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## Master of the Chorus

*Dr. Kendrick Retires from Sacramento State after 33 Years of Teaching*

*Special to MPG*

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - "Singing is a joyous experience," explained Dr. Donald Kendrick. "Choral music prepares you for life."

In August 1985, Dr. Kendrick accepted the position of Director of Choral Activities at Sacramento State University. For the past 33 years, this energetic Canadian has worked diligently to create an awareness of choral and orchestral music via three important pillars of our society - the Community, the State and the Church.

"33 years is a long time," admitted Dr. Kendrick. "I have seen so many students come together to perform beautifully."

Don's final gift for his 110 students and community members in his three Sacramento State choirs will be to provide them with an opportunity to partner with the Sacramento Choral Society & Orchestra. The students will have the rare chance to sing with a professional orchestra at the SCSO's season finale on Saturday, May 12 at the Sacramento Community Center Theater: Praise and Jubilation.

Kendrick lovingly refers to this SCSO season finale as his downtown Sacramento State retirement party. There will be a post-concert reception in the Sacramento Community Center Theater lobby following the final performance.

This unique performance will



**Dr. Don Kendrick and SCSO's season finale is on Saturday, May 12 at the Sacramento Community Center Theater: Praise and Jubilation.** Photo by Ronnie Johnson

also feature the Sacramento Children's Chorus Director Alexander Grambow. The musical forces on stage will include 280 singers, three soloists and a 52-member professional orchestra. The main fare on the program is a West Coast premiere of American composer Dan Forrest's stunning Jubilate

Deo. This work was only recently premiered in Carnegie Hall in 2016.

The rousing performance will feature seven languages with projected supertitle translations. The work brings to life the global aspect of the traditional Psalm 100 text "O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands" by setting

it in seven different languages and drawing from a wide spectrum of musical influences. Each movement combines some characteristics of its language-group's musical culture with the composer's own musical language.

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## Water Spots Video Contest Winners Announced

*Will Rogers Middle School,  
Franklin High School and Whitney  
High School Take Top Honors*

*By Regional Water Authority*

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The Regional Water Authority is pleased to announce the winners of the 2018 Water Spots Video Contest.

Winning videos were among the 100 submitted by middle and high school students from throughout the Sacramento region. Videos explored what it means to be an H2O Hero, the contest's 2018 theme. Expert judges narrowed videos down to 10 finalists and then selected the top three winners for "Judge's Choice" awards. The public then voted for their favorite to receive the "People's Choice" award.

Expert judges included Kathleen Dodge from the Tahoe Film Commission and Rita Schmidt Sudman, senior consultant for the Water Education Foundation and author of the book Water: More or Less. The selections were based on creativity, entertainment value, accuracy, originality and incorporation of the 2018 water efficiency message.

In addition, three teachers that submitted the most videos will be presented with Amazon gift cards. These include Matt Rowland, Arden Middle School in Sacramento (25 videos), Jason Cummings, Rio Linda High School in Sacramento (25 videos), and  
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## Fair Oaks EcoHousing Receives Environmental Leadership Award

*By Marty Maskall,  
Fair Oaks EcoHousing*

**FAIR OAKS, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Environmental Commission presented Fair Oaks EcoHousing with an award for outstanding environmental leadership. The project was one of eight projects honored in April. The picture shows the award presenter Margie Namba and community members Marty, Michelle, and Alan.

Fair Oaks EcoHousing is currently under construction on New York Avenue near Fair Oaks Blvd. The cohousing community will have 30 privately-owned townhomes clustered around shared open space and extensive common facilities. A large central clubhouse is the heart of the neighborhood for a variety of activities, including shared meals several times a week. Cars are kept to the area of the site, thus making the neighborhood pedestrian-friendly and safe for children. "I'm looking forward to

living in a friendly and sustainable neighborhood close to Fair Oaks Village," says Marty Maskall. Move-in in schedule for Spring 2019. Fair Oaks EcoHousing is welcoming prospective residents at free site tours. For more information, visit [www.FairOaksEcoHousing.org](http://www.FairOaksEcoHousing.org).

At the awards presentation, the audience was inspired to see the range and quality of the projects. The other winners included a Girl Scout troop who created a community garden at St. Mary School, two solar projects, the American River Parkway Adopt a Mile program, the Sacramento River Parkway Bike Trail, CSUS sustainability, and Florin Creek Park enhancements. The Sacramento Environmental Commission recognizes residents, businesses, and organizations of Sacramento County and its cities who demonstrate outstanding efforts to improve the environment and encourage others to get involved. For more



**Marty Maskall, Michelle Wood and Alan Albrecht of Fair Oaks EcoHousing and Margie Namba of the Sacramento Environmental Commission.**

information about the program, visit <http://www.emd.saccounty.net/SEC/Pages/EnvironmentalAwards.aspx>. They

are looking for nominees for next year, so if you know of a group deserving an award, please contact them. ★



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# Golden State Killer Update

# Sacramento Sheriff Receives "Smart 50" Award for Homeless Outreach

By Rich Peters, MPG Editor

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - After coming up empty for four decades, detectives finally caught their suspect in the case of the Golden State Killer/East Area Rapist last month. Since the arrest of 72-year-old Joseph James DeAngelo Jr. of Citrus Heights an abundance of information has flooded news streams, but none bigger than law enforcement’s usage of ancestry websites to finally track down the alleged serial killer.

