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Toward No Place

Like Home Grant

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - No Place Like Home (NPLH) is a new State program that will provide counties with grants in 2018 to provide critically needed housing for chronically homeless individuals who are also struggling with mental illness. Sacramento County will

be applying for NPLH funding as an essential piece of our "housing first" approach to

As a first step toward pur-

"Permanent supportive housing options are critical to people experiencing homelessness and who are also in need of mental health services," said Patrick Kennedy, Sacramento County District 2 Supervisor and Governor Brown's appoin-

tee to the No Place Like Home Advisory Committee. "Securing these funds will be

a critical component of success in addressing the needs of this

vulnerable population in the

Paul Lake, Sacramento County's Deputy County Executive for Social Services, worked to ensure collaboration with key stakeholders when the

planning committees began to

"Broad representation from

advisory bodies, advocates and

cities was essential for ensur-

ing the appropriate people

were sitting at the table," Lake

said. "Collaboration is imper-

ative as we move forward to

successfully address issues

around homelessness in the

includes Sacramento County's

Director of Homeless Initiatives

as well as representatives from

the County's Departments of

Human Assistance and Health

and Human Services, the Mental

Health Services Act Steering

Committee and the City of

Additionally, the NPLH

Advisory Committee includes

Sacramento's Mayor's Office.

The NPLH Steering Committee

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meet in late 2016.

suing those funds Sacramento County will be working with a consultant to lay the groundwork for a plan that will align with No Place Like Home

reducing homelessness.

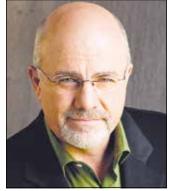
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The 2017 California Capital Airshow is proud to host the VFA-106 Gladiators and their "Super" Hornet Tactical Demonstration. Photo courtesy CCA.

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All the way from Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia, Strike Fighter Squadron 106 is proud to showcase the F/A-18 to audiences around the world. Airshows are the best place to see a Super Hornet in action. The Tactical Demonstration or "Tac Demo" team flies the F/A-18 as close to the "edge of the envelope" as safety and prudence allow. The routine highlights the Rhino's maneuverability and slow-speed handling characteristics and is designed to showcase the mobility, versatility, and power of the F/A-18 for the citizens who look to the Navy for the defense of freedom. From the high "G" minimum radius turn to

the slow speed "high-alpha" pass, the Demo flight puts the Rhino through its paces!

Each maneuver is meticulously rehearsed by Demo Team aircrew, first in the simulator, then in a series of qualification and practice flights. Demo aircrew are Fleet veterans, chosen for their abilities, knowledge, and experience. Throughout the show, adherence to procedure and the safety of observers are paramount. Although the maneuvers are dynamic, Demo team members adhere to guidelines established by VFA-106, the Navy, and the FAA to ensure

their safety and that of the local community. Larger and heavier than the Legacy Hornet, the F/A-18 Super Hornet represents the 21st Century's first truly multi-role fighter. Using the lessons learned from the original Hornet, the "Rhino" brings advances in avionics, weapons capabilities, radar and sensors, and stealth technology. The Rhino not only carries combat artillery but also can provide valuable reconnaissance and air-to-air refueling support to the

After entering service with the Fleet, the Rhino quickly found itself in combat in the skies over Afghanistan and Iraq. Its increased fuel and ordnance carriage make the Rhino an asset to American combat operations around the world. With the capability for future growth in weapons and on-board systems, the Rhino will remain a credible strike-fighter for years to come.

Designed and initially produced by McDonnell Douglas, the Super Hornet first flew in 1995. Full-rate production began in September 1997, after the merger of McDonnell Douglas and Boeing the previous month. The Super Hornet entered service with the United States Navy in 1999, replacing the Grumman F-14 Tomcat, which was retired in 2006; the Super Hornet serves alongside the original Hornet. The Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), which has operated the F/A-18A as its main fighter since 1984, ordered the F/A-18F in 2007 to replace its aging F-111C fleet. RAAF Super Hornets entered service in December 2010. Source: CCA

the County's Homeless Services

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Cluck N' Crow Your Best!

FAIR OAKS, CA (MPG) - It is that time of year again for some great food and long belly laughs at the annual Chicken Festival. If you haven't heard it before, be sure to be there by high noon for the Cluck N' Crow Contest. Sometimes it is just plain fun to watch your neighbors make complete fools of themselves in front of others as they try to imitate animals.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th. The festival begins with a pancake breakfast from 8:00 am to 10:30 am. The cost is only \$6. Throughout the day the festival offers some of the best food trucks and food

vendors in the region. Come hungry, bring cash. The food has always been good.

There are dozens of local crafts booths with quality items available for sale. Bring your own bag and start the Christmas shopping early, or just buy some really neat stuff all for yourself.

Do you enjoy a good brew once in a while? The craft brew tasting begins at 11:30 am and serves until 5:30 pm. Tastes are only \$3 each.

Live entertainment includes Jax Hammer, Cherry Bomb and FBI.

Admission to the event and parking is free. There's lots of shade and cool stuff to see.

