/neutering and vaccinations are required by law, and they are our only way to control the growing pet population.

cost to our TNR program for one cat is \$55, which includes spay/neuter, vaccines, ear tipping, and medications. A colony of 20 cats costs the program approximately \$1,100.

Please consider sending a monetary donation in any amount to: Gridley Animal Control, 685 Kentucky St., Gridley, CA, 95948, to help support your community and be a part of the solution.

Need to utilize the community TNR program? Contact Gridley Animal Control by phone at 530-846-4825 or email animalshelter@gridley.ca.us ★

CDFW Develops 2023 Salmon Disaster Spend Plan





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Although returns of Sacramento River fall Chinook salmon are higher than last year, they are still well below historic averages. Photo courtesy Pixabay

Nor-Cal Guides & Sportsmens Association News Release

CALIFORNIA REGION (MPG) - On April 6, 2023, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) acted unanimously to recommend a full closure of California's 2023 commercial and recreational ocean salmon seasons due to extremely low population estimates for Sacramento and Klamath river fall Chinook salmon. The U.S. Secretary of Commerce approved this request on Oct. 30, 2023, which began the process of providing federal assistance to communities and businesses impacted by the disaster. On Feb. 15, 2024, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) was notified that \$20,625,729 had been allocated by the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration to respond to the disaster. Following the announcement of fund allocation, and with support and input from industry representatives, CDFW developed the draft 2023 Salmon Disaster Spend Plan to distribute these disaster funds.

CDFW invites the public to submit comments on the draft 2023 Salmon Disaster Spend Plan. CDFW is asking for input on the proposed allocations of relief funding to fishing sectors, qualifying criteria, individual payouts and other components of the plan. Following the comment period, CDFW will finalize the plan for submission to the Department of Commerce. Comments may be provided via email through 5 p.m., April 19, 2024, at SalmonDisaster@wildlife.ca.gov.

Looking ahead to the 2024 season, the PFMC will consider the alternatives for the 2024 salmon seasons at its meeting April 5-11 in Seattle. This meeting is open to the public. Although returns of Sacramento River fall Chinook salmon are higher than last year, they are still well below historic averages.

More information about federal fishery disaster relief and ocean salmon fishing seasons is available on the CDFW website. More information about the PFMC and the public meeting on April 5-11 in Seattle is available on the PFMC website.



Turn in Your Warrants!



Gridley Police Department officers nab Annette Boone (center) on an Unjustice Court warrant for Red Suspenders Day. Unjustice Court is one of the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce's fun fundraisers. *Disclaimer - Boone is not actually being arrested. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - With Red Suspenders Day (RSD) a little over a month out, the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce wants to remind you to get your arrest warrants in.

Each year as part of the RSD festivities, the fundraiser coined "Unjustice Court" is held the Friday before the main event. This year it will fall on Friday, May 17.

Unjustice Court asks families, friends and even coworkers to turn in names of people they would like to see "arrested" in the name of fun. The day of Unjustice Court, our local firemen and women join in the search, executing these warrants for arrest and bringing in the "criminals" to be sentenced by the court.

Court and the jail is typically found at downtown's Rotary Park, where the "judge" assigns a bail amount based on the person's "crimes." Criminals are booked and thrown into a makeshift jail where they dine on free pizza and beverages until bail is posted or they serve their time. It really is all fun and games.

All bail money goes to the Chamber, as it is one of the few fundraisers they have that solely supports their group.

To turn in an arrest warrant contact the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce at 530-846-3142 or drop by their office at 890 Hazel St., Gridley. ★

Local Middle Schoolers Tour D.C.



Students from Biggs and Manzanita School stand outside the White House, one of many stops on their trip to Washington DC. Photo by Charla Tomsic-Bedolla

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A group of twenty-two 7th and 8th grade students from Manzanita School and Biggs Middle School had the amazing opportunity to experience the nation's capital on a 5-day trip to Washington, D.C. In addition, students had the opportunity to visit and learn about the historical significance of the following: Lincoln Memorial, Martin Luther King Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Washington Monument, 9-11 Memorial, Holocaust Museum, African American History Museum, Mt. Vernon, Koren Conflict Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, the Washington Mall, and Capitol Wheel.

Confidence Crew Holds Color Run



From left to right is Yamilena Del Rio, Ayva Valdez, Lydia Cuéllar and Marina Alvarez. These outstanding young women exceeded their goal of raising 500 cans of food to be donated to the LOUSD "No Child Hungry" program through the Color Run they organized. Photo provided by Tania Castellanos

Continued from page 1 Child Hungry" program.

"This is a very important program that our school district has in place for families who are facing food insecurities." Shared Castellanos. "The majority of the food comes from donations, but it has shown to create a positive impact for our students. The Confidence Crew understands that food is one of our main tools to success and they want to help the program."

Castellanos says that by collecting donations of the "No Child Hungry" program her group is learning the "importance of setting person, group and community goals."

The Color Run was held on the Luther Elementary School campus and began at 2:00 pm last Friday.

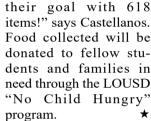


The students at Luther Elementary School dodged volunteers who happily doused participants with colored chalk, creating rainbow clouds of color during the Color Run. Photo by Steven Bryla

Students provided their cans of food to organizers and got ready to be coated with color for the cause.

Not only was the Color Run fun, but it was successful.

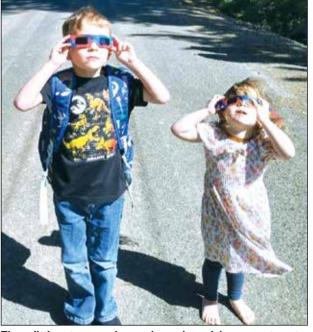
"The girls surpassed



Eclipse Dazzles Gridley

Story and photo by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Across the nation, people of all ages came out to watch the solar eclipse on Monday, April 8. Although our area was out of the total solar eclipse path, viewers were still able to see a bite taken out of the sun by the moon with eclipse viewing glasses. The partial eclipse was a great source of excitement for many. In California, action began roughly around 10:15 a.m. and reached its peak an hour later around 11:15 a.m. This was the second solar eclipse that the United States has recently experienced, with one occurring in 2023, and is reportedly the first total



The group left home Tuesday, April 2 and upon landing, immediately began to explore the many historical monuments in the city.

Charla Tomsic-Bedolla, an educator at Manzanita School, said that U.S Representative Doug LaMalfa organized tours of his office in Washington and had his staffers provide the 7th and 8th graders with a detailed tour of the Capitol. LaMalfa was also instrumental in arranging a tour of the White House for the group.

Students attended a performance at the Ford Theatre and learned about the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, and visited the Hall of Records, observing the Bill of Rights, Declaration of Independence, and Constitution first-hand. At Arlington Cemetery, they got to watch the solemn changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Tomsic-Bedolla tells the Herald the students really enjoyed visiting the White House. They were able to catch the exciting moment the presidents plane landed on the White House lawn and watched as secret service secured the area.

The group took their mascot, the blue and gold Manzanita Mustang along, snapping photos of the icon at each memorial site. Students helped him along on the tour, passing him around so that the Mustang also got the experience of a lifetime.

The trip has been a part of the Manzanita program in the past, sending students every two years, but included Biggs students this year in order to give a larger group of students the opportunity to learn about the nation's history.