The FBI’s access of DNA websites like ancestry.com and 23andme.com poses as a hot topic



DeAngelo's booking photo compared to a 1970's facial composite of the East Area Rapist suspect.

in its own right, which will eventually lead to a new direction in forensics, followed by new state and federal laws. But breaking down barriers and changing laws is nothing new in the case and search of the Golden State Killer and questions surrounding the controversial methods are already pointing at tracking down and solving the heinous crimes committed by the state’s other terrifying murderer at large, the Zodiac Killer.

Since the arrest of DeAngelo, additional crimes have already been linked to him with more likely to come. The November 1978 slaying of Rhonda Wicht and her young son Donald wrongfully sent Craig Coley to prison for almost 40 years. Coley, who was dating Wicht at the time of the murder, was convicted and served time in prison until he was pardoned last November after Ventura County prosecutors no longer believed he committed the horrific crime because his DNA didn’t match samples at the scene.

Now authorities suspect that DNA might match up to DeAngelo. “It’s within the realm of possibility that he could be a suspect in our case,” said Simi Valley Deputy Chief Joseph May. “We’ve made a request for a DNA comparison to find out if the DNA they recovered from Mr. DeAngelo is consistent with the DNA that we have in our case.”

On Thursday, May 3 Sacramento Superior Court Judge Michael Sweet ruled that there is no basis for stopping a search warrant, as requested by public defender Diane Howard, so the prosecution may collect additional DNA, finger prints and photos of DeAngelo’s anatomy.

No cameras were allowed in the courtroom. DeAngelo was once again handcuffed to a wheelchair. He is still on the Psychiatric floor on heavy watch.

His next court appearance is set for May 14. ★

By Sergeant Shaun Hampton, Sheriff's Spokesman

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - In late March 2018, the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department was recognized by the Smart 50 Awards for implementing comprehensive and innovative strategies in working with our local homeless population and finding resources to address homelessness in our communities.

The Smart 50 Awards, in partnership with Smart Cities Connect, Smart Cities Connect Foundation, and US Ignite, annually recognize global smart cities projects, honoring the most innovative and influential work. This year, primary categories included governance, mobility, energy, citizen life, and networks.

The Sacramento Sheriff’s Department Homeless Outreach Team and Technical Operations Unit worked with software developer TerraGo to develop a mobile application to assist in reaching the homeless in our community. The application not only improves the quality of information for Sheriff’s Department services but also makes detailed homeless data available to our partner agencies for smarter services and policy-making. Here is how it works.

This project provides digital transformation of field reporting procedures and by making outreach data readily available to community partners. It will improve near-term and long-term outcomes for homeless individuals, families, and the community. The application replaces paper

forms and manual processes with smart mobile questionnaires and digital workflows. The mobile reporting app provides significant efficiency improvements for field officers over paper forms, manual data entry, and spreadsheets that were used previously. One of the most important benefits is

**“ This project provides digital transformation of field reporting procedures and by making outreach data readily available to community partners. It will improve near-term and long-term outcomes for homeless individuals, families, and the community. ”**

**SERGEANT SHAUN HAMPTON**  
SACRAMENTO COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S SPOKESMAN

the improvement of knowledge retention and information sharing as opposed to relying on the experience of individual officers. In the past, an officer’s retirement or transfer to another assignment often meant the loss of a great deal of community knowledge regarding people in crisis and what services might be effective for assistance.

The ability to share detailed data on homeless individuals and families to our partner agencies, such as the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance, Sacramento Steps

Forward, and California State University, Sacramento Institute of Social Research, enables insights and intelligence that will help provide optimal services and education beyond traditional baseline enforcement. Policies, education, and enforcement can be better shaped with data-driven facts to prevent homelessness and provide transition programs.

Questions such as primary and secondary reasons for homelessness, duration of homelessness, addiction to drugs or alcohol, treatment programs, education level, sources of income, willingness to accept assistance, and more will allow the Sheriff’s Department Homeless Outreach Team and our partner agencies to create custom-tailored responses and strategies to provide services.

The Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department Technical Operations team had already deployed hundreds of mobile devices as part of an ongoing strategy to transition to paperless reporting and enable mobile collaboration in the field. The Homeless Outreach Team mobile application now provides cloud-based collaboration and field data collection that is more efficient provides continuously improving data-driven knowledge and enables data analytics to identify solutions to problems, both near-term and long-term.

The Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department is proud of this achievement and continues to seek out additional technological advances to improve services to everyone in our communities. ★

**The Grapevine**  
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**Suspected murderers**

A third sweep through the Rancho Cordova neighborhood where Brian and Katy Maggioro were suddenly and cruelly shot to death Feb. 2 has brought no further evidence on the identity of the killers or a motive for the shocking crime.

In cooperation with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, The Grapevine is printing likenesses of the suspected killers who were seen by at least two witnesses as they climbed over a fence.

According to Sgt. Don Haebecker of the County Sheriff's Office, the investigation still leans heavily toward a suspicion the men are military personnel.

The sweep through the area of the killing near the West La Loma and Folsom Blvd. intersection was made since there is the possibility the pair may reside in the immediate area. They were not seen again after the killing and virtually disappeared into thin air.

The 23-year old Maggioro and his wife, 20, were believed to be walking their dog when they were accosted on La Gloria Way in the Cordova Meadows area. They ran through a yard of a La Gloria residence and into the backyard of the La Alegria property. The fence was down. Brian was shot in the back in the backyard of the La Alegria property and Katy was shot in the head as she attempted to get through a front gate onto La Alegria.

**Laguna petitions circulated**

Members of the Committee for a Quiet Neighborhood began circulating petitions last week in the neighborhoods heavily impacted by the noise from the Laguna Grand Prix Raceway bordering highway 50.

Early returns indicated the carriers were obtaining over 90 percent success in gaining signatures on the petition which protests the noise from the raceway.

The petitions will be delivered to the County Board of Supervisors as evidence of the growing resistance to the constant drone of the race cars. The Committee received an answer to their request for a place on the agenda of the Board of Supervisors when Clerk of the Board, Betty Poohar, notified the Committee they will be heard at 10 a.m., Monday, April 10, in the Board Chamber Room.

Facial composites and details from the Maggioro murders in the March 22, 1978 issue of the Rancho Cordova Grapevine Independent.

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# Fiesta Fun in Fair Oaks

By Dot Boyd, Ambassador  
Chair Fair Oaks Chamber

**FAIR OAKS, CA (MPG)** - Sunday, May 6 was a Chamber of Commerce “postcard kind of day” for the 69th Annual Fair Oaks Fiesta. Streets were lined with some 275 beautiful classic cars, representing decades of America’s ingenuity and innovation. Plaza Park was filled with all sorts of craft vendors, local businesses, service groups, our two Honorary Mayor candidates and a great vibe.

It wouldn’t be Fair Oaks Fiesta without the “world famous” Toilet Bowl Race! Thank you goes out to Jim Racy for creating this hilarious, one of a kind race twenty-five years ago. If you’ve never seen it, imagine a toilet mounted on a go-cart style contraption with a rider “sitting on the pot” being pushed by two runners on an obstacle course. Defending champion FO Rec and Park District won again with the speediest racer.

A big thank you to our



The streets of Fair Oaks were lined with 275 beautiful classic cars, representing decades of America’s ingenuity and innovation. Photo courtesy Dot Boyd

generous sponsors: Kimball Midwest, G and T Truck Repair, SMUD, Safeway, Nautilus Tea Company, Fair Oaks Deli and Fair Oaks Carpet Cleaning. Bob’s Cycle Center and other FOCC members donated raffle prizes valued over \$2,000. We could not host such a fantastic event without our numerous volunteers, which included our members, youth ambassadors, Clean & Sober Living, Orangevale Grange, FO Cemetery, FO Rec & Park

District, and Del Campo Jr. ROTC.

Last but not least, hats off to FOCC Executive Director Kim Pitillo, husband Joe Pitillo and their family for their commitment to the Fiesta and the car show. Here’s to number 70 next year!!

Next up: The 25th Annual Taste of Fair Oaks on Friday, June 8th at North Ridge Country Club.

Please visit our event calendar at [www.fairoakschamber.com](http://www.fairoakschamber.com)  
See you in Fair Oaks! ★

## Orangevale Pow Wow Days Town and Country Fair Scheduled

By Orangevale  
Chamber of Commerce

**ORANGEVALE, CA (MPG)** - Sunshine, suntans, sunglasses and the Orangevale Pow Wow Days are almost upon us!

The annual Orangevale Pow Wow Days Town and Country Fair, scheduled for June 1 to June 3 will live on the Orangevale Community Park.

Sponsored by SMUD, admission to the event is free and perfect for the entire family. More shade has been added this year, along with more fun,

games and activities than ever before!

Headlining the event Friday will be Arise Roots. The evening’s festivities will also play host to a Laser Light show sponsored by Hot 103.5 and fun for all ages.