The Chicken Festival is presented by Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District. It is sponsored by SMUD and Big Green Egg. Find out more at www.FairOaksPark.org.





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Leading the Leaders: DOVIA Sacramento Supports Non-Profit Volunteer Managers

Story and photos by Jacqueline Fox

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- With few exceptions, among the most important individuals behind any successful nonprofit organization, including its return on investment, are its volunteers. But how do you find them, keep them motivated and give them the tools to they need to effectively make an impact?

Enter DOVIA, or Directors of Volunteers in Agencies, which has chapters across the country, including Sacramento. The Sacramento Chapter is currently celebrating 40 years of service, providing some 100 volunteer managers from a vast range of non-profit agencies, most of whom are members, with the support they need to successfully build and serve their core of volunteers.

DOVIA workshops and trainings offer ideas for learning how to motivate volunteers, as well as avenues for members to connect with other volunteer leadership professionals and collaborate and exchange ideas.

Rachele Doty, is the volunteer coordinator for First Call Hospice in Citrus Heights. She also serves on the board of directors as vice chair for DOVIA, Sacramento. She views the organization as an indispensable resource, where, through workshops, trainings, networking and annual conferences, she can access an evolving and valuable exchange of information on relevant issues facing professional volunteer managers, no matter the size or scope of their agency's mission.

"I have just on-boarded 20 new volunteers at First Call Hospice, so I have been utilizing every tool and workshop



DOVIA members and presenters at the "Great Presentations" workshop held Aug. 10 at Bayside Church in Midtown, Sacramento.

or training I have under my belt through my membership with and my role on the board of DOVIA," said Doty. "The agency is absolutely critical for anyone who is working with volunteers. You get the support you need to promote your own growth but also the growth and development of your volunteers, whether you're part of an executive team or some other administrative department."

Dues for membership to DOVIA are \$55 for one year for those who are signing up as an employee of a non-profit agency, and that fee allows for the bundling of two employees from the same agency. For individual memberships, the annual fee is \$30.00, all nominal fees for access to support for trainings

that often non-profits themselves simply don't have the resources to provide, despite their dependence on volunteers.

Lynne Moore is a member support specialist with the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California Council, one of 112 councils in the nation. She and several colleagues from her agency recently attended a DOVIA workshop at Bayside Church in midtown, Sacramento focused on delivering effective presentations to volunteers. For her, the workshops and DOVIA membership provide unsurpassed support and education needed to oversee the some 300 volunteers that support her council.

"I get so much from my membership," said Moore. "I have a lot of moving parts in my job and a lot of changing faces, so it's critical that I keep up with new trends in recruitment and retention of volunteers. We depend so much on our volunteers and they deserve the best leadership available to them."

The biggest challenge many non-profit organizations face with respect to volunteers, says Doty, is finding them.

"That's an ongoing battle for everyone in the capacity of recruitment," Doty said. "One of the things we focus on with our workshops and trainings is how to utilize all of the available tools out there to reach potential, new volunteers. That includes social media apps, creating events to attract volunteers and how to effectively get the message out to volunteers in the community about your organization and its mission."

Meredith Holkeboer is the Volunteer Services Assistant/
Pet Therapy Coordinator at Shriners Hospitals for Children, Sacramento. To say she's landed her dream job would be an understatement. She also finds her membership with DOVIA as invaluable. It has provided her with the tools to network with other volunteer coordinators and share ideas for how to keep volunteers engaged and impassioned about their work.

"The unpaid volunteers that support us are critical to our mission, so I am always on the search for new tips and ideas for how to work more effectively with our volunteers at Shriners," Holkeboer said. "I get a lot out of my membership. I learn new things every time I attend a workshop or a conference and I am reminded that I'm a part of a unique group of leaders out there who are overseeing people who make a choice whether to keep showing up and helping out."

DOVIA will cap its 40th year with participation at the

upcoming annual conference on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Shriners Hospital. The AL!VE Hybrid Conference: Take the Leap | Embrace Change, will feature presentations for DOVIA members by four internationally renowned volunteer leaders with workshops centered on are open to both members and non-members. Next year, the chapter will be taking a deep dive into the world of corporate giving, offering members indepth trainings centered on how to make and maintain strong relationships with corporate giving managers who oversee employee volunteer pools in the community.

Presentations are planned by the heads of corporate giving departments from various companies who will provide DOVIA members with insights on how to recruit from their employee base and what their companies look for when determining which non-profits to support—something that can shift from year to year, depending on the nature of the economy and community needs.

"We are very excited about our plans for working with corporate giving representatives next year," said Doty. "Corporate support is very important to every non-profit, regardless of the size or what their particular mission is, so that is one huge part of what we'll be focusing on next year."