These little astronomy lovers donned special eyewear to get a glimpse of their first eclipse.

solar eclipse since the year 2017. The next total solar eclipse is not expected

to be seen by those in North American until the year 2044. \star



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work, health permit and requirements, financing, and what your financial and time investment will be. Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 | Time: 8:30am - 10:30am Location: The Barrel Room, 1566 Huntoon St., Oroville

Understanding Food Costs & Pricing for Your Restaurant, Catering, and Food

Business (Orland) Join Butte College SBDC for a 2-hour workshop on understanding food costs and pricing. This training is for both existing and startup restaurants and food businesses. Topics will include: Understanding profit and loss statements; Industry benchmarks for food costs; How to work from a budget; Industry techniques for calculating plate costs; How to price for profitability; and best practice for managing inventory and food spoilage.

Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2024 | Time: 9:00am – 11:00am

Cost: Free | Location: Butte College-Glenn County Center, 1366 Cortina Dr, Orland

Basic Sales & Use Tax and Tax Return Preparation Workshop (Chico)

Gain an understanding of sales and use tax, district tax, taxable and nontaxable labor, as well as foreign and interstate taxability. Discover exemptions and deductions which may be available to you. Determine how AB 147 and the Market Place Facilitator Act affects your business. Finally, get step-bystep instructions on how to file a Sales and Use Tax Return electronically using California Department of Tax and Fee Administration's new online services system.

Date: Thursday, April 25, 2024 | Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Cost: Free | Location: Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

The Basics of Bookkeeping (Chico)

Learn basic concepts for setting up your bookkeeping and develop an understanding of financial statements to better manage your business. Learn and understand common terms used in bookkeeping so you can converse confidently with lenders, financial advisors, and bookkeepers/ Accountants/CPAs. Learn key concepts for good record keeping for your business. Date: Monday, April 29, 2024 | Time: 8:30am - 10:30am Cost: Free | Location: Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

First Steps to Successfully Opening A Restaurant or Food Business (Paradise) If you are a first-time start-up restaurateur, a food entrepreneur who is looking for help with putting together a road map for successfully opening your business, or you are a new startup (less than 6 months) this workshop is for you! We will guide you through an overview of organizational strategies and timelines required from concept, to finding a location and working through the permit process up to opening day. Topics include: Organizational Timelines, Strategies and Resources; Business Plan Overview; Investors and Funding Options; Entity/Bookkeeper or Accountant; Location & Lease; Permits and Licenses Overview; Opening checklists; and other keys to success. Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 | Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Cost: Free | Location: Paradise Ridge Chamber, 6161 Clark Road, Paradise



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STEVE FREDERICKS • 3/2/1941 - 4/4/2023

Steve Fredericks, 83, of Gridley, CA died at his home on April 4, 2024.

Steve was born in Woodland, CA in 1941 to Bill and Veneva Fredericks. He attended Union Elementary School, Esparto High School, and Cal Poly University.

He meet the love of his life, Louise Lambert, in 1959 at the Yolo County Fair. They became inseparable and were soon married in 1960.

Steve and Louise made their first home in San Luis Obispo where Steve attended school and worked at the local service station. From there, they moved to Shingle Springs where Steve managed the Vida Bark plant. In 1977, they moved to Biggs, CA where Steve entered into the family John Deer Tractor business and began farming walnuts and rice.

Steve and Louise have four children, Jeff Fredericks (Darlene) of Biggs CA, Greg Fredericks (Linda) of Albuquerque NM, and twins Kim Lewis and Cami Dew (Chuck) both of Oroville, CA. In addition to their children, Steve and Louise are blessed with nine grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Steve was a volunteer fireman and a member of



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Rotary along with being an active member of The Comanche Riders for 34 years and The Masonic Lodge for 62 years.

He was preceded in death by parents Bill and Veneva, brother Bill Fredericks, and son in-law Barry Lewis.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years Louise Fredericks, sisters Vickie Murphy (Bob) and Lisa Bricker, sister in-law Darlene Fredericks, and brother George Alcock, along with Steve's children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

a loving family and lifelong friends. It was his family and friends that he took such pride in and loved so much. Sharing a good joke or story made him the life of the party. Knowing Steve was to have a story or two with him.

A private ceremony is being held at the Murphy Ranch in Brooks, CA.

The public celebration of life is being held on Saturday April 20th at 11 AM at the Gridley Moose Lodge located at 1533 Hwy 99, Gridley, CA for all of those that would like to attend. Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.



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Fire Safe Landscaping

With the spring planting season finally here, the Gridley Fire Fighters would like to talk a little about some landscaping options while still staying fire-safe!

A fire-safe landscape isn't necessarily the same thing as a wellmaintained yard. A fire-safe landscape uses fire-resistant plants that are strategically planted to resist the spread of fire to your home. Fire resistant plants are great in California because they are often drought tolerant too.

The good news is, you don't need a lot of money to make your landscape fire safe. You will find that a fire-safe landscape can increase your property value and conserve water while beautifying your home.

- · Create fire-safe zones with stone walls, patios, decks and roadways.
- · Use rock, mulch, flower beds and gardens as ground cover for bare spaces and as effective firebreaks.
- There are no "fire-proof" plants. Select high moisture plants that grow close to the ground and have a low sap or resin content.
- Choose fire-retardant plant species that resist ignition such as rockrose, ice plant and aloe.
- Fire-resistant shrubs include hedging roses, bush honeysuckles, currant, cotoneaster, sumac and shrub apples.
- Plant hardwood, maple, poplar and cherry trees that is less flammable than pine, fir and other conifers.

Check your local nursery, landscape contractor or county extension service for advice on fire-resistant plants that are suited for your environment, and help to plan your landscape.

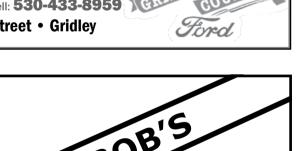
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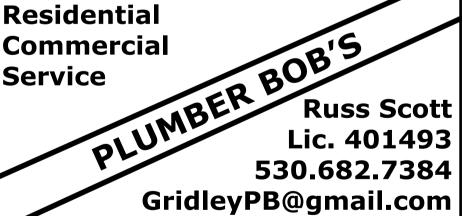
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Add Your Voice: City of Gridley to Hold Housing Element Meeting

By the City of Gridley

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The City of Gridley is beginning the process to update the 2014-2022 Housing Element of the 2030 General Plan.

After the adoption of the 2030 General Plan in 2010, the City created the 2009-2014 Housing Element. The Housing Element is a review of the community and identifies what the housing needs are and creates ways to meet housing for all income levels. This is the second update of the Housing Element during the life of the City's 2030 General Plan, the 6th planning cycle.

The State of California passed legislation aimed at reducing barriers thus streamlining housing construction to meet the increasing demand. The state determines how much land must be made available to build homes in each County. This is called the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) defined as a number of units that need to be provided for. The County, Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG), then determines the number of homes each city is responsible for in providing land available for housing. Cities are required to ensure that adequate land is zoned for residential use. BCAG also determines the ratio of housing that is needed related to income levels.

The unmet need allocated housing units for income levels for the 2009-2014 Housing Element determined 91 units for very low income, 17 units for low income, 180 units for moderate income, and 0 units for above moderate income. The income levels are based on the Butte County Median Income levels.

The Regional Housing Needs Allocation for the 2014-2022 Housing Element created a total of 322 units for very low income, 135 units for low income, 279 units for moderate income, and 321 units for above moderate income. To date, the city has made land available to meet the number of units required.

The construction of units between 2014 and 2022 reduced the low income and above moderate-income units by 85 and 128, respectively. This reduction in combination with the new allocation require the City to ensure land available for residential housing be provided for a total of 1,189 units comprised of 440 very low income units, 91 low income units, 309 moderate income units and 349 above moderate income units.