Saturday will showcase more bands including Ashley Barron, Cash Prophets and the Ariel Jean Band. Sunday will have Latin Touch Band.

Other highlights throughout the weekend include a Punt, Pass and Kick competition hosted by Casa Roble Jr

Rams, a parade, a second stage covered kids area filled with entertainment from 12 pm – 4 pm Saturday and Sunday.

Other attractions include a Crafter Corner, food vendors, petting zoo, corn hole tournament, rides, kids zone and more!

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The Fair Oaks Cemetery District and the Memorial Day Ceremony Committee are finalizing plans for one of the most popular and inspiring Memorial Day events in the area.

The twentieth Annual Memorial Day and Avenue of Flags Ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 26 th , at Fair Oaks Cemetery, located at 7780 Olive St., Fair Oaks. The formal ceremonies begin at 10 a.m.

This year’s theme is to honor our Military Chaplains from all wars. Some of the first chaplains were appointed in the late 1800’s. Many more were commissioned during World War II. More than 400 chaplains have died while serving in the U.S. military.

The Chairman of the Fair Oaks Cemetery District’s Memorial Day Committee, Bob Clouse, will be the Master of Ceremonies. The main speaker(s) will focus on the history and facts of the United States Military Chaplains.

The Fair Oaks Cemetery will be decorated with over 400 American flags lining its roadways as “The Avenue of Flags”. We will also be adding more names to the Veterans Memorial Wall.

The laying of the wreath at the Memorial, in honor of over 1800 Veterans who are buried in the cemetery, will be done by VFW Post 6158 and American Legion Post 383.

The musical program will consist of Pipers, a Drummer, and recorded music provided by a local Disc Jockey. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony, provided by the Orangevale/Fair Oaks Grange and the Fair Oaks Historical Society.

The Fair Oaks Cemetery’s Memorial Day Ceremony is a fine example of how we, the community, remember our loved ones and say thank you to our Veterans and their families for their sacrifices.

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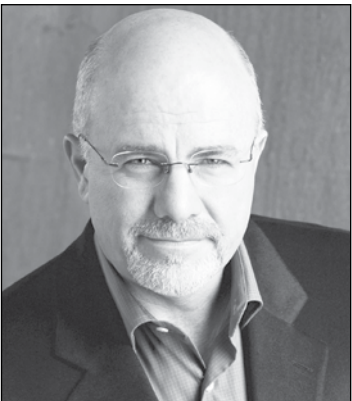
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—Dave

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When it comes to buying a home, Laura, I always advise folks to first be debt-free and have an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses set aside.

—Dave

*Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.* ★

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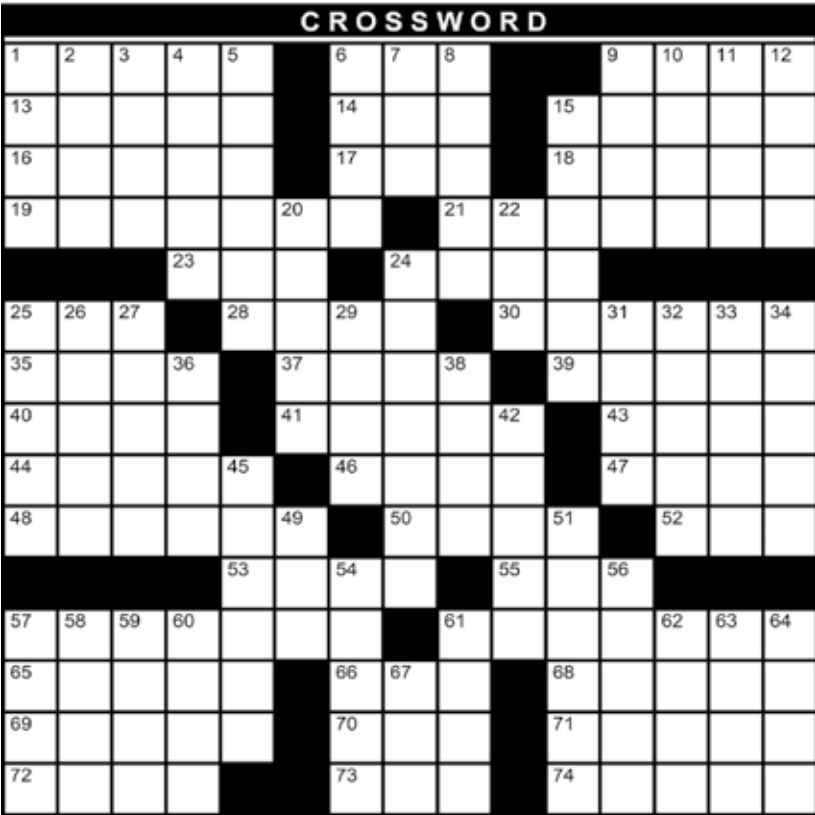
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##### ACROSS