Other areas of focus for upcoming workshops will include stress management, supporting volunteer managers with tips and tricks of the trade to keep their volunteers from

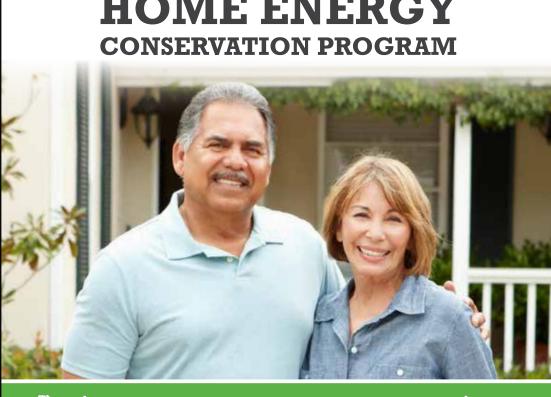


(L-R) Mariann Eitzman, volunteer coordinator, Bayside Church, Roseville, Rachele Doty, volunteer coordinator for First Call Hospice and vice chair, DOVIA, Sacramento, and Meredith Holkeboer, Volunteer Services Assistant/Pet Therapy Coordinator at Shriners Hospitals for Children, Sacramento, at a recent workshop lead by Eitzman on giving presentations.

navigating organizational and professional changes.

DOVIA, Sacramento offers two, two-day trainings each year as a part of its membership focus, as well as monthly workshops, speaker events and other educational sessions. These

overpowering or, in some cases, de-railing the mission. And, just as importantly, training support will provide members with ideas for keeping their sanity when volunteers drop off, a phenomenon that, unfortunately, "goes hand-in-hand with our profession," Doty said.



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Manager, Veterans' Services Officer, and Behavioral Health Director as well as representatives from Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Advisory Boards, the Homeless Continuum of Care Advisory Board, the Sacramento Housing Alliance, and the Steinberg Institute, among others.

Members on the Program Development Work Group include representatives from the Cities of Folsom, Elk

Grove, Citrus Heights, Galt and Sacramento.

NPLH funding is vital for the County because in order to fund NPLH, the State will be withholding the County's Mental Health Services Act growth revenues, which will create shortfalls in funding mental health programs.

However, through prudent use of reserves, the County will continue to sustain those programs while pursuing new opportunities the NPLH grant will provide to address chronic homelessness in the Sacramento region.

The permanent housing would be linked to on- or off-site flexible, voluntary and individualized services to retain housing, improve health, and live and work in the community.

The county's next step is submitting the grant application, due September 30. Project funding is anticipated to begin in 2018.

Source: Sacramento County

Local United Way Builds Social Services with IBM Donations

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - United Way California Capital Region has received a SafetyNet technology grant from IBM valued at \$300,000 that will help improve services to the people of the greater Sacramento area. The local United Way was one of only a handful of organizations selected in 2017 by IBM for its new SafetyNet grant program. IBM SafetyNet provides customizable software, pro bono consulting and training services, and hosting in the digital cloud to store information securely, conveniently and reliably.

"As a United Way board member, I know the value that donors place on demonstrable outcomes in choosing where to give. SafetyNet is a foundational tool for evaluating the progress of United Way's work toward achieving desired outcomes," said Kim Hewitt, IBM executive in Sacramento. "As an IBMer, I am proud that we are making assets such as SafetyNet available to support the essential work of nonprofits in the communities where we live and work."

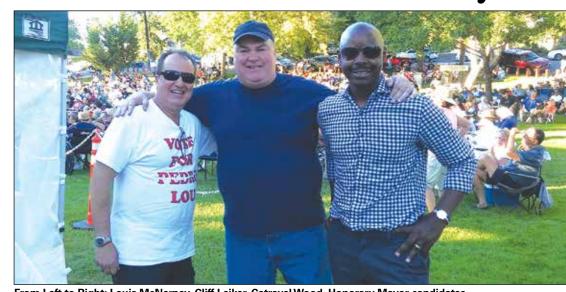
United Way California Capital Region will use

IBM SafetyNet to measure outcomes of the Square One Project, United Way's 20-year promise to significantly increase the number of local students who graduate from high school ready for success in college and beyond. Through nine decades of work and research across Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento, Placer and Yolo counties, the local United Way believes ending poverty starts in school and is working to ensure kids meet important milestones to prepare for success in college or career. To learn more or make a donation: www.yourlocalunitedway.

IBM SafetyNet is helping nonprofits document and evaluate the success of their programs more quickly and effectively – a prerequisite for receiving essential funding from the public and private sectors. Collecting and analyzing client, program and funding contract data can be a time-consuming and arduous task for many organizations. To learn more about IBM SafetyNet: www.ibmsafetynet.org.

Source: Kristin Thébaud Communications

What? Fair Oaks has a Mayor?!



From Left to Right: Louis McNerney, Cliff Leiker, Catrayel Wood, Honorary Mayor candidates

FAIR OAKS, CA (MPG)- Did you know that Fair Oaks has a Mayor? An Honorary Mayor, that is! Way back in 1979, the Fair Oaks Chamber of Commerce created a fantastic annual fundraising program designed to give back to our community. And give back it has! Over \$360,000 has been raised so far!!