The City needs to provide land area for a total of 1,189 housing units. To that end, all California local governments are required to prepare a housing element (or housing chapter of the General Plan) that specifies how the community will plan for its housing needs. The city plans for the location for additional housing units the city does not build the units, rather, it makes sure there is land dedicated to residential uses.

The Housing Element identifies policies and implementation measures to support additional housing. This is a community effort, and it is important to hear ideas from the community to help develop the plan. It is organized around the following key issues: 1. Housing Quality 2. Housing Quantity 3. Remove Constraints to Housing 4. Affordable Housing 5. Equal Housing Opportunity 6. Natural Resources and Energy Conservation.

The city is interested in receiving comments from the community that will help provide improved policies and strategies for the 2022-2030 Housing Element Update.

The Planning Commission of the City of Gridley is holding the kick-off public meeting for the update on April 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. The public is invited to attend in person, or view by Zoom to add their voices to this process. The city is working on providing links at its website to provide comments that will each be addressed. ★



LOCAL FISHING Striped Bass Derby/ Colusa April 20-21, 2024

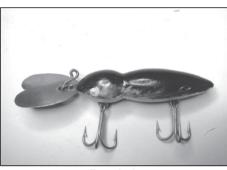
NCGASA.ORG/SHOP [To sign up] Last Monday 4-8-2024. I was on my favorite pond fishing for Red Ear Sunfish. At approximately 10:12 AM I could hardly see my bait/lure for 1-minute 40 seconds. (A partial Solar Eclipse)

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Halibut are hungry in San Pablo Bay, a few Striped Bass also. Try: Cut Bait. (b) Go to Hog Slough in the Delta for spawning Black Bass. Try: Heddon Lucky 13. (a)

COASTAL WATERS

Offshore fishing for Rock Cod off to a good start. Three miles out and 350 ft. deep. Try: Cut Bait. (b) Point Sur; 17 Orcas chasing baby whales. Casper Headlands State Park Beach. Best surf fishing is with { 3 X 7'5" X 14} conditions. Try: Foxy Crab. (b)



Foxy Crab

LAKES RESERVOIRS

Lake Amador stocked with 500 lbs. of 8-20 lb. trophy Rainbow Trout; an extra 1000 lbs. of Gold and Blue Cuttbows. Try: Power Bait. (b) Lake Berryessa; water is roily and lots of debris, fishing is slow, but we did hook four "Donkey Trout". (big, Big, BIG). Try: Jenny Liz. (a) Los Vaqueros Reservoir near Livermore,



Jenny Liz

Ca. 2000 lb. plant of Mt. Lassen Trout. Fish from the public pier. Try: Big Nightcrawlers. (b) Clear Lake. Burr!! Fish the shallows for Crappie. Try: small Live Minnow. (a)

RIVERS

The Klamath River Renewal Corporation (KRRC). "The Plan. Dewater the lake slowly, over the course of about two months."

> KRRC dumped the water and toxic sediment out of the lakes, via the Iron Gate Dam Tunnel over the period of two days. It's a plain fact that the 5.7 million cubic yards of toxic sediment dumped into the Klamath River on January 23, 2024, over the course of the just a few days killed the Klamath River. Feather River; stripers at Boyd's Landing. Anchor the boat and toss out your bait. Try: Sardine Cut Bait. (a) Stripers moving up the Sacramento River to Colusa. Tisdale to Horseshoe Bend. Back-trolling... Try: Cut Bait. (a)

American River; young Blue Back steelhead of 22"-24" arriving in late March. (Blue backs with silver sides and belly, small black dots on fins.) Try: Salmon Egg rigs. (a) Lower Yuba River... drifting bait under indicators. 15"-16" Rainbows. Try: Skawala Nymphs. (b)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000909 The following person(s) are doing business as: GMG Styles, 1224 Mangrove Avenue, #10, Chico, CA 95926

Jessika M Allen, 820 W 4th Avenue Apt 115, Chico, CA 95926

Date filed in Butte County: October 20. 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: October 1. 2018

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024 GMG 4-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000214 The following person(s) are doing business as: KS Projects Unlimited, 1203 12th Street, Oroville, CA 95965

Kathy C Gardner, 1203 12th Street, Oroville, CA 95965 Date filed in Butte County: March

5, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 5, 2024.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000252 The following person(s) are doing business as: Farmersfeed, 2451 Myers Street, Oroville, CA 95966

Tye M Giesbrecht, 2313 HWY 45, Glenn, CA 95943, and Taylor Giesbrecht, 7948 County Road 36, Glenn, CA 95943 and Brandon K Giesbrecht, 2369 HWY 45, Glenn. CA 95943

Date filed in Butte County: March 19, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000250 The following person(s) are doing business as: Sign and Deliver Mobile Notary, 1775 Blue Heron Court, Gridley, CA 95948

Kristina D Estes, 1775 Blue Heron Court, Gridley, CA 95948 Date filed in Butte County: March 19. 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by An Individual NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024 SIGN 4-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000199 The following person(s) are doing business as: Broadway Pawn, 534 Broadway Street, Chico, CA 95928

Bengtson Inc, 1037 Village Lane, Chico. CA 95928

Date filed in Butte County: March 1, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: A Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024 BROADWAY 4-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000249 The following person(s) are doing business as: R and S

Recovery, 1731 Hyer Court, Durham, CA 95938 Stephen Clyde Howard, 1731

Hyer Court, Durham, CA 95938 Date filed in Butte County: March 18. 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000281 The following person(s) are doing business as: Navex Trading Company, Inc, New Autos Inc, Navex, Nai, North American Vehicle Export 720 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928

Navex Trading Company Inc 720 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928

Date filed in Butte County: March 28, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 2, 1998

This Business is conducted by: Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024

4-26-24 NAVEX

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000259 The following person(s) are doing business as: Casa D Alma Camaron Pelao, 484 CA 99, Gridley, CA 95948 Jesus Manuel Ceballos, 484 CA

99, Gridley, CA 95948 Date filed in Butte County: March 25, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: An Individual, NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ. Business and Professions Code. Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024

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Tye M Giesbrecht, 2313 HWY 45, Glenn, CA 95943 and Taylor Giesbrecht, 7948 County Road 36, Glenn, CA 95943 and Brandon K Giesbrecht, 2369 HWY 45, Glenn, CA 95943.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000185 The following person(s) are doing business as: Showtime Cards. 1245 Robinson Street. Oroville, CA 95965

Joshua Daniel Chartier, 1245 Robinson Street, Oroville, CA 95965

Date filed in Butte County: February 26. 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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SHOWTIME 4-26-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000225 The following person(s) are doing business as: Finka, 5765 Via Pacana, Oroville, CA 95966 Victor J Mendoza Valdovinos 5765 Via Pacana, Oroville, CA

95966 Date filed in Butte County: March 11, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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4-26-24 FINKA

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000265 The following person(s) are doing business as: J&S Ink Press Apparel, 4046 Myers Street, Oroville, CA 95966

J&S Ink Press Apparel LLC 4046 Myers Street, Oroville, CA 95966

Date filed in Butte County: March 26, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ. **Business and Professions Code** Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000263 The following person(s) are doing business as: Forward Family Farming, 2331 Schohr Ranch Road, Gridley, CA 95948 Susan Schohr and Carl Schohr,

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2331 Schohr Ranch Road. 95948. Gridlev. CA Hollv Whittaker and Ryan Schohr, 1523 Ridgebrook Way, Chico, CA 95928 and Tracy Schohr, 1474 Bonnell Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948

Date filed in Butte County: March 25, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: February 1, 2017

This Business is conducted by: A General Partnership. NOTICÉ This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000289 The following person(s) are doing business as: Creekside Ranch, 2420 Wheeler Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966