- Dog show outcasts
- Pose a question
- Mr. Potato Head, e.g.
- \_\_\_\_\_ tower
- Holstein sound
- Liable to cry
- Was rebroadcast
- Pilot's deadline
- Packers QB
- \*Where ATMs have instructions in Latin
- Army bathroom
- Surf turf
- "At \_\_\_\_\_, soldier!"
- Pat
- University head
- Pre-wedding agreement
- Caspian Sea river
- Like the fairy tale duckling
- Pore in a leaf
- Hindu Mr.
- Intrudes
- Month before Nisan
- Perpendicular to the keel
- "Pronto!"
- Highway hauler
- Magazine collection
- Bike maker
- Bro's counterpart
- Start of a conclusion
- Look through a scope
- \*Popular all-inclusive location, pl.
- \*Where to visit "the happiest place on Earth"
- Yokel's holler
- Crematorium jar
- Dip a \_\_\_\_\_ the water
- General direction
- Be indisposed
- Jagged
- Trees on Freddy Krueger's street
- Spade for stony ground
- Roller derby turf, pl.

##### DOWN

- Type of nuclear missile
- Eye layer
- Legal wrong
- \*Orient Express, e.g.
- On the same page
- Echoed by the flock
- Chronic drinker
- \*Down Under marsupial
- Scorch
- \_\_\_\_\_ wig or \_\_\_\_\_ wrinkle
- \*Middle name of Shakespeare's hometown
- Unit of force
- \*Taking the \_\_\_\_\_, or going to Baden-Baden
- Consumed
- Pharaoh's cobra
- Joins the military
- \*Location of world's tallest building
- Omani and Yemeni
- \*\_\_\_\_\_ in Toyland
- \*Where to see Taj Mahal
- #17 Across, pl.
- Source of lymphocytes, pl.
- Savory sensation
- \*Chunnel ride from London
- \*Party in Maui
- \*Sydney Harbour is one of first to ring in the new one
- Ancient fishing tool
- Modus operandi
- Female pronoun
- In working order
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- Memory unit
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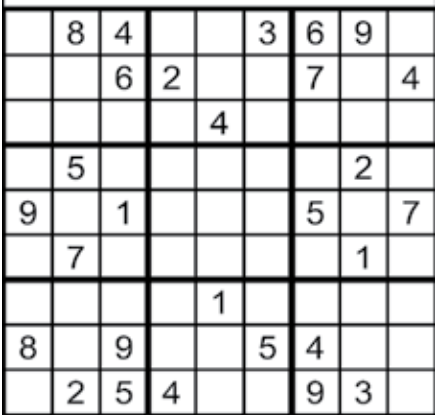
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Those were amazing words spoken by Norman Vincent Peale many years ago. Reading them today sparked something within me, never thought about before and asked this question of myself “Am I really?” Possibly you are now asking that same question!

Today we hear the world around us questioning the sovereignty of

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God, not really knowing much about the depth of His plan of creation, love or redemption. They don’t know He is real and powerful to overcome the tactics of His enemy of doubt and lies.

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God is a God of perfection and when He created man/woman/animals/insects and every living thing, we were created with inner organs with the ability to procreate. Each a baby in their own likeness and aren’t each the truly a “miracle”? Yes, Each one of us are a Miracle birthed in the heart of a loving God.

*In His Love, Christian Author of 7 Books ARM Columnist since 2006 Books: “God Moves Mountains, It was a Miracle!” – “Recipes for a Happier Marriage” – “Senior Gleanings” – “Messages in the Dust for the Searching Soul” (all \$20 shipped) P.O. Box 114, Orangevale, Ca 95662 Marlysjn@gmail.com*

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By Pastor Ray Dare

The walk of faith is not a walk that doesn’t include struggle and difficulty. I wish I could tell you that it didn’t. But it includes adversities that we all have to face. And what you need to understand is, God will use what you go through to bring you out stronger and greater, with a greater commitment toward Him.

God doesn’t cause the problem. The storms of life are impartial. Rain falls on everyone. So, when troubles happen it’s no time to blame God and whine and cry and say, “Why me God?” and get bitter. It’s no time for that. It’s time to get stronger spiritually. It’s time to stay in church. It’s time to be more devoted to God, to turn your attention toward God.

You see many times the struggle is what gives us strength. Many times, that’s the way God

## Pastor Ray's Encouraging Words

### Let the Struggle Make You Stronger

has ordained it. God wants to use the problem. So, in your struggle, in your difficulty, don’t run away from God. Use the struggle as a stepping stone to get closer to God.