Candidates for our 39 th Honorary Mayor are: Cliff Leiker, CJL Tax & Accounting, for Never A Victim, a nonprofit offering self-defense training for at-risk women and children; Louis McNerney, The Entrepreneur's Source, for Northridge Elementary School; and Catrayel Wood, Urban Orchards, for Habitat

for Humanity. These three join a long list of FO Chamber Members who've carried the torch for beneficiaries such as FO Theatre Festival, FO Foundation for Leisure & the Arts, Bella Vista and Del Campo High Schools, Orangevale Food Bank and Phoenix Park, to name several. Recent past Honorary Mayors include Bob Clouse and Karyn BarthMoore and Karyn holds the title of biggest fundraiser in the history of the program!

Honorary Mayor #38, Rachel Griffith, Award-Winning Chef/ Owner of PolkaDot Dinners, has had a fun-filled year of ceremonial duties and has represented Fair Oaks with an abundance of

enthusiasm and flair! Number 39 has BIG shoes to fill! Who will it be? It's a BIG secret until the envelope is opened at the must-attend Honorary Mayor Reception on September 14 th.

Deadline to vote (open your wallet) is Sept. 11 th! You can "vote" on-line at the FO Chamber website or contact the candidates directly. Please register for the Reception by Sept. 13 th at www.fairoakschamber.com or call 967-2903. Thursday, Sept. 14 th, North Ridge Country Club, from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door.

Ambassador Chair, Fair Oaks Chamber of Commerce

Dot Boyd

Orangevale Food Bank Holding Fundraiser

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who are involved the richer the experience is for everyone. Together we use our gifts to improve lives," Orangevale Fair Oaks and surrounding for Sponsorships is September Food Bank Director Tom Carden said.

dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Festivities will include live music, a catered dinner, a silent auction, art display, a raffle and a no-host bar.

The Orangevale Food Bank table of 10. Sponsorship opporassists hundreds of families each month in the Orangevale, areas. All proceeds will go to the Orangevale Food Bank in Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and their mission to provide food, resources and hope to families

> Tickets are available now. Dinner, Auction and Art. Ticket prices are \$35 for an individual or \$300 for a reserved

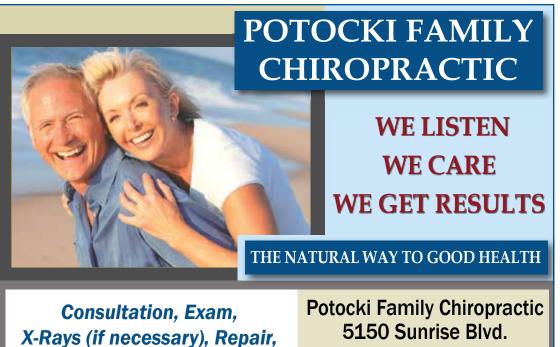
tunities are available, beginning at \$500 up to \$2,500. Deadline 21st and September 22nd. Visit https://orangevalefoodbank. eventbrite.com for tickets and additional information on the Neighbors Helping Neighbors

To learn more about the Orangevale Food Bank and their mission, their website is http:// www.orangevalefoodbank.org.

For event questions regarding sponsorship, silent auction, raffle or art display Lisa@alleventsplus. net or call 916.934.2207.

additional questions, please contact info@orangevalefoodbank.org The Orangevale Food Bank Tax ID is 47-3548647.

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Our Future is Bright



Commentary by Senator Ted Gaines

To watch the news is to imagine a politically-obsessed America pulling apart at the seams, with opponents mobbing up and attacking each other at every turn and the two parties and their talking head proxies endlessly screaming at each other about the real meaning of President Trump's tweets. It's a phony picture. The essence of this country isn't government at all and you might never see it on the news. It's everyday people hardworking people of every creed and age, living their lives the best they can regardless of what the government is doing who make this state and nation what they are. It's those people who make me believe that California's future is bright.

Recently that belief was driven home to me when I met three very different groups of people in the North State. I came away inspired by their stories.

North State Ranchers have lived off this land for more than a century and have experienced every up and down imaginable, but they've persevered. Now, as the dry creek beds and barren mountains of years past have disappeared, they look forward to getting more water and getting their businesses back on

Illegal marijuana cultivation is stealing rancher water and

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21. *Olympic massacre

23. Weary traveler's

30. Buddhist doctrine

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37. "Hey ... over here! 39. Result of pitcher's dominance 40. *Islamic Revolution

41. Romanov rulers 43. Deity, in Sanskrit 44. Singular of loci 46. Iranian coin

47. The sun, e.g. 48. Brain teaser

55. Short for detective 57. *First U.S. space station 60. *Gregory Peck horror film

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6. Auctioneer's final word

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8. Manhattan Project invention

3. Hawaiian tuber

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polluting land with indiscriminate pesticide abuse, making it harder for legitimate ranchers to thrive and breaking their hearts at the same time. These men and women are the original conservationists. It's not just words with them; they depend on clean water and healthy soils for their livelihoods. It's why they have such a deep connection to the land and are such careful stewards of their property. I know that a solid ranching economy in the north state will secure these lands for generations.