Staci Aleen Campos, 131 Feather River Circle, Vacaville, CA 95688

Date filed in Butte County: March 29, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

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Victor J Mendoza Valdovinos, 5765 Via Pacana, Oroville, CA 95966

Date filed in Butte County: March 11, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000299 The following person(s) are doing business as: Farmersfeed 2927 Feather River Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95965

Tve M Giesbrecht, 2313 HWY 45, Glenn, CA 95943 and Taylor M Giesbrecht, 7948 County Road 36, Glenn, CA 95943 and

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Butte County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on April 23, 2024, at 10:45 a.m., or shortly thereafter, to consider an amendment to Butte County Code Chapter 24, Articles II, III, and VII and approval of a grading permit. The hearing will be open to the public and held at the Butte County Board of Supervisors' Chambers, located at 25 County Center Drive, Suite 205, Oroville, California.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB), pursuant to Section 12878 of the California Water Code, will hold a public hearing Friday, April 26, 2024, in the Sacramento Area Council of Governments Building, located at 1415 L Street, #300 (Third Floor), Sacramento, CA 95814. Note: The public hearing is currently scheduled to be held in person at the identified venue, however due to changing conditions the meeting venue may change and is also expected to be simultaneously held virtually. In the event of a meeting location change, we ask that the public confirm the venue location on the CVFPB's website or attend the public hearing remotely via the Zoom link or telephone. The remote hearing link and telephone instructions can be found at CVFPB's website, www.cvfpb.ca.gov, by selecting the Meetings icon. This hearing is being held to consider the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget estimate for Maintenance Areas (MAs) Nos. 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 16, and 17 (Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Sacramento, Sutter, and Yolo Counties) for maintenance and operation of the levees and flood risk reduction works within the MAs

The purpose of the hearing is to confirm or revise the proposed maintenance and operation work program and budget submitted to the CVFPB by the Department of Water Resources for fiscal year 2024-2025. The CVFPB will receive evidence or testimony from any landowner or other interested person relevant to the proposed program of work, the necessity for such work, or the estimated cost thereof.

Within 10 days of the meeting date, please check the CVFPB website www.cvfpb.ca.gov for a copy of the proposed budget and an agenda for the April 26th meeting. If you need reasonable accommodations, call the Central Valley Flood Protection Board at (916) 574-0609, or contact the CVFPB Clerk at jonah.knapp@cvflood.ca.gov as soon as possible, for arrangements.

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PUBLIC NOTICE – PUBLIC NOTICE

GRIDLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 429 Magnolia Street Gridley, CA 95948

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF A DEVELOPER FEE STUDY AND THE INCREASE OF THE STATUTORY SCHOOL FEE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Board of the Gridley Unified School District will consider input from the public on the proposed adoption of a Developer Fee Justification Study for the District and an increase in the statutory school facility fee ("Level I Fee") on new residential and commercial/industrial developments as approved by the State Allocation Board on January 24, 2024. The adoption of the Study and the increase of the Level I Fee are necessary to fund the construction of needed school facilities to accommodate growth due to development.

Members of the public are invited to comment in writing, on or before April 24, 2024 or appear in person at the hearing at 6:30 p.m. on April 24, 2024, at the following location:

> District Office Board Room 429 Magnolia Street Gridley, CA 95948

Materials regarding the Study and the Level I Fee are on file and are available for public review at the District Office located at 429 Magnolia Street, Gridley, CA or on the Gridley Unified School District website www.gusd.org

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OF PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL FACILITIES FEES AS AUTHORIZED BY **EDUCATION CODE SECTION S 17620 AND GOVERNMENT CODES 65995**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that immediately following a public hearing on the matter, a proposed resolution(s) will be considered by the Governing Board of Gridley Unified School District at its regular meeting on April 24, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., which if adopted by the Board will implement development fees established by the District against residential construction and reconstruction at \$5.17 per square foot and against commercial or industrial construction at \$0.84 a square foot. Education Code Section 17620 and Government Code Section 65995 authorize the proposed fees. Data pertaining to the cost of school facilities is available for inspection during regular business hours at the District's administrative offices. The fee, if approved by the Governing Board, will become effective on June 24, 2024, which is 60 days after the proposed adoption of the resolution levying such fee by the Governing Board.

Dated: April 3, 2024

Posted: McKinley Primary, Wilson Elementary, Sycamore Middle School, Gridley High School, Alternative Education Complex, Gridley City Hall, Gridley Library

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Siller Zoning Code Amendment (ZCA23-0007) and Grading Permit (PWGRD23-0003)

A Zoning Ordinance amendment to add a new land use of "Assessment Facility", as a permitted use in the Industrial Zones (Table 24-26-1 Permitted Land Uses in the Industrial Zones) and as a discretionary use in the Commercial Zones (Table 24-22-1 Permitted Land Uses in the Commercial Zones - General, Community and Neighborhood) and a new related definition (under Article VII. - Definitions). A Grading Permit for retroactive grading/clearing activities. The grading activity involved the leveling of the entire site, which included tailing piles and depressions. Of the 36.23 acres, approximately 2 acres is currently fenced and being temporarily used by Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) for unpermitted equipment storage and a mobile office. The storage yard area has been stabilized using gravel and bark. The remainder of the site is vacant; however, piles of slash from vegetation removal and graded soil are located on the site.

Butte County recommends a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to CEQA. The Initial Study and MND for this project were previously circulated for public review.

At this hearing, the Planning Commission will make its recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to be heard at a future date.

A full copy of the amendments summarized above are on file and available for public viewing at the Butte County Department of Development Services, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965.

Comments regarding the project may be submitted in writing at any time prior to the hearing or orally at the scheduled hearing listed above. Members of the public can submit public comments in the following ways: U.S. Mail to 25 County Center Drive, Suite 200, ATTN: Clerk of the Board; voicemail at (530) 552.3303; eComment (https://buttecounty.granicusideas.com/meetings), or by email to: ClerkoftheBoard@ButteCounty.net. Please include the agenda item number when submitting public comments.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the hearing, please contact us at (530) 552.3300. Notification at least 72 hours before the hearing will enable staff to make reasonable arrangements.

The Gridley Herald 4-12-2024

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Truck #166, 2010 Ford F150 Super Cab XL, V8, 2WD, 4 speed automatic with 95,090 miles minimum bid \$2,500.00

Truck # 169, 2011 Dodge Dakota Extended Cab, V6, 4WD, 4 speed automatic with 88,132 miles - minimum bid \$2.500.00

Truck # 170, 2011 Dodge Dakota Extended Cab, V6, 4WD, 4 speed automatic with 89,745 miles - minimum bid \$2,500.00

The surplus property may be viewed at 5117 Larkin Road Oroville, CA. 95965. The property will be sold to the highest bidder submitting a bid in excess of the minimum bid amount listed above. The property will be sold "as is," "where is," without warranty as to condition or of any other kind.

Bids must be in writing, signed by the person offering to purchase the surplus property and must include the bidder's mailing address and a telephone number. Bids must be sealed and received at the Oroville District office (5117 Larkin Road, Oroville) not later than May 7, 2024, by 4:25 PM. Bids to be considered must be accompanied by a check in the amount of 10% of the bid amount, made payable to Butte County Mosquito & Vector Control District (BCMVCD), as security for the completion of the purchase and sale. All bids will remain sealed until the Board Meeting of May 8, 2024. The highest bidder will be notified the morning of May 9, 2024, and will be required to make arrangements with the District to complete the transaction and deliver full cash payment within 24 hours of notification. If the highest bidder fails to complete the transaction by tendering full cash payment of the bid amount within 24 hours of notification, the bid security shall be forfeited to the District. If a transaction with a higher bidder is not completed, the District may sell the property to the next highest bidder until the sale is completed. The bid security shall be returned to bidders who are not designated once the transaction is completed.