In Psalms 4:1, David said, “*Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness, you have enlarged me when I was in distress.*” I want to call your attention to that phrase: “*you have enlarged me when I was in distress.*” In your tough time, in the storms of life, when things aren’t going your way, you need to understand how God can enlarge you, how He can enlarge your confidence, enlarge your strength, enlarge your faith, enlarge your commitment to Him. But understand this; God enlarges you when you enlarge Him.

David said in Psalm 34:3 (KJV) “*O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt his name together.*” Do you know what magnify means? To magnify means “to make bigger or to enlarge in perspective.” When you magnify something, you don’t change its reality; you change your perception of its reality in your life. So, if you magnify your problems, you’re


not changing how big they are, you’re changing your perception of how big they are. When you magnify God, you’re not changing how big He is; you’re changing how you perceive Him. How much bigger He is in your own life. And it’s so important in the storms of life to magnify God and don’t magnify your problem.

Today, you may be in a terrible situation and in a lot of pain. I’m sorry, I’m sorry that you’re hurting. You’re sitting in a terrible problem. I want you to know if you keep your faith, keep your faith in God, keep your eyes on Him, you could be right around the corner from greatest growth or the greatest victory that you’ve ever seen. Right around the corner. You must use the struggle to help you grow stronger. Magnify the Lord in your life, by reading your Bible, praying, memorizing and meditating Scripture. And as you do, He will enlarge your faith, your strength and your peace.

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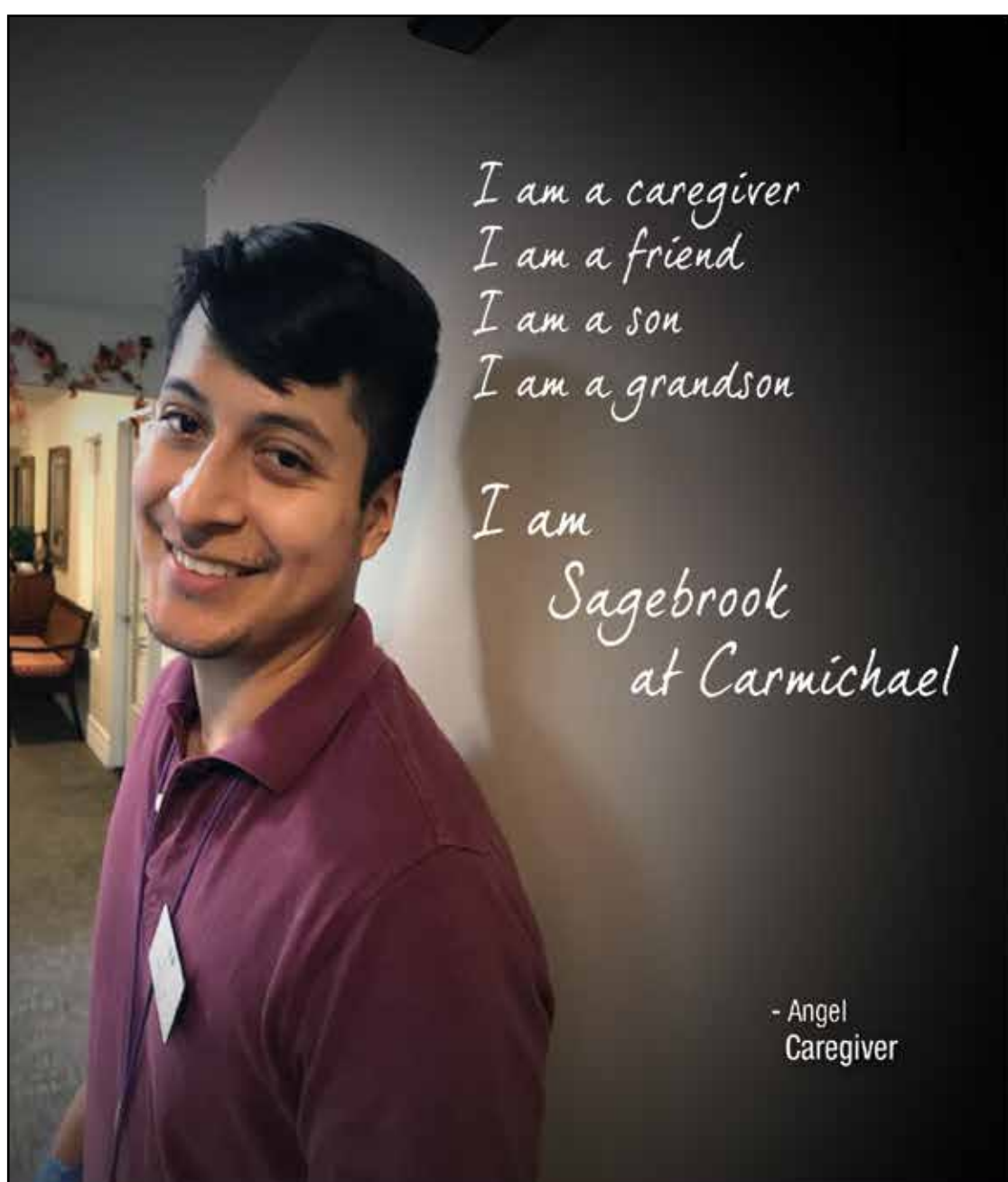