Despite these new challenges, the ranchers were ready to fight for their futures in California, and just asked me to try to get government out of their way. They were eager to roll their sleeves up and get to work! They weren't looking for government handouts or help, just freedom, so they could continue the agricultural legacy their ancestors built.

In Placerville, I visited with the Executive Director of the privately-supported and volunteer-driven Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). CASA recruits and trains people from the community to serve as advocates for abused or severely neglected children as they seek justice in our court system.

The CASA advocates usually take one case at a time and build a relationship with the child they are representing. They bond with the child, learn about the child's special, individual circumstances, and they use that knowledge to report to the judges overseeing these cases, so they can make informed, compassionate decisions about the most helpful services and support for each of these children.

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But my favorite visit, one that brings a smile to my face even now as I think of it, was with 11-year old Preston Sharp, the Flag Planter. Starting in 2015, this young man started placing small flags on the graves of local veterans in Redding to honor their service. Since then, Preston has planted an amazing 28,000 flags on gravesites from Redding to Sacramento, and he's branching out to Reno and wherever else his commitment takes him. I'm proud to know such a young patriot who shows such great empathy for veterans

and their families. I wanted to recognize Preston, and gave him an award from my office to honor his efforts. He appreciated it! But in the end, he said he was not acting to get an award from the government, but because he wanted to give veterans the respect they had earned. He is a fine young man with the right priorities.

These three stories seem unrelated but they aren't. They are all, in their way, stitching together a unified state - one child, one ranch, one flag at a time. Like a million little streams feeding into one mighty river, these Californians and others around the state are achieving on their own, with their individual accomplishments all pouring into a single California, robust and full of hope. Sacramento can't mandate these acts, only get in the way.

Politicians come and go, and parties come into and fade out of power all the time. But the California spirit and the talents and desires of the builders, the achievers, the doers, is forever.

Our future is bright.

Senator Ted Gaines represents the 1st Senate District, which includes all or parts of Alpine, El Dorado, Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, Shasta, Sierra and Siskivou counties.

Turn this into a blessing!

Dear Dave,

We're following your plan, and we're in the middle of paying off all our debts except for the house. My wife just learned she'll be losing her job at the end of the year. She's a project manager for a software company in Seattle, and she will be receiving a severance package if she works until year's end. We were curious as to how you think we should handle the next few months.

- Kevin

Dear Kevin,

I know you guys are scared right now, but from what you've told me this could be the kind of thing that turns into a blessing. First, she should already be looking for another job to start right after her current employment ends. That way, any severance pay will turn into a signing bonus of sorts.

I know there are always question marks and uncertainties when you're job hunting, but this lady is a software project manager in Seattle, Washington. You're not in the middle of a cornfield, dude. If she can't find something in the next four-tofive months, there's some other issue you're not telling me about.

Dave Says

Now, in the very unlikely event she doesn't land another gig, you guys are going to have to put Baby Step 2 on hold for a while, and cut your spending down to the bare necessities until something does come along. But your lady has a super-employable skill set. If she gets out there and really busts it looking for another job, I think you two are going to land on your feet and in even better shape than before!

—Dave

Time to leave

Dear Dave,

My brother-in-law moved in with us several months ago. He's 32, and he doesn't have a job or contribute anything in terms of helping around the house or with bills. I think he needs to move out, but my wife is hesitant to say anything. She complains about the situation to me, but she knows her family will be upset if we do anything. How can we handle this?

- Chuck

Dear Chuck, Responsible adults don't behave like bums, and I don't care what the rest of the family thinks. This issue is between you and your wife. You two are the only ones dealing with this, so it's easy for others to chime in about what should happen.

You shouldn't just kick the guy out, but you do need to get busy formulating a plan that will allow him to get back on his feet. Have a gentle talk with him about the situation and his future, and tell him things aren't going to continue on the same path. Let him know he must have a job within 30 days, and 30 days after that he has to move into his own place. Write it down on the calendar, if it will help, but make sure he understands why you're doing this and the date he must move out.

I know these things can be difficult, but sometimes you've got to take the bull by the horns and make something happen. It's what's best for him - and both of you – in the long run.

—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 12 million listeners each week on 575 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

Tax Pros Warned of New Scam to Steal Their Passwords

By David A. Tucker, IRS Media

The Internal Revenue Service, state tax agencies and the tax industry recently warned tax professionals to be alert to a new phishing email scam impersonating tax software providers and attempting to steal usernames and passwords.

This sophisticated scam yet again displays cybercriminals' tax savvy and underscores the need for tax professionals to take strong security measures to protect their clients and protect their business. This is the time of year when many software providers issue software upgrades and when tax professionals are working to meet the Oct. 15deadline for extension filers.

These types of phishing scams are why the IRS, state tax agencies and the tax industry, acting as the Security Summit, launched the 10-week Don't Take the Bait campaign currently underway. This awareness effort highlights the many tactics

of cybercriminals as well as the steps tax professionals can take to protect their clients and themselves.

This latest scam email variation comes with a subject line of "Software Support Update" and highlights an "Important Software System Upgrade." It thanks recipients for continuing to trust the software provider to serve their tax preparation needs and mimics the software providers' email templates.