The District reserves the right to reject all bids and withdraw the property from sale. Surplus Property sales are in accordance to District Policy No. 3060, Disposal of Surplus Property.

Chico Man Convicted in Drug and Firearm Case

Butte County District Attorney News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) -On April 2, a Butte County jury convicted a Chico man of five felony counts involving a large quantity of drugs and a loaded firearm despite his proposed alibi defense.

The jury returned their verdict after only forty minutes of deliberation, finding Thomas Brian Vanhorn, 49, guilty on all five felony charges, including Possession of a Controlled Substance with a Firearm, Possession for Sale of a Controlled Substance, Transportation of a Controlled Substance for Sale, Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, and Unlawful Possession of Ammunition.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said that on the evening of July 21, 2021, Chico Police officers responded to a single-vehicle collision on Cohasset Road. Upon arrival, officers discovered Vanhorn outside the vehicle,

which had become lodged on a median after attempting a turn into the North Valley Plaza. Vanhorn told police he had been driving the vehicle and accidentally collided with the median. However, from outside the vehicle, officers spied a large ziplock bag of apparent methamphetamine on the driver's side floorboard, prompting Vanhorn to be placed in handcuffs.

Further investigation uncovered 48.5 grams (almost two ounces) of crystal methamphetamine in the ziplock bag, a loaded handgun in the driver's side door pocket, and a digital scale in a backpack. Notably, Vanhorn was a convicted felon, rendering him ineligible to possess firearms or ammunition.

Ramsey said the three-day jury trial included testimony from both prosecution and defense witnesses. A pivotal moment arose when the defense claimed that earlier on the day of the incident, the crashed vehicle in question had just been sold by Vanhorn's wife to another Chico man. Vanhorn claimed on the stand he had heard about the crash at his home and was dropped off at the scene by a neighbor just before the police arrived. He claimed he was merely in the wrong place at the wrong time -- implying the drugs and gun must have belonged to the new owner. Vanhorn claimed on the witness stand that his statement to police at the scene that he was the driver of the crashed car was a lie he told the responding officers so the officers "would just go away."

Additionally, Ramsey said, a digital bill of sale proffered by Vanhorn's wife that supposedly showed the sale of the car occurred on the day of the crash was further examined by the trial prosecutor, Deputy District Attorney Sloan Collier, and DA computer staff. Collier found internal digital marks in the document that showed the document was actually produced months after the crash - and the alleged buyer had died two years before. The wife did not testify about the document.

Vanhorn's neighbor did testify she transported Vanhorn to the crash. However vigorous cross-examination revealed several inconsistencies in her testimony, discrepancies with the timeline of events, and an admission that she met with Vanhorn to discuss the facts of the case a week before trial.

Ramsey said Collier delivered a closing argument that not only highlighted the implausibility of Vanhorn's alibi but also the strength of the prosecution's case. "I strongly commend the diligent work of law enforcement and the unwavering dedication of our prosecution team in securing this conviction for our community," Ramsey said.

Vanhorn, who has been previously convicted of Transportation for Sales of a Controlled Substance and Felon in Possession of a Firearm in 2019, now faces 5 years in state prison. He will be sentenced on May 23 at 9:30 a.m. *

Earthquake Strikes North Valley

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - During the evening hours of Friday, April 5, residents in the north valley experienced heavy shaking after an earthquake struck near Belden.

The USGS reports that two quakes occurred almost back-to-back 6 kilometers northwest of Belden, which is located off Highway 70. The first was a 4.1 magnitude earthquake that struck at 6:34:25 PST and a second stronger 4.4 magnitude followed at 6:34:49 PST. The effects were felt as far north as Redding and as far south as Sacramento (https://earthquake.usgs. gov/earthquakes/eventpage/ nc71133194/executive).

Local Mickey Mrakusic reports that she was enjoying her evening when the couch began to shake. Living on a road with heavy traffic, she first brushed it off as a passing truck, but soon realized that strong shaking was due to the earthquake. "It was shocking!" Mrakusic says. "Growing up in LA. I was used to earthquakes. Now that I have moved up here, I am not used to it anymore!"

In the event of an earthquake, the CDC says the best course of action is to "Drop. Cover. Hold on." Their website says to drop to your knees before the quake has the opportunity to knock you down, cover your head and neck, and where possible, crawl under a table or desk to cover your body. It is wise to be mindful of falling objects and stay away from unstable furniture such as bookcases or wall-mounted shelving.

The CDC recommends staying inside during a quake and if you find yourself in a vehicle, it is best to stay in stop the car, stay inside, and set the parking brake.

For more detail tips on earthquake safety, please visit www.cdc.gov/disasters/earthquakes/during. html.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

Brandon K Giesbrecht, 2369 HWY 45, Glenn, CA 95943 Date filed in Butte County: April 4, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business

under the above business name on: N/A This Business is conducted by:

A General Partnership. NOTICÉ: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024 FARMERSFEED 5-3-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000301 The following person(s) are doing business as: Vazquez Yard and Garden Service Inc, 5271 Beverly Glen Avenue, Paradise, follows: Angelo Rodriguez to Angelo Melchor. THE COURT ORDERS that all

persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing April 24, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775

Concord Avenue Chico. CA 95928 Filed on March 13, 2024 Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the

Superior Court Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024

YESENIA 4-12-24 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV00932

Petitioner James Kevin

Mathis aka Wanda Harles.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Danielle LeClerc Klein, in the Superior Court of California. County of Butte, requesting Danielle LeClerc Klein 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: May 7, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord

CITY OF GRIDLEY PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Gridley is beginning the process to update the 2014-2022 Housing Element of the 2030 General Plan. After the adoption of the 2030 General Plan in 2010, the City created the 2009-2014 Housing Element. The Housing Element is a review of the community and identifies what the housing needs are and creates ways to meet housing for all income levels. This is the second update of the Housing Element during the life of the City's 2030 General Plan, the 6th planning cycle.

The State of California passed legislation aimed at reducing barriers thus streamlining housing construction to meet the increasing demand. The state determines how much land must be made available to build homes in each County. This is called the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) defined as a number of units that need to be provided for. The County, Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG), then determines the number of homes each city is responsible for in providing land available for housing. Cities are required to ensure that adequate land is zoned for residential use. BCAG also determines the ratio of housing that is needed related to income levels.

The unmet need allocated housing units for income levels for the 2009-2014 Housing Element determined 91 units for very low income, 17 units for low income, 180 units for moderate income, and 0 units for above moderate income. The income levels are based on the Butte County Median Income levels. The Regional Housing Needs Allocation for the 2014-2022 Housing Element created a total of 322 units for very low income, 135 units for low income, 279 units for moderate income, and 321 units for above moderate income. To date, the city has made land available to meet the number of units required. The construction of units between 2014 and 2022 reduced the low income and above moderate income units by 85 and 128, respectively. This reduction in combination with the new allocation require the City to ensure land available for residential housing be provided for a total of 1,189 units comprised of 440 very low income units, 91 low income units, 309 moderate income units and 349 above moderate income units.

The City needs to provide land area for a total of 1,189 housing units. To that end, all California local governments are required to prepare a housing element (or housing chapter of the General Plan) that specifies how the community will plan for its housing needs. The city plans for the location for additional housing units—the city does not build the units, rather, it makes sure there is land dedicated to residential uses.