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with **Mary Jane Popp**

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Now where do we go from here? Action speaks louder than words. Let's start with a phone call that tells mom you care about what is going on in her life. Your caring voice and patient listening can mean so much so much because it says you really want to know how she feels, no matter what you think personally about what she tells you. If you want to take mom out, it doesn't have to be so pricey. Maybe a funky new place with delectables that she remembers from her growing up years might just be the

ticket. As a matter of fact, why not try some fun things like freezing edible flowers with water in ice cube trays? It will certainly warm her heart. Instead of a bouquet of flowers that will fade quickly, plant her favorite bedding plant in an inexpensive basket complete with ribbons. It will last all year when planted. Maybe a simple handmade card with the promise to do some chores around the house or some shopping she needs to do. And it all counts so much more because you did it with your own hands.

You see? It doesn't take big bucks! All it takes is a little imagination that truly says "love you mom." That brings me to perhaps the most important thing you can do for your mom. Tell her how much you love and appreciate her NOW. Trust me when I tell you how time flies by, and all of a sudden, your opportunity to say those words will be gone. I wish my mom was still here so I could share those simple but special words with her! **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!★**



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Before you reach for that can of bug spray to defend your garden, please consider these less toxic steps to ward off pests:

## Know your Friends

Many bugs are not pests and may actually be beneficial because they control other bugs or pollinate flowers. For example ladybugs, both adults and larvae, are known primarily as predators of aphids. Parasitoid wasps are also keen hunters of aphids and caterpillars. You may not like spiders, but they can also be the best sentry to keep your plants safe. Knowing which bugs are friends or pests is the first step in managing pests wisely. The UC Statewide Integrated Pest Management Program ([www.ipm.ucanr.edu](http://www.ipm.ucanr.edu)) offers ideas about natural enemies to pervasive pests.

- o **Less Is More**

Chemicals in your yard kill both good and bad bugs. For pest or weeds, use less-toxic or non-toxic methods to keep garden-friendly bugs on your side and unwanted bugs under control. The Our Water Our World Program offers simple ideas online at [ourwaterourworld.org](http://ourwaterourworld.org). You can also look for convenient eco-friendly options at your local garden or hardware supply store. The Our Water Our World Program partners with stores to help consumers find less-toxic products for use in their homes and gardens.

- **Attraction is Essential**

Attract and keep beneficial bugs in your yard and let them do the work for you! You should plant flowers and shrubs that attract good bugs to your garden. There won't be a need for chemicals when the good bugs can keep the "bad bugs" under control. Unwanted bugs will always be in your garden but a healthy garden filled with good bugs will minimize pests. The UC Statewide Integrated Pest Management Program ([www.ipm.ucanr.edu](http://www.ipm.ucanr.edu)) has dozens of ideas for finding the right plants to control pests around your home and in the garden.

- Choose Plants Wisely

Select pest and disease resistant plants as well as plants that attract good bugs to keep a healthy balance of garden friends close by. Plants like rosemary, zinnia and coyote brush make great additions to the yard. Plants that are native to your area will adapt best to the climate, making them stronger and healthier.

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# CAGOP Convention Winner: Lt. Governor Candidate Cole Harris

**Commentary**  
**by Jon Fleischman**



The California Republican Party's state convention is now in the rear-view mirror and the election is upon us. Millions of absentee ballots are being mailed out today and Californians will start voting later this week. There are a lot of observations to be made about the weekend con-fab - but out the gate I am going to name the clear big winner of the convention - businessman Cole Harris, who is running for Lt.

Governor of California - and who is now the officially endorsed candidate of the State GOP. Harris wins the FlashReport Winner of the Convention honors for two reasons. The first was his ability to run a strong enough effort before and at the convention to garner the support of more than 70% of the delegates as a virtual unknown. Harris announced his candidacy late, and has had to define himself in short-order with the party faithful. The second reason is that, unlike the other

candidates who were endorsed at the convention, Harris (because his success in business gives him the ability to self-fundraise with millions of dollars) has the ability to use direct voter contact tools (mailers, digital messages and such) to let likely Republican voters know that he's been endorsed by the CRP - a very useful tool, targeted to GOP voters, when you are a first time candidate, and unknown to the electorate. Look for his television and cable spots to be non-partisan, with messaging to appeal to California's no party preference voters, and less ideologically inclined Democrats.