The e-mail informs the recipients that due to a recent software upgrade, the preparer must revalidate their login credentials. It provides a link to a fictitious website that mirrors the software provider's actual login page.

Instead of upgrading software, the tax professionals are providing their information to cybercriminals who use the stolen credentials to access the preparers' accounts and to steal client information.

The Security Summit reminds tax professionals that software providers do not embed links into emails asking them to validate passwords. Also, tax professionals and taxpayers should never open a link or an attachment from a suspicious email.

Tax professionals can review additional tips to protect clients and themselves at Protect Your Clients, Protect Yourself on IRS.gov.

Tax professionals who receive emails purportedly from their tax software providers seeking login credentials should send those scam emails to their tax software

For Windows users, follow this process to help the investigation of these scam emails:

- 1.Use "Save As" to save the scam. Under "save as type" in the drop-down menu, select "plain text" and save to the desktop. Do not click on any
- 2. Open a new email and attach this saved email as a file.
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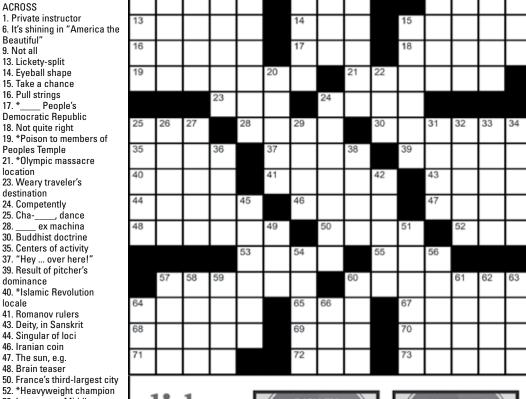
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By Marlys Johnsen Norris, **Christian Author**

Many many people have their own idea about who God is! Actually their god is one made up using their own particular value system of right and wrong. They may claim to pray or even worship "it" but "it" is not the God who created heaven and earth, including everything in it, you and I! The Word of God proves this! However isn't their god also a

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god spelled with a small g?

God IS so very much more! He is the great I AM! He is Love! He is a merciful God! He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow and He never changes. He is our Creator/ Deliverer/ Healer and a Sovereign God who loves us completely and unconditionally..

A god of your own making is not good enough for any of us - but it is good that you recognize you do need the One true God. It is a beginning and when one does truly invites the God of the Bible into their heart and life, they will be amazed at the many ways He shows His perfect love just for them. It is only then His very Spirit comes to reside in ones heart and life, He forgives and promises never to leave or forsake you. He is

a healer, deliverer, transforming power that empowers and blesses your life in many many ways for many years!

To KNOW and LOVE God is an exciting adventure and He is the only One who can take you on the greatest adventure of your life. He EMPOWERS ones life as they read His Holy Book (Bible) of instruction and then to, SEEK HIS PERFECT WILL, live and do it - giving a testimony to bless others lives as well. (Matthew 6:33)

Marlys Johnsen Norris Christian Author of 6 Books God Moves Mountains, It Was A Miracle!

By Pastor Ray Dare

Your time is God's gift. You don't earn the time you have and what you've got right now. It's all a gift. You wouldn't have any time if God didn't give it to you. What do you do with a gift? Enjoy it. God wants you to enjoy your life not just endure it.

Appreciate all the time you have. Live each moment with an attitude of gratitude. "Be grateful for every year you live." On your birthday, are you grateful for every new

Every morning, God deposits 86,400 seconds into a daily time account. You get to choose how you use it. But if you don't use it, you lose it. You don't get it again. It is a gift to be used for good and to be enjoyed. Philippians 4:11 says, "I've learned, in whatever state I'm in, to be

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content." This is Paul talking. We know he was a southerner. He says, "I thank God for you all..." But we know he was not a Californian because he says "I've learned, in whatever state I'm in, to be content." He could not have been a Californian!

The secret of happiness is the ability to accept life as it comes to you, not always be longing for something else. Accept life and enjoy life as God gives it to you, as it comes to you. Paul says, "I've learned to

be content". Contentment is something you learn. It doesn't come natural. I'm not naturally content and neither are you. We're always wanting something else. We need to learn to be content. The Bible says, one day, at the judgement when we stand before God to give an account of our life, God is going to evaluate you on how contented you were with the times He gave you. God is not going to ask for your list of accomplishments. But He's going to say, "Did you enjoy the life I gave you? Were you

content with the blessings I did give you or were you always comparing yourself to somebody else? Were you always complaining that you didn't have enough time or money or whatever? Were you always griping and ungrateful, taking what I had given you for granted? Or did you learn to be content?'

I have just enough time to do God's will. I have just enough time to do what God wants me to do with my life -- no more, no less. What God has planned for your life, He has given you the exact amount of time for that. If you say, "I don't have enough time", it means a) you're doing something that God never intended for you to do, or b) you're doing the right thing in the wrong way. You have just enough time to do God's will. Enjoy the gift time God has given you by learning to be content.