CA 95969

Vazquez Yard and Garden Service Inc. 5271 Beverly Glen Avenue, Paradise, CA 95969 Date filed in Butte County: April

4, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 31, 2024

This Business is conducted by: A Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024 VAZQUEŻ 5-3-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV00615

Petitioner Yesenia Melchor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Angel Alejandro Canela to Angel Alejandro Melchor.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing April 24, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on March 13, 2024 Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024

MELCHOR 4-12-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV00616

Petitioner Yesenia Melchor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as

Olausen filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Kevin James Olausen to Kevin James Vance.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing May 15, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on March 26, 2024 Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024 OLANSEN 5-3-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME – STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000269

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitióus Business Name: Izzys Bar and Grill, 13915 Southpark Drive, Magalia, CA 95954 Randy Rash and Jini Rash, 15049 Pinehurst Way, Magalia,

CA 95954 Original filing date: 2/23/2022; Statement expires: 10/18/2026. The Registrant began transacting business on: N/A. Business conducted by: A Married Couple. Date Filed in Butte County:

March 26, 2024. This statement was filed in the office of Keaton Denlay, County Clerk of Butte County Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 20242 4-26-24

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WANDA JUANITA CHILTON AKA WANDA J. CHILTON AKA WANDA CHILTON AKA WANDA MATHIS AKA WANDA HARLES

CASE NO. 24PR00096 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Wanda Juanita Chilton aka Wanda J. Chilton aka Wanda Chilton aka Wanda Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc, P.O. Drawer 111, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-533-5661 Publish: April 12, 19, 26, 2024 4-26-24 CHILTON

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The Housing Element identifies policies and implementation measures to support additional housing. This is a community effort and it is important to hear ideas from the community to help develop the plan. It is organized around the following key issues: 1. Housing Quality 2. Housing Quantity 3. Remove Constraints to Housing 4. Affordable Housing 5. Equal Housing Opportunity 6. Natural Resources and Energy Conservation.

The city is interested in receiving comments from the community that will help provide improved policies and strategies for the 2022-2030 Housing Element Update.

The Planning Commission of the City of Gridley is holding the kick-off public meeting for the update on April 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. The public is invited to attend in person, or view by zoom to add their voice to this process. The city is working on providing links at its website to provide comments that will each be addressed.

La ciudad de Gridley está comenzando el proceso para actualizar el Elemento de Vivienda 2014-2022 del Plan General 2030. Después de la adopción del Plan General 2030 en 2010, la Ciudad creó el Elemento de Vivienda 2009-2014. El Elemento de Vivienda es una revisión de la comunidad que identifica cuáles son las necesidades de vivienda y crea formas de satisfacer la vivienda para todos los niveles de ingresos. Esta es la segunda actualización del Elemento de Vivienda durante la vigencia del Plan General 2030 de la Ciudad, el sexto ciclo de planificación.

El Estado de California aprobó legislación dirigida a reducir barreras y agilizar la construcción de viviendas para satisfacer la creciente demanda. El estado determina cuánto terreno debe ponerse a disposición para construir viviendas en cada condado. Esto se llama Asignación Regional de Necesidades de Vivienda (RHNA), definida como el número de unidades que deben proporcionarse. El Condado, la Asociación de Gobiernos del Condado de Butte (BCAG), luego determina el número de viviendas de las que cada ciudad es responsable en la provisión de terrenos disponibles para la vivienda. Las ciudades deben asegurarse de que haya suficiente terreno zonificado para uso residencial. BCAG también determina la proporción de viviendas necesarias en relación con los niveles de ingresos.

La necesidad no satisfecha de unidades de vivienda asignadas para niveles de ingresos para el Elemento de Vivienda 2009-2014 determinó 91 unidades para ingresos muy baios, 17 unidades para ingresos bajos, 180 unidades para ingresos moderados y 0 unidades para ingresos superiores moderados. Los niveles de ingresos se basan en los niveles de ingresos medios del Condado de Butte. La Asignación Regional de Necesidades de Vivienda para el Elemento de Vivienda 2014-2022 creó un total de 322 unidades para ingresos muy bajos, 135 unidades para ingresos baios, 279 unidades para ingresos moderados y 321 unidades para ingresos superiores moderados. Hasta la fecha, la ciudad ha puesto a disposición terrenos para satisfacer el número de unidades requeridas. La construcción de unidades entre 2014 y 2022 redujo las unidades de ingresos bajos y de ingresos superiores moderados en 85 y 128, respectivamente. Esta reducción, en combinación con la nueva asignación, requiere que la Ciudad asegure terrenos disponibles para viviendas residenciales para un total de 1,189 unidades, compuestas por 440 unidades de ingresos muy bajos, 91 unidades de ingresos bajos, 309 unidades de ingresos moderados y 349 unidades de ingresos superiores moderados.

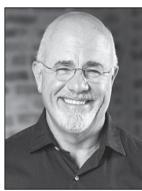
La Ciudad necesita proporcionar un área de terreno para un total de 1,189 unidades de vivienda. Con ese fin, todos los gobiernos locales de California están obligados a preparar un elemento de vivienda (o capítulo de vivienda del Plan General) que especifique cómo la comunidad planificará sus necesidades de vivienda. La ciudad planifica la ubicación de unidades de vivienda adicionales: la ciudad no construye las unidades, sino que se asegura de que haya terrenos dedicados a usos residenciales.

El Elemento de Vivienda identifica políticas y medidas de implementación para respaldar la vivienda adicional. Este es un esfuerzo comunitario y es importante escuchar ideas de la comunidad para ayudar a desarrollar el plan. Está organizado en torno a los siguientes temas clave: 1. Calidad de la Vivienda 2. Cantidad de Viviendas 3. Eliminación de Obstáculos a la Vivienda 4. Vivienda Asequible 5. Oportunidad de Vivienda Equitativa 6. Recursos Naturales y Conservación de Energía.

La ciudad está interesada en recibir comentarios de la comunidad que ayuden a proporcionar políticas y estrategias mejoradas para la Actualización del Elemento de Vivienda 2022-2030.

La Comisión de Planificación de la Ciudad de Gridley celebrará la reunión pública de inicio para la actualización el 17 de abril de 2024 a las 6:00 p.m. en las Cámaras del Concejo Municipal en 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. Se invita al público a asistir en persona o ver por zoom para agregar su voz a este proceso. La ciudad está trabajando en proporcionar enlaces en su sitio web para proporcionar comentarios que cada uno será abordado.

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You're Playing with Fire

Dear Dave,

My wife and I owe about \$40,000 on our mortgage. My father-inlaw, who is a very nice and generous man, said he wants to pay off the house for us, then let us pay him back over time. We've borrowed much smaller amounts of money from him in the past, and we were always able to repay it with no issues and no pressure. How do you feel about us taking him up on his offer?

– Seth

Dear Seth,

I understand you and your wife have been fortunate in these kinds of situations over the years. And I know your fatherin-law would probably be a lot easier to work with than a mortgage company when it comes to the size and frequency of payments. But I still think

Dave Ramsey Says

you're playing with fire if you take him up on the offer.

I assume your fatherin-law is doing pretty well financially, since he can afford to make this offer. But the downside is just too risky. If I were him, I might offer to pay off the mortgage as a gift to my daughter and sonin-law. But a loan? No way. There are no strings attached to a gift that comes from the heart.

Don't get me wrong, Seth. I'm not bad-mouthing your father-in-law. What he's making is a very generous offer, and it's an incredibly nice thing to do. But in my mind, a very important consideration is being left out of the equation, and it's a spiritual issue. The borrower is always slave to the lender. Always. And sadly enough, nowhere is that more true than within a family.

Accepting this offer could bring instant discomfort into the relationship for you and your wife. This money situation is likely to hang over things like a dark cloud. Thanksgiving, Christmas and other special occasions will feel differentand kind of weird-when you're suddenly celebrating with your mortgage lender instead of just good, old dad.