While much prognostication is taking place about who will make the top two in the Governor's race - with a significant chance that no Republican advances - Harris is well positioned to make the runoff in his race. While there are other GOP candidates, none are well known and none have the financial resources of Harris, and obviously



**Cole Harris is a Republican candidate for lieutenant governor of California. The primary election is being held on June 5, 2018.**

none but Harris have the party's office nod. In the meantime for California Democrats there is a three way donnybrook taking place between three credible candidates. State Senator Ed Hernandez has been running for some time, and is out of central casting for California Democrats. But also in the race are

two extremely wealthy candidates - Jeff Bleich and Eleni Kounalakis - both of whom will spend millions of dollars. Running as a Republican in California means that for Harris to win in November, he will have to do everything right, and still catch a favorable tailwind - a tough order in blue California. But thus far Harris is off to a good start, and clearly his efforts wooing the GOP, and his ability to convert an endorsement into an important message for him to take to Republican voters has earned him the FlashReport Winner Of The CAGOP Convention Award! ★

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# MARIJUANA IS NOT FOR ME







# Master of the Chorus

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Kendrick has programmed Dvorak’s Te Deum (Hymn of Thanksgiving), a work that he recorded with the SCSO and some of the Sacramento State students at the Liszt Academy in Budapest during their summer 2004 European Tour. Respighi’s Ancient Airs and Dances will showcase the SCSO Orchestra to round out the concert.

Kendrick feels strongly about having his choirs perform out in the community. For twenty-five years his three choirs performed in the beautiful acoustics of Sacred Heart Church in Sacramento. His December Procession of Carols is a tradition that we fervently hope Sacramento State will continue following Don’s retirement.

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“The most important thing is that we have music in our lives – period,” said Dr. Kendrick. “And we should bear in mind that we all have a voice.”

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# 2018 Water Spots Video Contest Winners Announced

Franklin High School, Will Rogers Middle School and Whitney High School Take Top Honors  
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School in Rio Linda (19 videos) and Brad Clark, Franklin High School in Elk Grove (14 videos).

The Water Spots Video Contest is sponsored by the Regional Water Authority and

local water providers. Now in its seventh year, the contest challenges students to create videos focused on a select water efficiency theme. Learn more about the Water Spots Video Contest, water-wise tips and information about free

water-efficiency services and rebates at BeWaterSmart.info. A full list of winners and all of the top scoring videos can be viewed on Be Water Smart’s YouTube channel at YouTube.com/BeWaterSmartinfo ★



**By County Supervisor  
Susan Peters**

Through the generosity of the American River Messenger, this column serves to provide an update about matters affecting the unincorporated community of Carmichael.

## Sherrif Community Meeting

The Sheriff’s Department holds regular community meetings to share information about trends in crime and recent activities. These sessions are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend.

The Fair Oaks meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 6 pm, at La Vista School, 4501 Bannister Road (North of Winding Way).

Becoming involved by participating in Neighborhood Watch, attending these meetings, and learning about recent criminal activities makes us all more cognizant about how to better secure

## FAIR OAKS COMMUNITY UPDATE

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### Free mother’s Day Concert

The 50-member Sacramento Concert Band will hold a free Mother’s Day Concert on Sunday, May 13, at 2:30 pm, at the Rio Americano High School Center for the Arts.

As part of the concert, a number of young performers will be featured including this year’s winner of the Sacramento Valley Symphonic Band Association scholarship, bassoonist Alexandra Buckman, and the Saturday Club award winner alto saxophonist Myles Taylor plus members of the Mission Avenue School Concert Band will perform, too.

Please join the Sacramento Concert Band in welcoming these concert stars of the future. The Rio Americano High School Center for the Arts is located at 4540 American River Drive. For more information, please visit sacramentoconcertband.net

### Family Fun at the County Fair

The 2018 Sacramento County Fair will be held May 24 -28 at Cal Expo. Activities include a carnival, food, barn animals, music, and shopping.

General Admission is only \$6. Children age 12 and under are admitted free.

For more information about hours, general admission entertainment plus tickets for the

### Alcohol Ban Keeps Parkway Family Friendly

If you are planning to enjoy the American River Parkway over the Memorial Day holiday weekend, there will be a complete ban on alcohol consumption and possession both on land and in the water between Hazel and Watt avenues (an exception exists for Ancil Hoffman Golf Course).

In past years summer holiday weekends had become major problems along the American River due to excessive alcohol consumption making the parkway less of a family friendly outing because of fights, public nudity, profanity and littering.

Besides Memorial Day weekend, the restriction is also applicable for the holiday weekends of Independence Day as well as Labor Day. In addition, the Department of Regional Parks can prohibit alcohol in the Parkway on any additional days between Memorial Day and Labor Day when such a ban is needed to maintain order to address excessive alcohol consumption encouraged by social media.

Susan Peters represents the Third District on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. She can be reached at susan-peters@saccounty.net. ★

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