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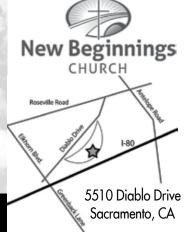


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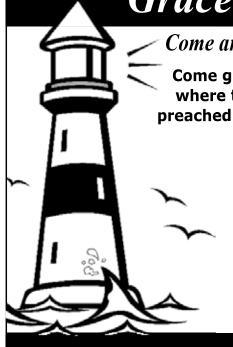


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with Mary Jane Popp

you have the home court advantage. Next is **FIGHT FAIR**. Conflict in a relationship is inevitable. How this conflict is handled often determines whether or not a relationship lasts or goes down in flames. All of us have said things we regret. When we get hurt, angered, triggered or scared, we are most likely to lash out. The goal is to learn to recognize those moments and have the impulse control to stop yourself so you can turn a difficult moment into a productive discussion, instead of escalating it. Then **NEGOTIATE**. Once we get past the honeymoon stage of a relationship, we move into the negotiation stage. This usually occurs sometime between six and eighteen months. We start to let go of the fantasy person with whom we've fallen in love and begin to see who our partner really is. While this awakening may be jolting, it is not unhealthy...in fact, it is necessary for a couple, in order to forge a mature, emotionally intimate, connected relationship. And WORK THROUGH YOUR CHILDHOOD. The single most important, poignant, and dramatic group session Dr. Mann does every year with her Couples Therapy clients is what she calls the

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You can! Let the New Career Economy be your catalyst. This is your chance to revisit those dreams you may have set aside at some point in the past. Even if you still have the same personal and family goals you originally set out with, who says you can't alter the journey to get you there? Remember, nothing is set in stone—you can begin to transform your future today.

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Capitol Pops and more at Music Festival

By Linda Glover

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- The Capitol Pops Concert Band continues its landmark 20th anniversary season with a free, public concert from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 5811 Walnut Ave., in Orangevale.

The band's performance is part of the church's second "Songs of September Music Festival" event, which will be held outdoors on the church grounds, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Also scheduled to perform is the RC Swing Dance Band out of Rancho Cordova. The 17-piece swing band performs all the big band and swing standards, great dance music for multiple generations. RC Swing's concert is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

From 6 to 7 p.m., festival attendees will be entertained

by the Guemmer & Myers Trio. Composed of Scott Guemmer, pastor of Christ the King Lutheran Church; Jenny Guemmer and Owen Myers, the trio specializes in inspirational, passionate music.

Under the baton of Director Emeritus Jerry Lopes, the CPCB performance will include some of the band's traditional American favorites that have entertained Northern California audiences for nearly 20 years.

There is no admission charge to attend the event. Voluntary donations will be accepted on-site by both the CPCB and Christ the King Lutheran Church.

Hot dogs, chips and beverages will be available for purchase. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the show on the church green adjacent to CTK's patio area.

Started in 1997, the CPCB has performed a diverse portfolio of high-quality, well-prepared music heard by thousands of concertgoers throughout Northern California. The Citrus Heights-based, self-supporting, nonprofit community band of about 60 musicians represents a wide cross-section of the Sacramento area. Christ the King Lutheran Church is the band's rehearsal

For more information on the Capitol Pops, visit www.capitolpops.org or its Facebook page. The Guemmer & Myers Trio website is http://guemmerandmyers.weebly.com. The RC Swing Dance Band

website is www.rcswing.com. More details on the Sept. 9 event can be obtained at www. christthekingov.com, on the church's Facebook page or by

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Make It Fun and It Will Get Done! The Secret to Being Organized Pam Young's Corner

Let's Try to Be More Tolerant

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A few years ago my son Michael and his wife Meredith were invited by the FOX network to go to the Super Bowl and Terry and I were invited to babysit our two grandchildren Jack, age eight, and Brooklyn, age eleven. I have such fun with these two!

The first night we were with them, when it was bedtime they both wanted me to tell them a bedtime story. Since they slept in separate rooms I sat in the hallway with the light on so they could both see me if they sat up and it was easy for them to hear me. I love to make up bedtime stories because I never know what I'm going to say myself. I guess I should say Nelly (my inner child) loves to hear my stories or maybe she's the one who makes them up? Whatever, I love

Here's the story I told that night:

Rabbit Ears, Elephants, and Donkeys

Once upon a time there was a wonderful family that was happy and healthy. There was a mom and a dad and a boy, eleven and a girl eight. (I reversed the ages for the story so the kids wouldn't think this story was about them.) The family lived way out in the country and the mom homeschooled the two children (neither of them knew what that was). There was one small, genetic problem with the family; they were born with bunny

ears. Beautiful, long soft bunny ears. The parents raised the children to be thankful for their ears. They showed them pictures of human ears and of course their ears were much better looking because human ears are just plain ugly!

One day the parents told the children that Mom was going to have to go to work and she would no longer be able to home school them and they would have to go to public school. They explained to the children that when they got in school there probably would be some children who would be mean and tease them about their bunny ears, but that they should just ignore them.