Even if you come from a reasonable, stable family, and it sounds to me like your in-laws are very good-hearted folks, this debt will always be in the back of your mind. But if you're involved with a dysfunctional or controlling family, that tension is going to be right there-constantly.

I'd thank your fatherin-law for his generosity and for the offer. But in my mind, it's just not worth the risk.

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eighttime 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

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal

Gridley United Methodist Church

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I can't do that. I'm too old, young, weak, broken, lost, or empty. What excuse do you use to get out of work, or a job God wants you to do?

Has God asked you to meet the needs of a person, a family, a group, or the community? Think how you could

do that. Maybe offer rides to the doctor, take meals to the sick or shut ins, visit a nursing home and provide company, help a person put packages in their car, set up a church service for the homeless or those in need, even baby sit or elder sit. There are many ways to help.

Our mission in this life is to live as God has stated and be of value to those around us. One thing our church does is a daily Blessing Box for food, blankets, toiletries etc. and it is in constant use. No telling how many use it for basic food needs.

Another church in town has an area where they have a community garden where people grow food for themselves but must also put some fresh grown food in a box for others to use. People even put their extra food in our Blessing Box for others. This is all done to help others in need. You could do that.

Blankets, warm socks, clothes, or coats are always needed. Start a drive in your area, at your school, or church to give to people in need. Find out from teachers what students need shoes, backpacks, coats, even food that you and friends could provide.

God just asks us to help not to solve the whole problem. Step by step in faith and with conviction each one of us can

solve small pieces of a large problem. There are many links in a chain.

If you can't get out or drive you can call or text to get people together, get people help or aid. You can be a voice of change in your area. Post positive thoughts on social media, or post where people can find help for their problems. You can post where people are needed to help others. You'll be surprised at the people who'll come to aide others if just encouraged to do so.

"Can't" should never be a word in our vocabulary. Replace it with, "It is difficult but I'll try." Remember, God will be with us when we need Him. Now what is on your mind to do? "Helping one person won't change the whole world but it could change the world for one person."

The Gridley United Methodist Church would like your help to help us change our community one day, one person at a time. We worship every Sunday at 10 am. We are located at 285 Magnolia Street. ★

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

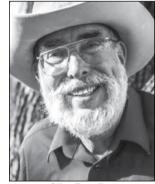
I usually write this a couple of weeks before it is published. I try to take this in to account so it doesn't feel out of whack to the reader. Anyway, I viewed the eclipse today. It looked like a bite taken out of the sun here in California. The light did change a bit. The grass was no longer shiny looking for a short while. I'm

glad I took the time to view this natural phenomenon. I'm getting older and I like to see whatever nature has to offer before my time is up.

Did a Bonsai Show in Chico over the weekend. It was very cold and windy because the show was outside. Brrrrrrrr. I used to work at being tough and not let the elements get to me. No longer! I want my warmth and comfort. It was good people watching and of course the Bonsai trees and their companion plants were extraordinary. I really wanted to buy some of the trees the sellers had but I resisted. I can for a lot less go to a nursery, or dig up little trees in

my yard. Once you learn how to make the trees (or at least for me) I get too cheap to buy them. It's a great hobby for a gardener that is beginning to have trouble with the bigger and heavier parts of gardening.

This is such a great growing time. Everything is not yet out of control, the green is still fresh, the flowers are eager. Loveliness all around. All my baby plants for the Green Thumb Garden Club plant sale on Red Suspender's Day are looking healthy and sweet. I have a few I'm going to dig out of the yard and pot up for sale also. It is a nice time of year for gardeners.



Slim Randles

Spring mornings are a lot like Christmas. Each day we get up and go out into the yard, or walk along the creek or visit the horses in the pasture. And each day, each morning, we find something new the sun has brought us. Pinfeather leaves of an unbelievable green now start showing on cottonwoods that have stood like stark ghostly frames all through the cold winter. Hopeful blades of grass peek through clumps of brown left over from last summer's verdant pasture. Everywhere we look there is something new and different.

An April Morning can make us want to Sing

accused of being ... well ... poetic if we told people why we were really carrying that coffee cup out into the yard. So we say lame things like "I think I'll get some of that fresh air this morning." What we really mean, of course, is "I want to see if Richardson's bay mare has had that foal yet." Some of us have worked very hard last fall and winter to prepare for this spring. By grafting. OK, we have a Granny Smith apple tree. Let's see if we can't get a branch of Rome Beauties or Jonagolds to grow on it, too. And we understand completely that where we live no olive tree can survive the winter. That isn't supposed to stop us from trying, is it?

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY

can't take the temperatures we get. This little tree needs soil with more organic matter in it.

And those challenges are the stuff winter dreams are made of. We do the best we can to cure the lack, the freeze, the drought, and then we wait for April. We wait impatiently until we can come out of the house some morning and check the grafts on the apple tree and see tiny green leaves coming on the grafted branch. We search the bare ground where we planted that new kind of seed that won't grow here - to see if it'll grow here. It is a continuing feast of green, a triumph of anticipation. An April morning can make us want to sing. Your cat won't eat anything? Maybe you could use free singing lessons. https:// www.youtube.com/@ 30DaySinger.



State, Federal Agencies Increase 2024 Water Allocations

State and federal water providers have increased promised allocations after accounting for recent storms that improved snowpack and reservoir levels. The California Department of Water Resources doubled the amount of water it expects to deliver this year to most contractors that rely on the State Water Project from 15% to 30% of requested supplies. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation increased Central Valley Project allocations for south-of-delta agricultural water users from 15% to 35% of their contracted allotment and from 75% to 100% for those north of the delta.

Dairy Industry Eyes Continued Steps to **Curb Methane Emissions**

With a construction boom of methane digester projects on California dairy farms in recent years, milk producers have begun to reduce a powerful greenhouse gas emitted by the manure coming from their cows. Now they must tackle the methane coming from the front end of their animals. Cow burps emit what's known as enteric methane, and the race to reduce it represents a new frontier for the dairy industry. The California Dairy Sustainability Summit in Davis last week shed light on some of the latest innovations in feed, genetics and vaccines showing promise.

United Kingdom Suspends Tariffs on **Almond Imports**

The Almond Board of California is praising the United Kingdom's announcement that it will suspend tariffs for at least two years on raw kernel and in-shell almonds from the U.S. and other countries. The tariffs-4% on in-shell almonds and 2% on raw kernels-have been in place since the UK left the European Union in 2021. They are to be lifted on April 11. The tariff suspension is expected to save UK almond importers about \$4 million a year, allowing them to offer a more competitive price on raw California almonds to UK processors and ultimately to consumers.

Judy Culbertson, Guiding Force of 'Ag in the Classroom,' Retires

Judy Culbertson, executive director of the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom, has retired after more than 40 years of guiding the organization. Ag in the Classroom provides educational resources to about 1 million students and thousands of teachers each year. California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross praised Culbertson for her dedication to agricultural education. "Judy has touched so many lives of children, teachers and parents...who have benefitted from her passionate commitment to ag literacy," Ross said.



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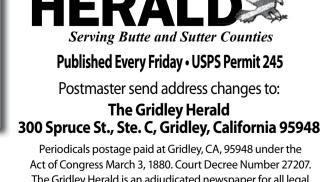
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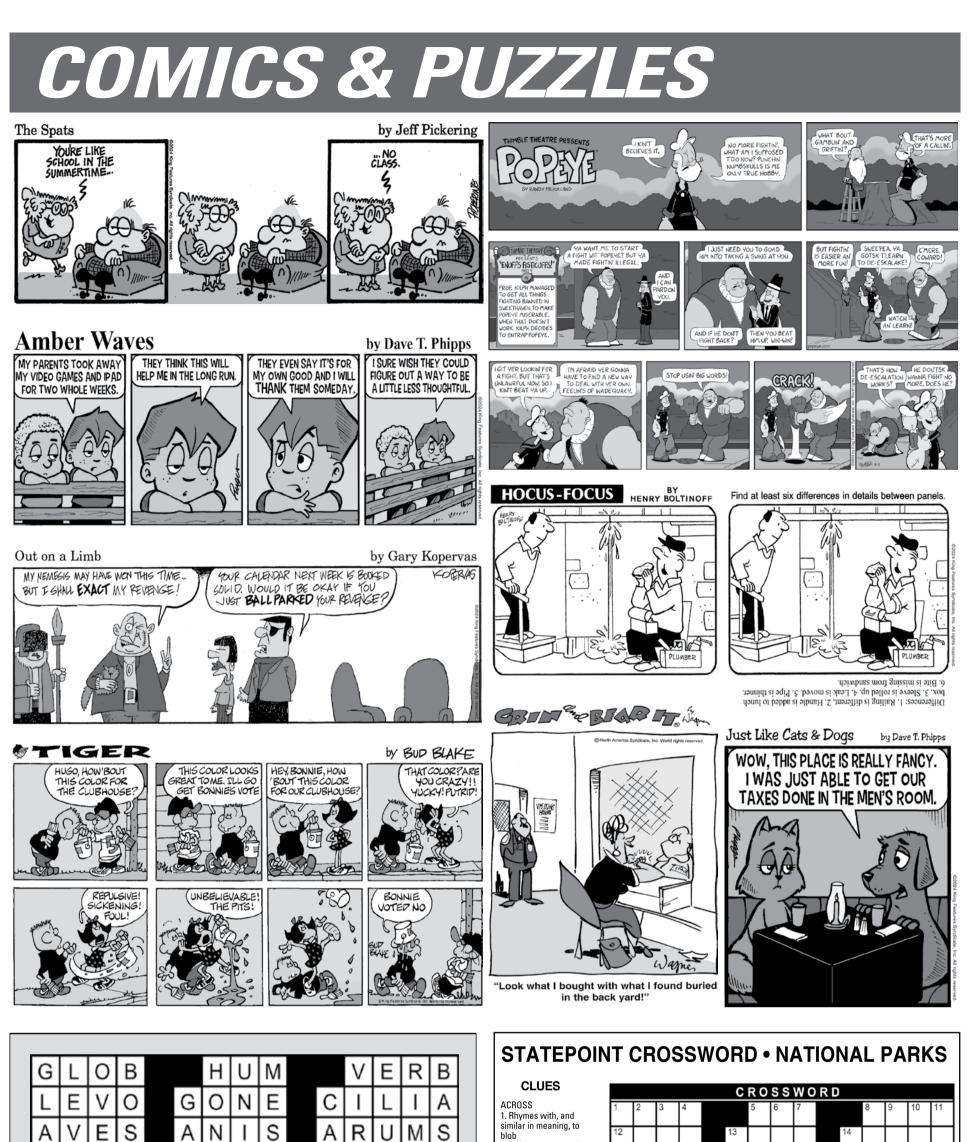
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Gridley's Marr and Kullar Named to First Team All-NSCIF

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Two Gridley basketball players received the honors of being named to the California Interscholastic Federation All-Northern Section team

The athletes were selected by a compilation panel by the Appeal Democrat, Enterprise-Record (Chico), Red Bluff Daily News, Redding Record Searchlight and MaxPreps.

Gridley senior forward Aaron Kullar and junior forward Brook Marr were both named to the first team for both the boys and girls first team selections.

Kullar and Marr were also named Butte View League most valuable players during the regular season.

Kullar led the Gridley boys in points per game (18.3), rebounds (8.6) and blocks (1.1). Kullar also led the BVL with 13 double-doubles.

Marr led the Gridley girls program to a four-way tie for the BVL championship in the regular season.

Marr finished in the top 30 nationally for her 24 double-doubles and 20th nationally with 6.3 blocks per game, according to MaxPreps.

Additionally, her 20.8 points per game and 13 rebounds were top 5 in the NS.

The Herald met up with Kullar and Marr. and instead of a traditional list of statistics, we took a different approach of getting to recognize the athletes for their well-deserved accomplishment.

Question and Answers with Kullar and Marr

Herald: What is a game-day superstition must have?

Marr: I need to have the same pair of spandex for home games and the same pair for away games.

Kullar: I have to take a nap before every game, the one time I didn't get a nap, I had a bad game and only scored seven points.

Herald: What is the perfect game-day snack or meal?

Marr: A turkey sandwich with tomatoes and pickles.

Kullar: Fruit, I always have a



Gridley senior forward Aaron Kullar (23) and junior forward Brook Marr were both named All-NSCIF First Team Selections and Butte View League Most Valuable Players.



Gridley senior Aaron Kullar (23) shoots a three-pointer in the Bulldogs' win over Orland in the NSCIF Division IV playoffs on February 21.

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kiwi, banana and strawberries.

Herald: What was the most difficult road game you played in this season? Marr: Bear River because the

roads were windy on the way there and it was a tough game.

Kullar: Orland because the students in their crowd knew our names, they were talking to us the entire game and tried to get in our heads, but it was a fun game.

Herald: What is the best part of being a Gridley Bulldog?

Marr: All of the support from the teammates and the coaches.

Kullar: Representing our small community. Everyone is close to one another, so it's always been nice playing for my hometown.

Herald: What was the best advice you received from a coach this season?

Marr: Don't try and force anything, focus on the defense and rebounding and the points will come later.

Kullar: To keep my head up and keep going forward because you are going to have a lot of ups and downs. Not every day is going to be good or vice versa, so just keeping a level head and moving forward.

Herald: What is your game-day music playlist?



Junior forward Brook Marr blocks a shot with 2.7 seconds in regulation over Las Plumas on January 23, to secure a 37-35 win for the Lady Bulldogs.

Marr: A lot of 90's and early 2000's crunk rap music.

Kullar: I listen to a lot of Drake before games.

Herald: What is a goal you want to accomplish this offseason to improve your game?

Marr: Shoot more consistently from the outside, specifically from the top of the three and on the wings

Kullar: I want to put on 10 pounds before I get to college (University of California, Merced) and become more mobile to become quicker and more athletic.

Herald: What was your favorite moment from the 2023-24 season?

Marr: When I scored my1000th point and everyone tackled me.

Kullar: Winning the section title because we were down and it was rewarding because all the hard work paid off.

Biggs Boys' Basketball Head Coach Roscoe Deel was given the Coach of the Year award in the Northern Section and also received the honor for the Mid-Valley League Coach of the Year for the boys as he won the CIF NS Division VI title and had the first plus-.500 in the program since the 2015-16 season.

Girls All-League Selections

Gridley senior guard AnaGloria Luevano was named to the Butte View League team.

Live Oak senior guard Lilliana Vivian received the honor from the Sacramento Valley League.

Biggs had two seniors in Addie Scott and Kloe Seipert receive the honor of making the All Mid-Valley team.

Boys All-League Selections

Gridley junior guard Luis Murillo and senior guard Travis Boyd were named to the All-BVL team.

Biggs had four players named to the All-MVL team including senior forwards Chase McLean and Emilio Vera. Vera was named the MVP of the MVL.

Wolverines junior guard Brady Smith and sophomore forward Skyler Long also made the allleague team.



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