Sure enough, on the first day of school, the boy was out on the playground and a nasty, mean girl came up to him and said, "Hey rabbit ears, want a carrot?" The boy ignored the wicked girl, but she wouldn't relent. "Hey, can't you hear with those big ears or are you just stupid?" She was just one of those people who is intolerant of people's differences.

At this point in my story, Jack, my sweet eight-year-old love, said, "Was she a republican?"

Now I was already sitting on the floor so I didn't have far to fall in my hysterics! I laughed till I couldn't breathe and then I said, "Jackie, did you know I'm a republican?" Both children sat up in bed and stared at me as if I'd said, "Did you know I'm a witch and I'm

going to eat you alive?"

When their liberal parents came home, I forgot to tell them about the incident, but a few weeks later I was on the phone with Michael and remembered to tell him what happened. He laughed and said, "You know Jack came to me a few days after you guys left and said, 'Dad, did you know Gramma's a republican?' I told him I did."

Then I said, "Michael, you know it might just be the right time to explain to the children that we need to respect each other's differences. You'd have thought I'd confessed to murder with the shocked reaction I received." It was quiet on the phone.

I love America! I am a republican and some of my best friends are democrats. My husband is a democrat and our votes probably cancel each other out, but that's what makes this country great! We can never go too far left or right. If you are a democrat, be nice to a republican today. If you are a republican, be nice to a democrat today. That's all I'm ever going to say about politics.

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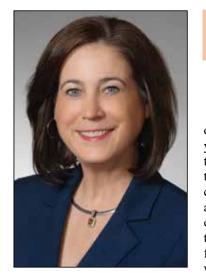
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By County Supervisor Sue Frost

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

If someone were to offer to give you a modest down payment on a car that you otherwise couldn't afford, but left you the burden of paying expensive monthly loan payments, repairs, insurance, registration, gas, and all other ongoing expenses, would you consider that car to be "free?" I wouldn't, and I suspect most readers of the American River Messenger wouldn't either, because you would now be obligated to pay for something that you cannot afford. Yet that is exactly what the Sacramento Bee is claiming when they suggest that Sacramento County has "ignored millions in free money for homelessness."

To fill you in on the backstory, there is a federal grant that local municipalities can apply for called "Whole Person Care," which would fund a program designed to help move the homeless people who use emergency rooms the most into more appropriate facilities for treatment. Sacramento City wanted to partner with Sacramento County to accept the money and jointly run a program. Sounds great, right?

Unfortunately, accepting this money doesn't make sense for several reasons.

Orangevale Community Update

Free Money Doesn't Exist

First, this money isn't for ongoing funding, it's for a three year program - and after that three years is up we will be left to fund ourselves a program that costs \$64 million dollars annually. We would then need to either boot the homeless back to overcrowded hospitals, cut funding from other countywide services like police and roads, or raise taxes. None of those options are particularly attractive.

Second, the money would need to be used in a way that isn't very helpful to Sacramento County. This is because the money doesn't allow the spending on the two things we need most to help solve this problem, which are mental health services and housing. We don't need money to more efficientlyconnect the homeless with services, because we simply don't have enough services to connect them with (as can be witnessed by looking at the huge waitlists we currently have).

And last, in order to get the money Sacramento County would have to match the federal funds at a time when we have virtually no reserves. There is a significant cost associated with participating in this program, in addition to the fact that if we couldn't demonstrate improvements in certain health outcomes, the federal portion of the money could be withheld.

In the end, Sacramento County decided to not apply for the "free money", and I am in complete support of that decision.

Instead of risking our money on this program, Sacramento County has focused its time and resources on programs that will offer more of what the homeless actually need. To help mental health we are investing in three new mental health crisis centers, opening a mental health urgent care center that can service 300-400 people, and increasing capacity at the Mental Health Treatment Center. And to help the housing problem we are creating a 24-hour homeless shelter to house 75 people each night, redesigning the family shelter system to provide housing for 33 families each night, and providing a shelter to high-risk families who cannot be diverted to permanent housing immediately while we assist them to find

I recognize that these programs are not going to eliminate homelessness, because to be honest, we could probably throw hundreds of millions at this problem and still not eliminate homelessness (San Francisco spent \$275 million on homelessness last year, and their problem is only getting worse). But our programs are a good step forward to address our immediate needs while also refraining from spending outrageously. There are roughly 2,000 unsheltered homeless on any given night in Sacramento County, and 1,000 churches – perhaps a good, free solution would be to proactively help engage the faith community as part of the solution and build volunteer support.

Finally, I want to invite everyone to my next Orangevale community meeting on October 6 th at 7:30am at Annie's Breakfast & Steaks (8800) Greenback Lane). It will be an opportunity for you to get an update from me, and to ask me any questions you may have. Thank you for reading – and as always, if you want to contact me, call me at 916-874-5491 or e-mail me at SupervisorFrost@ saccounty.net.

Sue Frost represents the 4th District, which includes all or part of the communities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, Orangevale, Antelope, Rio Linda, Elverta, Gold River, Rancho Murieta, North Highlands, Carmichael, Foothill Farms, and Fair Oaks.★

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